

NCTCOG PRESENTATION

FISCAL YEAR 2025 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUNDING: PROGRAMS OF PROJECTS

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BACKGROUND

- The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is the designated recipient for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding for the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Denton-Lewisville, and McKinney-Frisco Urbanized Areas.
- Responsible for allocating federal funds to public transit providers in the region, including:
 - Transit Authorities (Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Trinity Metro, Denton County Transportation Authority)
 - Cities that are recipients of FTA funds (Arlington, Grand Prairie, McKinney, Mesquite)
 - Small transit providers (e.g., Northeast Transportation Services, Span, Inc., STAR Transit)
- Two NCTCOG processes are used to award funds:
 - Set-aside for Strategic Partnerships
 - Programs of Projects (POP) process



INVESTING IN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

- Positive 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
 - 87% of trips on public transit have a direct impact on the local economy
- Reduces roadway congestion and improves travel safety measures
 - Traveling by public transportation is 10 times safer per mile than traveling by automobile

Facts provided by the [American Public Transportation Association](#)

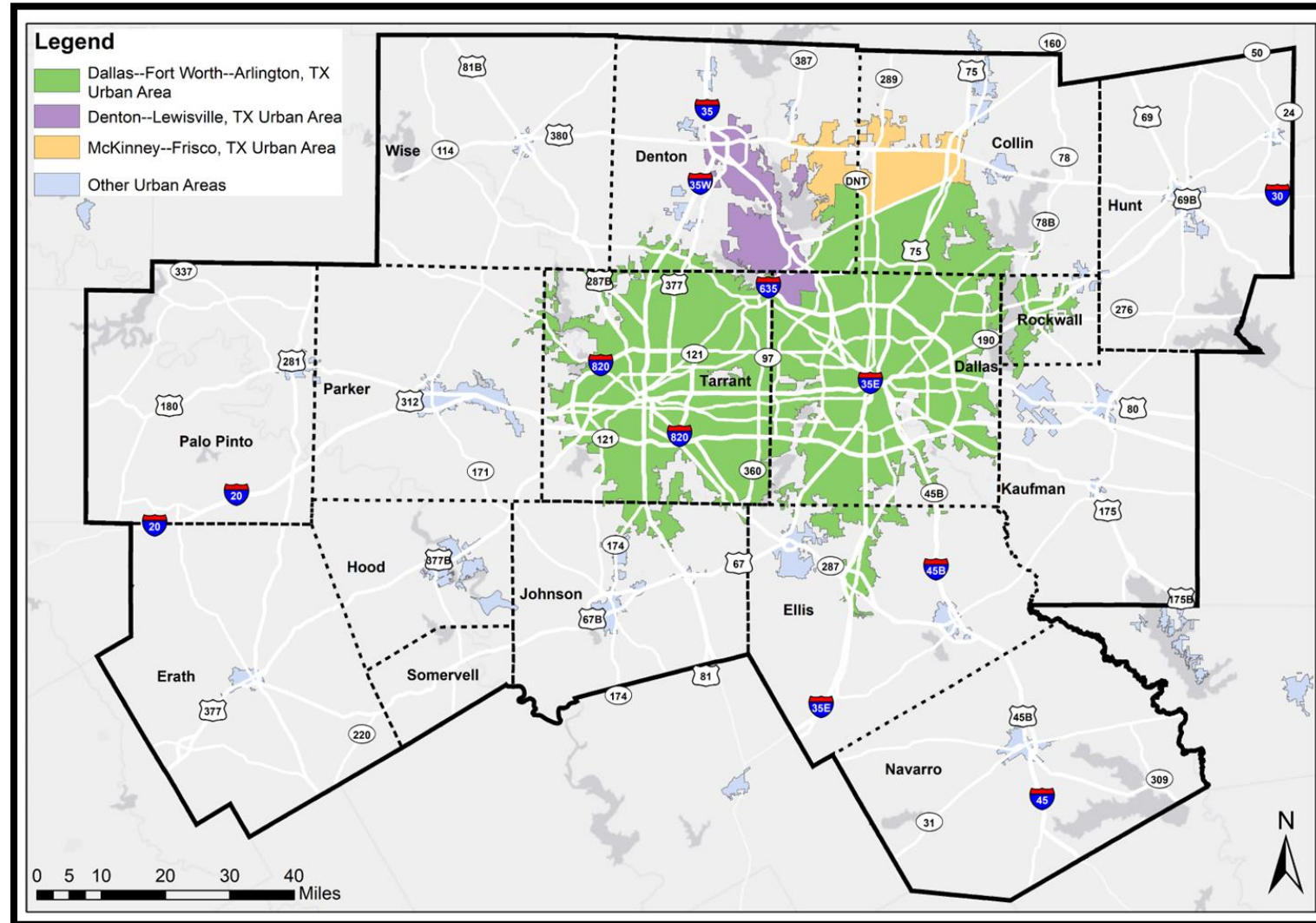


PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES IN THE REGION

- Fixed Route
 - Vehicle operates along a prescribed route according to a fixed schedule.
 - Typically in areas with high transit demand.
- Commuter Bus
 - A variation of fixed route, 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.



2020 CENSUS URBANIZED AREAS & URBAN CLUSTERS



FEDERAL FORMULA FUNDING PROGRAMS FOR URBAN AREAS

	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



PROPOSED FEDERAL FUNDS

- Public transportation providers in the region are proposed to receive ~\$206.3 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Federal Transit Administration formula funds and ~\$5.1 million in FY 2024 funds through this apportionment award cycle.
- Additional ~\$10.4 million in FY 2025 and ~\$4.8 million FY 2024 funds will be programmed in future cycles.
- 2,879,732 in Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) are proposed to be awarded through this cycle; TDCs are used in lieu of the local cash match requirement and do not increase funding for a project.



CURRENT AWARD CYCLE FUNDING SUMMARY

FTA Funds by <u>Agency Type</u>	~\$211.4M
Transit Authorities (DART, Trinity Metro, and Denton County Transportation Authority)	~\$182.1M
All Others	~\$29.3M

FTA Funds by <u>Project Type</u>	~\$211.4M
Capital (vehicles, equipment, preventive maintenance, etc.)	~\$197.1M
Operations	~\$14.1M
Planning	\$200K



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