



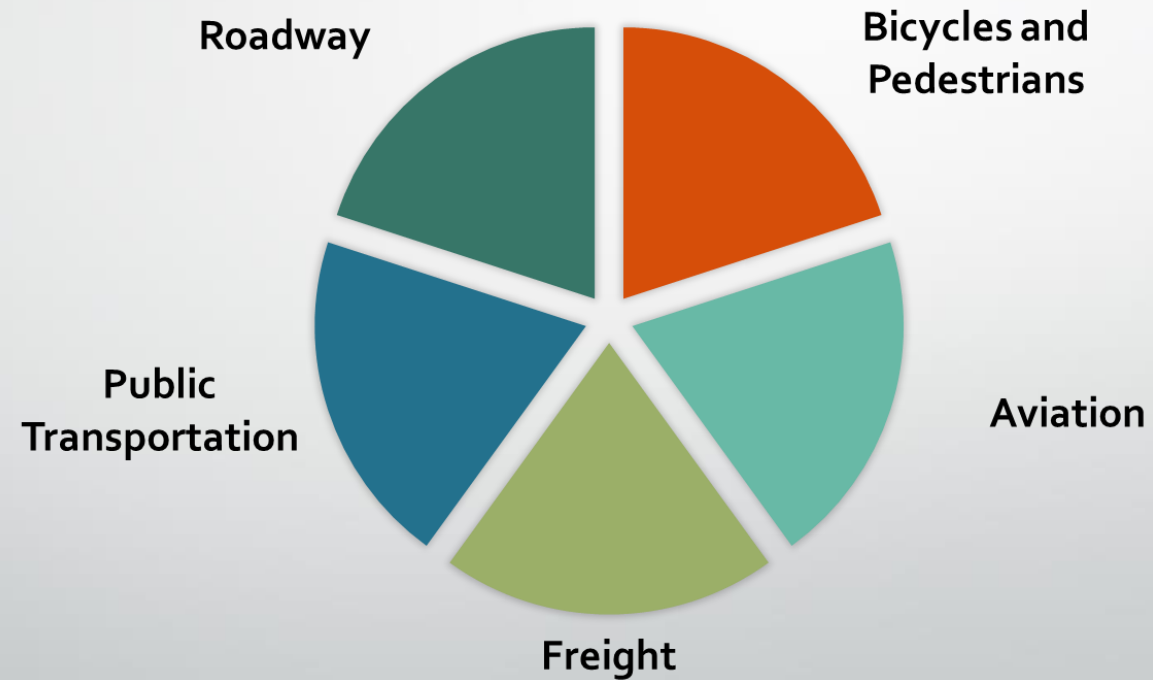
Fiscal Year 2021 Public Transportation Funding: Programs of Projects

Public Meeting

June 2021

Public Transportation is...

Part of a comprehensive transportation system



Investing in Public Transportation



Has a positive economic impact within communities

- Every \$1 invested in public transportation generates \$5 in economic returns
- Every \$1 billion invested in public transportation supports and creates approximately 50,000 jobs



Reduces roadway congestion and improves travel safety measures

- Communities that invest in public transit reduce the nation's carbon emissions by 63 million metric tons annually
- Traveling by public transportation is 10 times safer per mile than traveling by automobile

Public Transportation Services in the Region

Fixed Route



- Vehicle operates along a prescribed route according to a fixed schedule
- Typically implemented in areas with high transit demand

Commuter Bus



- A variation of fixed route, primarily connects outlying areas to a central city/area
- Typically operates in one direction during peak periods

Demand Response



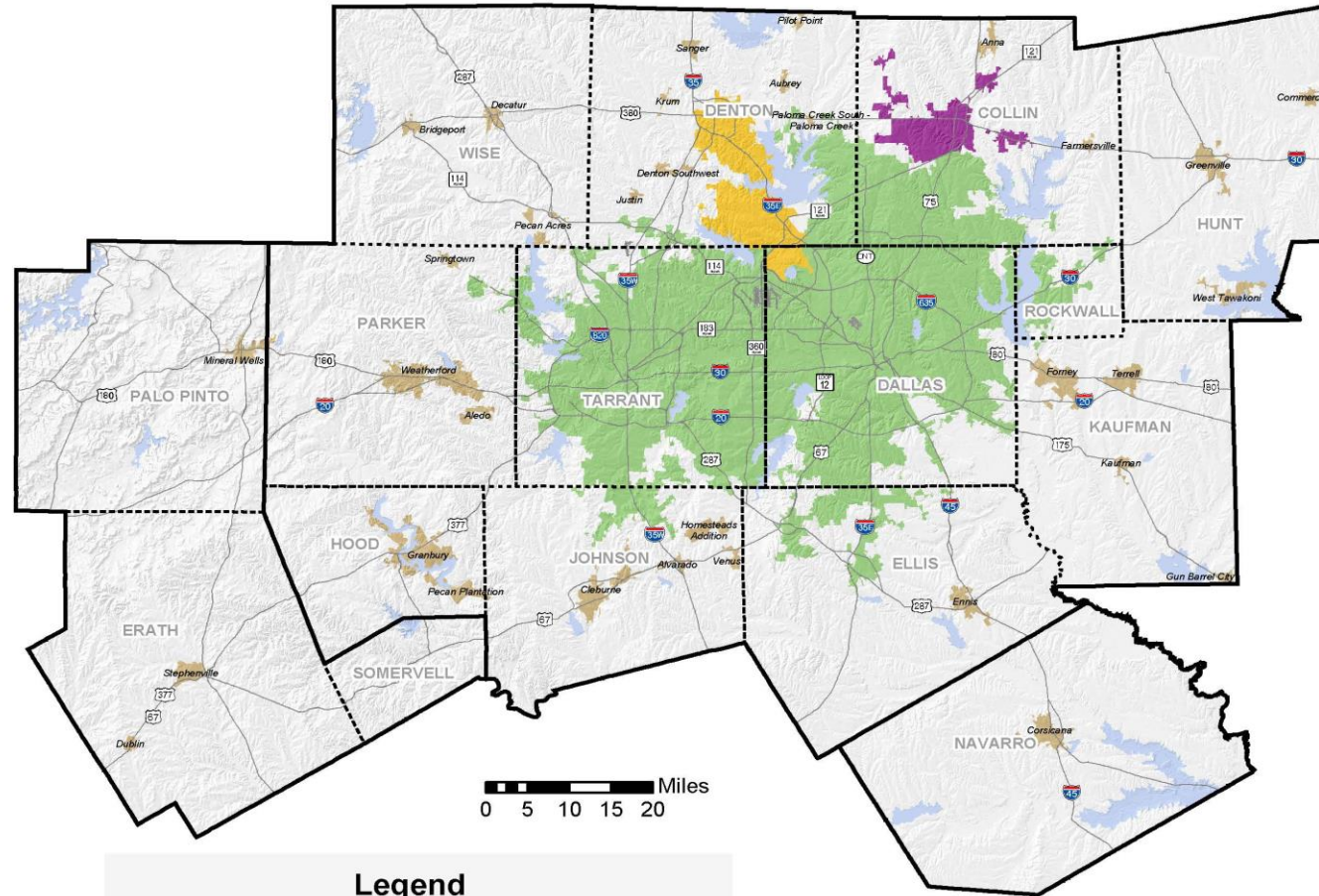
- Shared-ride service that uses smaller vehicles to provide flexible curb-to-curb service
- Typically used for first/last mile applications or in areas with lower transit demand

Rail or High Intensity Bus



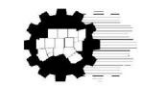
- Serves long-distance regional corridors with high transit demand
- Rail requires exclusive Right-of-Way, whereas exclusive bus lanes for High Intensity Bus are preferred

U.S. Census Bureau Urbanized Areas and Urban Clusters (2010)



Legend

	Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington Urbanized Area		McKinney Urbanized Area
	Denton-Lewisville Urbanized Area		Urban Clusters



North Central Texas
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Transportation
March 2012

Federal Formula Funding Programs for Urban Areas

Section	Program	Purpose	Project Types
5307	Urbanized Area Formula (includes Job Access/ Reverse Commute projects)	Serve general public including low-income workers	Capital Operating Planning
5310	Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities	Serve needs of the elderly and individuals with disabilities	Capital Operating
5337	State of Good Repair	Maintain rail services	Capital
5339	Bus and Bus Facilities	Purchase Vehicles and/or maintain bus services	Capital

Awarding Federal Formula Funds in the Region

Public transportation providers in the region were awarded ~\$135.99MM in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funds through the Fiscal Year 2021 apportionment award cycle

Two NCTCOG processes are used to award funds

- ~ 2% set aside for Strategic Partnerships
- ~ 98% available annually through Programs of Projects (POP) process

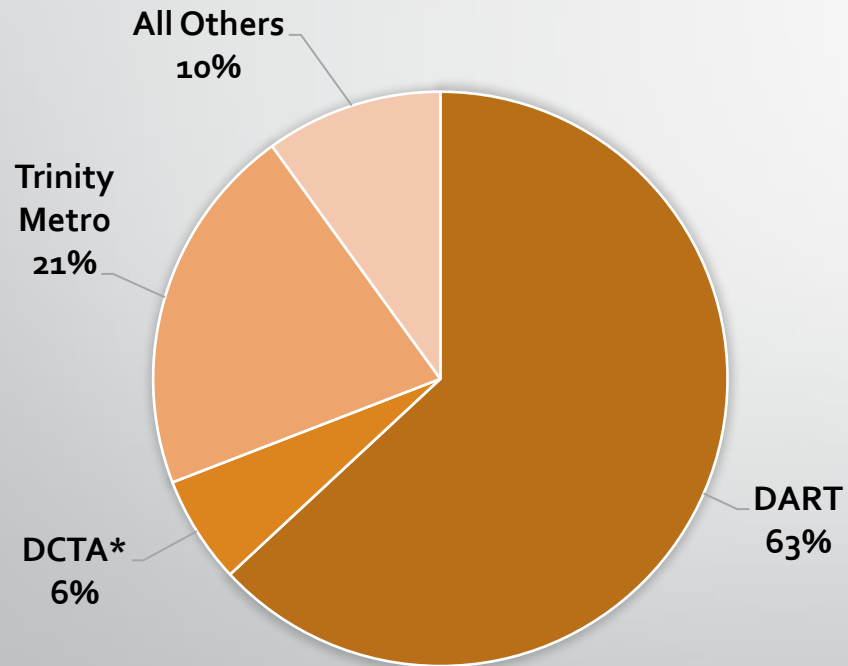
Fiscal Year 2021 Program of Projects

The Programs of Projects (POP) describes how public transportation providers in the region utilize FTA funds.

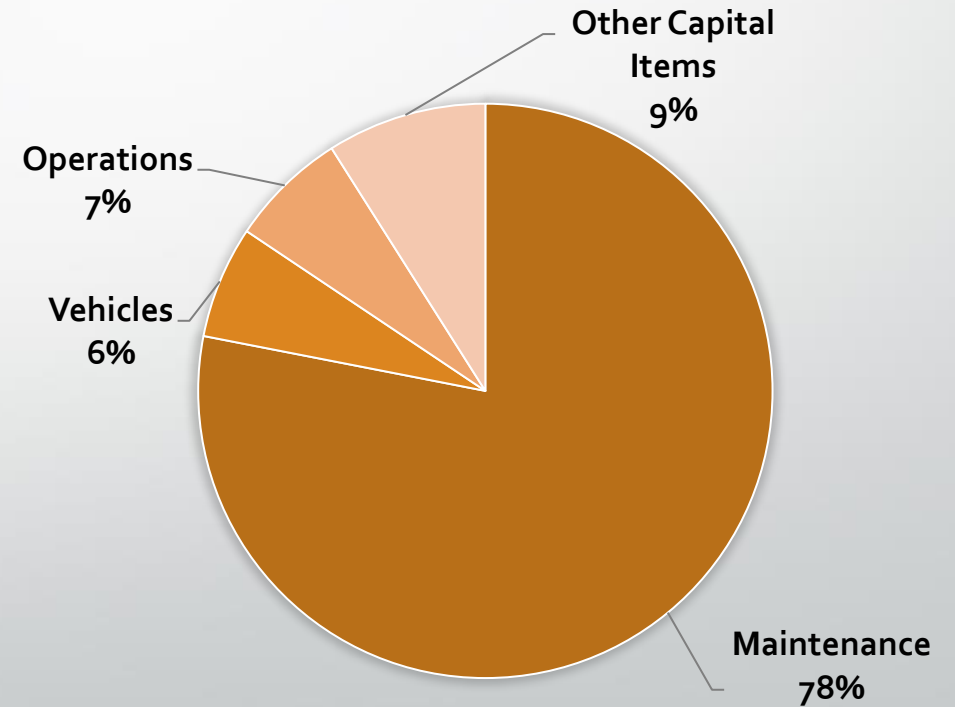
FY 2021 FTA Funds by <u>Agency Type</u>	\$135.99M
Transit Authorities	\$124.48M
All Others	\$11.51M
FY 2021 FTA Funds by <u>Project Type</u>	\$135.99M
Preventive Maintenance	\$106.27M
Vehicle Purchase	\$8.61M
Operations	\$9.01M
Other Capital Items	\$12.10M

Fiscal Year 2021 Program of Projects

DISTRIBUTION BY PROVIDER



DISTRIBUTION BY PROJECT TYPE



* DCTA funding comes from the Denton-Lewisville Urbanized Area

Transportation Development Credits

Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) are a non-cash financing tool (i.e., they do not increase funding for a project) that is used in lieu of the local cash match requirement for federal funds

TDCs are “earned” by the region when toll revenues are used to fund capital projects on public highways

Can only be applied to capital projects (e.g., vehicle or equipment purchase, preventive maintenance, etc.)

The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) awards TDCs



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Public Transportation Funding – American Rescue Plan Act: Program of Projects

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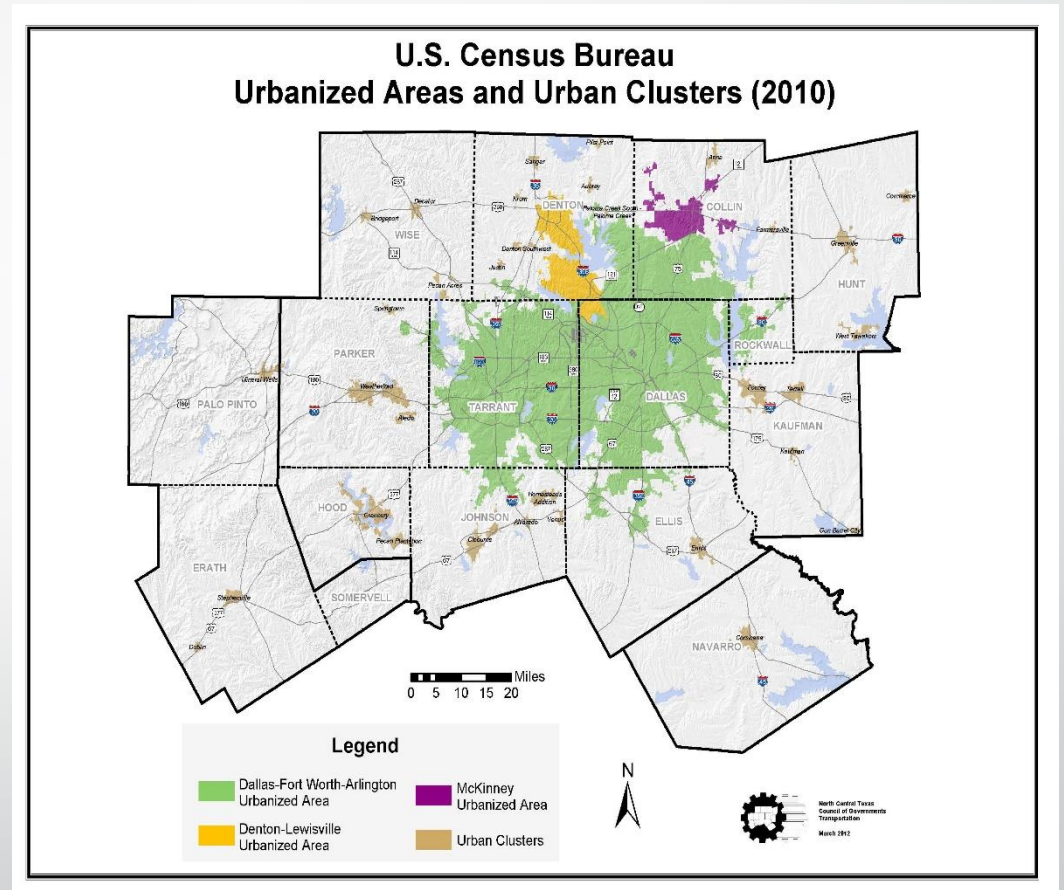
ARP Funding Background

- President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act into law on March 11, 2021
 - The ARP Act provides emergency assistance and appropriations to alleviate funding shortfalls for the nation's public transportation systems due to the COVID-19 public health emergency
 - The Federal Transit Administration was provided with \$30.5 billion in supplemental funding to allocate to transit agencies
- Funding is being provided at a 100-percent federal share, with no local match required, and prioritizes the use of funds for operational and payroll needs but also supports expenses traditionally eligible under the Urbanized Area Formula Program and Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19
 - Expenses incurred on or after January 20, 2020 are eligible for reimbursement through the ARP apportionment

ARP Funding for the Region

- NCTCOG Designated Recipient of FTA Urbanized Area (UZA) Formula funds for North Texas
- Available Funding for North Texas¹

Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington (DFWA) UZA:	\$339,826,672
Denton-Lewisville (DL) UZA:	\$14,073,192
Total:	\$353,899,864



¹FTA funding for the McKinney UZA is administered through TxDOT

Awarding ARP Funding in the Region

- Qualifying recipients will receive Section 5307 funding based on their 2018 Operating Expenses
- Section 5307 funding for urbanized areas may not exceed 132% of total 2018 Operating Expenses
- DART, DCTA, Trinity Metro, PTS, and STAR are the transit providers that fall below the 132% threshold
- Qualifying recipients will receive Section 5310 funding based on eligibility and overall need
- Apportionment Data
 - 2018 National Transit Database (NTD) Operating Expenses
 - CARES Act & CRRSAA sub-allocation tables

ARP Program of Projects

Transit Provider	Funding Program	UZA	Federal Share ¹
DART	Section 5307	DFWA	\$300,035,477
Trinity Metro	Section 5307	DFWA	\$39,155,646
Public Transit Services (Palo Pinto and Parker Counties)	Section 5307	DFWA	\$227,275
STAR Transit (Kaufman and Rockwall Counties, a portion of Dallas County)	Section 5307	DFWA	\$408,274
DCTA	Section 5307	DL	\$14,073,192

¹ARP funding is being provided at 100% federal share, with no local match required

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