



Greater Minnesota Public Transit

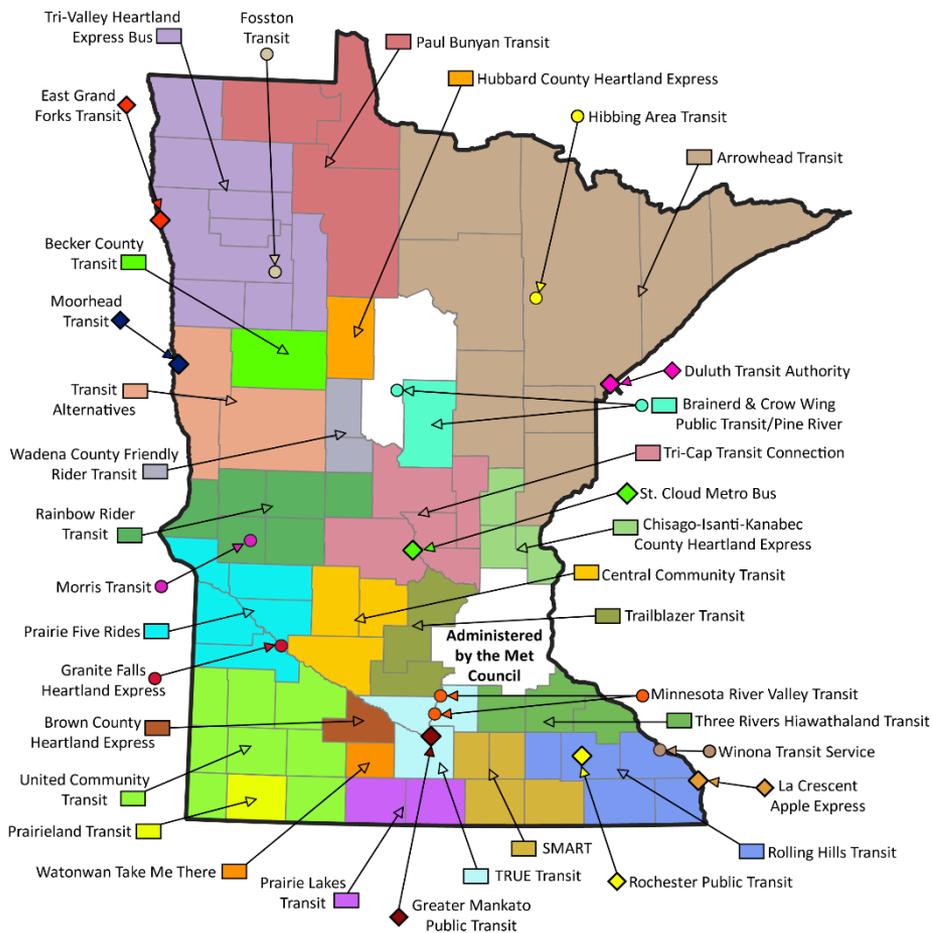
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Greater Minnesota Public Transit Map

Systems Administered by the Minnesota Department of Transportation
Current as of January 2019



Urbanized Area Funding Program (pop 50,000+), includes ADA Paratransit Services
 Rural County Systems
 Rural Community Systems

Greater MN Public Transit

- MnDOT responsible for supporting transit in all 80 counties outside the metro area
- 25 County & Multi-county
- 5 Small Urban
 - (2,500 - 49,999 population)
- 7 Urbanized
 - (50,000 – 200,000 population)
- 6 Tribal
 - Direct federal funding

Benefits and Strategic Direction

- Benefits
 - Economic opportunity, quality of life, health, air quality, community connections
- Strategic Direction
 - Transit is an attractive and viable option for Greater MN
 - Improve coordination of services
 - Increase transit usage
 - Ensure fiscal responsibility
 - Support an integrated multimodal system



Statewide Goals

- Legislature required a Greater MN Transit Investment Plan in 2009 (MS §174.24):
 - Identify need for public transit
 - Create plan to meet the need
 - Cost of meeting 100% of transit need
 - Goal of meeting 90% of transit need by 2025
- Most recently updated 2017-2018
- Transit systems preparing 5-year plans that implement strategies at local level

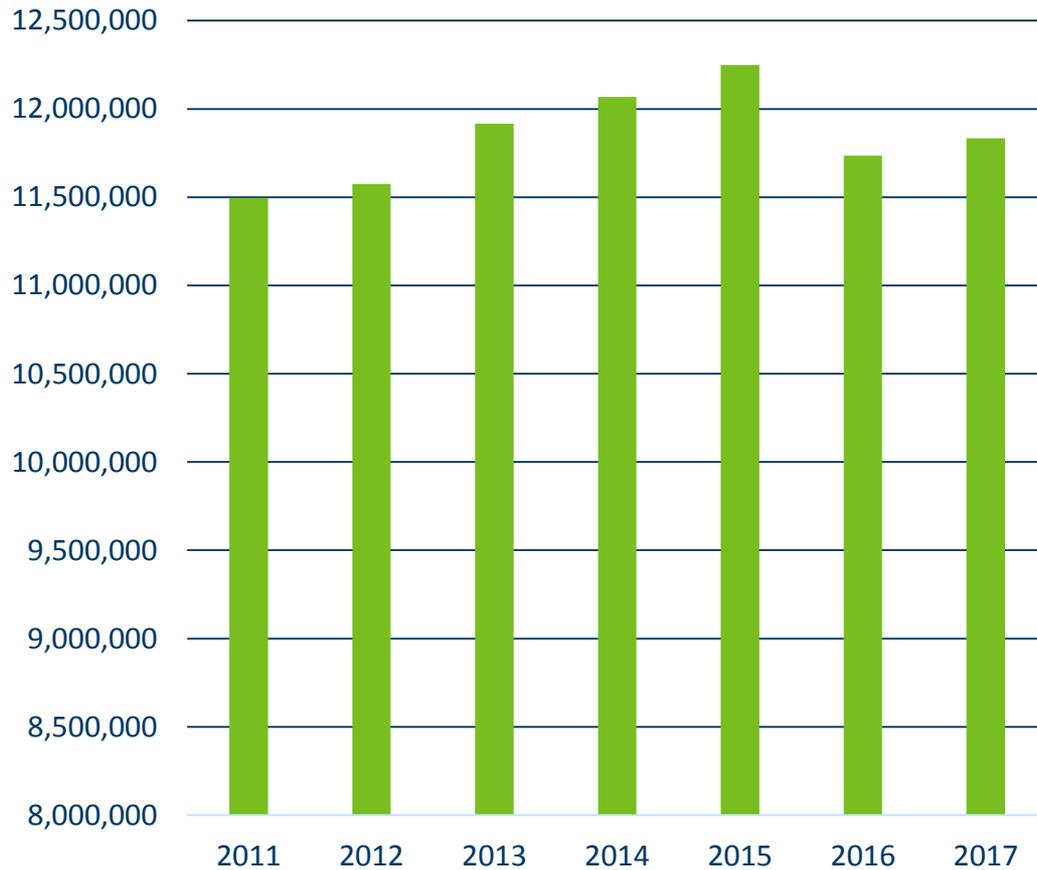


Community Input

- Longer service hours on weekdays
- More Saturday service
- Sunday service
- More reliable service
- Regional routes connecting communities
- Improve marketing and information
- Seniors and individuals with disabilities, carless households, presence of college campus or county seat
- Significant demographic changes; more need in 2025



Greater MN Public Transit Ridership

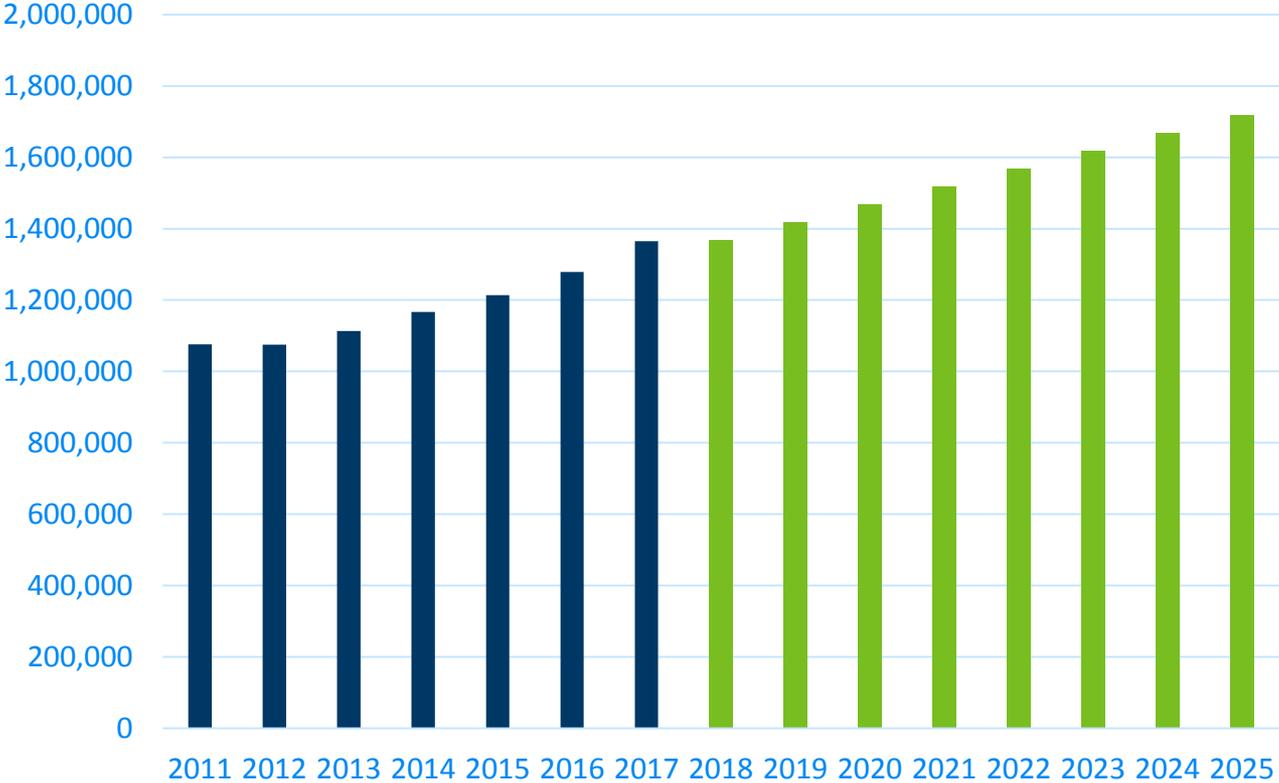


Forecasts show a need for 18.9 million trips/year by 2025

90% goal = 17.0 million trips annually in 2025

Greater MN Public Transit Service Hours

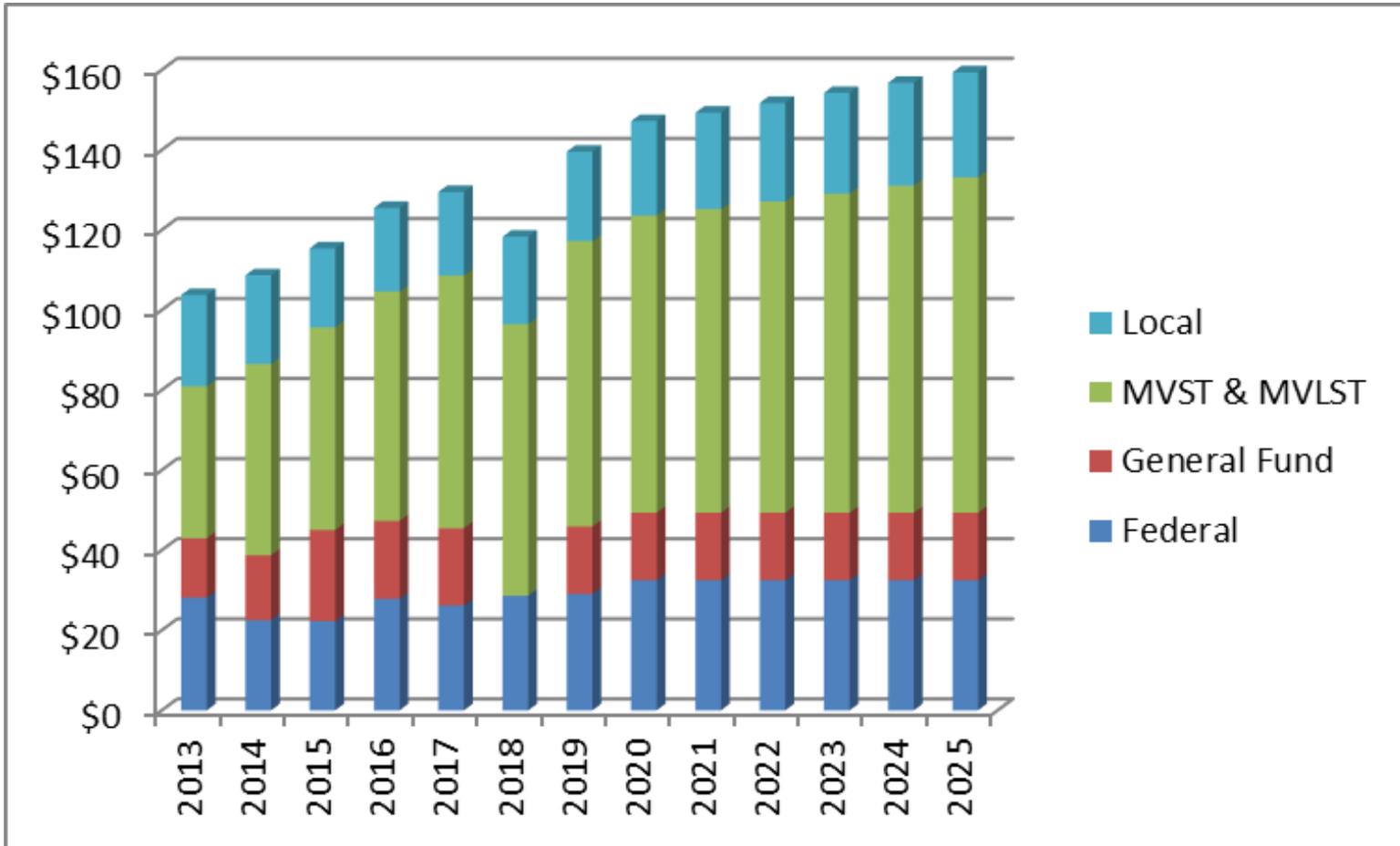
Service Hour History and Goal



More hours of transit service required to meet increasing need

90% goal = 1.7 million hours of service in 2025

Greater MN Public Transit Funding



Investing in the Future

- To achieve legislative goal of meeting 90% of need by 2025, estimated \$22M of additional investment required annually
- Transit systems are innovating, consolidating, coordinating
 - application development
 - scheduling software
 - statewide marketing resources



Thank you

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