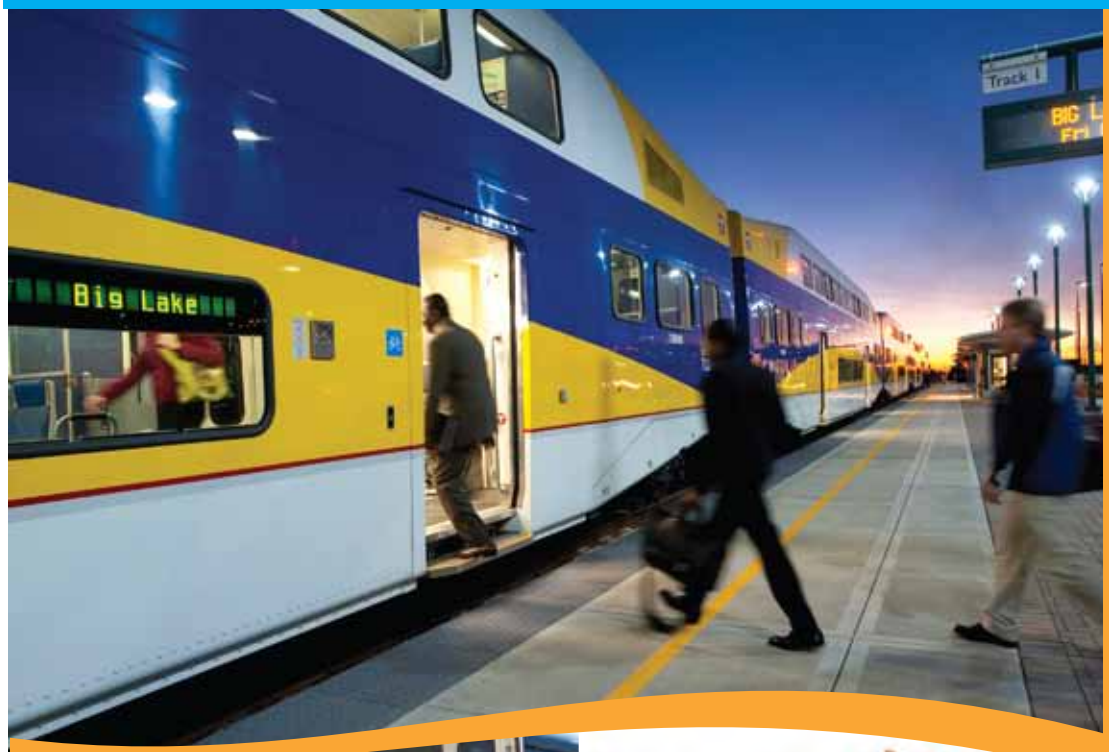

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Dear Legislators and Citizens of Minnesota,

I am pleased to share with you the 2012 Transit Report for the state of Minnesota.

The report highlights transit accomplishments from the last year; lists ridership, financial and performance information; and provides a snapshot of every public transit organization in the state. Minn. Stat. 174.247 defines the required content of this report.

Minnesota transit systems had several notable accomplishments since the last report:

- Public transit ridership in Minnesota exceeded 105 million trips in 2011, with more than 11 million in Greater Minnesota and nearly 94 million in the Twin Cities Metro area.
- Minnesota was awarded two Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative grants to improve transit user information in Greater Minnesota.
- Mankato is now a metropolitan planning organization area.
- Metro Transit conducted a study on the use of arterial bus rapid transit to improve travel speed, increase reliability, enhance ride quality and create faster connections on major arterial roadways in the Twin Cities Metro area.
- Construction continued on the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit project as it progresses toward its 2014 opening and preliminary engineering began on the Southwest Corridor LRT project.

Please review this report to learn more about Minnesota's public transit programs. This 2012 Transit Report and additional information are available at www.mndot.gov/transit.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner

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(b) The report must include, at a minimum, the following:		
(1) a descriptive overview of public transit in Minnesota;	State of the Industry – · *Introduction*	 1
(2) a descriptive summary of funding sources and assistance programs;	State of the Industry – · *Federal and State Funding for Transit* · *Major Accomplishments*	 2 7
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State of the Industry

Introduction

Minnesota's public transit systems provide transportation alternatives to driving alone and allow all citizens to participate fully in the state's communities and economy. Minnesota has a statutory goal to provide transit services to all counties in the state to meet the needs of transit users (Minn. Stat. 174.01).

In 2011, Greater Minnesota and metro area transit systems provided more than 105.4 million rides to Minnesota passengers.

Transit services are funded through a financial partnership that includes local, state and federal participation.

In Minnesota, state and federal funding for public transit systems is administered by the Metropolitan Council and the Minnesota Department of Transportation. In the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area, the Transportation Division of the Metropolitan Council plans, coordinates and administers transit services to meet the needs of Twin Cities area residents. MnDOT's Office of Transit is responsible for administering financial assistance to public transit systems in Greater Minnesota, which includes all 80 counties outside the metropolitan area.

The Metropolitan Council's statutory transit goals are defined in Minn. Stat. 473.371:

- Provide, to the greatest feasible extent, a basic level of mobility for all people in the metropolitan area;
- Arrange to the greatest feasible extent for the provision of a comprehensive set of transit and paratransit services to meet the needs of all people in the metropolitan area;
- Cooperate with private and public transit providers to assure the most efficient and coordinated use of existing and planned transit resources; and
- Maintain public mobility in the event of emergencies or energy shortages.

The statutory purpose of MnDOT's Public Transit Participation Program is found in Minn. Stat. 174.21:

- Provide access to transit for persons who have no alternative mode of transit available;
- Increase the efficiency and productivity of public transit systems;
- Alleviate problems of automobile congestion and energy consumption and provide desirable land use where such activities are cost-effective;
- Maintain a state commitment to public transportation; and,
- Meet the needs of individual transit systems to the extent they are consistent with the other objectives stated above.

Minnesota Statute § 174.247

The legislation governing the Annual Transit Report can be viewed here.

Purpose of the Annual Report

This report is published on an annual basis to provide citizens and elected officials an overview of public transit services available in Minnesota. This annual report includes a fact sheet on every state-supported public transit system in Minnesota and highlights the following public transportation topics:

- Major accomplishments
- Financial and operational statistics
- Trends in service levels, service costs, ridership and funding

The "State of the Industry" section narrates how federal and state funding mechanisms, local transit initiatives and MnDOT and Met Council oversight combine to produce transit outcomes in Minnesota. The following section, "Federal and State Funding for Transit," outlines transit funding allocations for this period. "Major Accomplishments" provides a detailed look at notable transit system activities during 2011, including system redesigns, implementation of new measures to promote efficiencies and plans and studies released. "Planning for the Future" provides an outlook on factors affecting future transit provision in Minnesota, including MAP-21 legislation and projections of future transit demand and funding requirements to meet this demand.

This report also serves to comply with the terms of Minn. Stat. 174.247 requiring that MnDOT annually analyze, compile and publish financial information for state-supported transit systems. The chart on page i itemizes specific statutory guidelines for the Transit Report and indicates which sections meet the requirements of this legislation.

Federal and State Funding for Transit

This section outlines how federal and state funding mechanisms are applied toward Minnesota public transit. Minn. Stat. 174.247 (b) (6) requires that the annual transit report include, "a summary of the differences in program implementation requirements and aid recipient eligibility between federal aid and state sources of funds." Federal and state funding levels directly impact the size of transit system budgets.

Federal funding programs for public transit

Urbanized areas, defined by the U.S. Census as places with populations greater than 50,000, are eligible to receive Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula program funds. Each of Minnesota's seven eligible metropolitan areas receives these funds. The Section 5307 program allows areas with populations greater than 50,000 but less than 200,000 to spend funds on capital, planning and operations. Fargo-Moorhead, Grand Forks-East Grand Forks, La Crosse-La Crescent, Rochester, Duluth and St. Cloud receive these funds. Mankato's population surpassed 50,000 at the 2010 Census and will begin receiving these funds in federal fiscal

year 2013. For areas with populations greater than 200,000, federal assistance is available for capital and planning funds only. The seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area falls in this funding category.

Metropolitan areas receive all Section 5307 grant funds directly from the FTA. As direct recipients of federal funds, metropolitan areas are individually responsible to the FTA for compliance with federal laws and regulations.

Rural and small urban areas, defined by the U.S. Census as places with populations less than 50,000, are eligible for Section 5311 Rural Area Formula program funds. Eligible sub-recipients include states and registered tribes. In 2011, 52 sub-recipients received Section 5311 funds administered by MnDOT. Eligible recipients include local government authorities, non-profit organizations or operators of public transportation or intercity bus service. This program supports transit systems in both Greater Minnesota and in rural areas of the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area. These funds are available for transit capital and operating assistance.

As the direct federal recipient of all Section 5311 funds, MnDOT solicits applications for funding, selects recipients and enters into grant contracts with recipients. MnDOT is responsible for monitoring federal regulatory compliance by all Section 5311 recipients in Greater Minnesota and the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Minnesota Section 5307 and 5311 formula programs received more than $73 million of federal support in 2011.

Federal programs support local transit operating and capital projects

Section 5307 and 5311 programs constitute the majority of federal transit funding in Minnesota and provide operating and capital support through formula grants to large urban, small urban and rural areas. In total, 2012 federal fiscal year funding through Section 5307 and 5311 programs provided more than $73 million to assist public transportation in Minnesota. Other federal programs focus on specialized services, such as the Section 5310 formula grants for the enhanced mobility of elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities.

Table I depicts federal transit funding that Minnesota transit systems use and the total dollars provided by each program in federal fiscal year 2012.

2011 Minnesota Public Transit Ridership

105.4 million
total passenger trips

93.9 million
Twin Cities metro area passenger trips

11.5 million
Greater Minnesota passenger trips

Table I. 2012 Federal Funding for Minnesota Transit

Program	Total Dollars	Program Description
5307	$60,307,782	**Urbanized Area Formula Program:** Operating and capital assistance for public transportation in urban areas (including Duluth, East Grand Forks, La Crescent, Moorhead, Rochester, St. Cloud and metropolitan Twin Cities)
5309	$93,144,000	**New Starts:** Capital funding for fixed guideway transportation investments
	$14,832,829	**Fixed Guideway Modernization Program:** Capital projects to modernize or improve existing fixed guideway systems
	$6,578,571	**Discretionary Grant Programs:** State of Good Repair, TIGGER, Bus Livability, Earmarks, Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative*
Flexible Funds - FHWA	$ 20,644,826	**Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality:** Funding for transit capital projects
	$9,411,744	**Surface Transportation Program:** Funding for transit capital projects in Minnesota
5311	$12,767,441	**Non-urbanized Area Formula Program:** Capital and operating funding for small urban and rural areas; includes intercity bus transportation
5311(b)(3)	$181,232	**Rural Transit Assistance Program:** Research, training and technical assistance for transit operators in non-urbanized areas
5310	$2,000,103	**Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Capital Program:** Capital assistance grants for organizations that serve elderly and/or persons with disabilities
5316	$2,748,958	**Job Access & Reverse Commute Formula Program:** Funding for projects that transport low-income individuals to employment
5303/5304	$1,314,606	**Metropolitan Transportation Planning Program**: Planning activities and technical assistance for public transit services
	$260,577	**State Transportation Planning Program:** Planning activities, technical studies and cooperative research
5317	$1,218,053	**New Freedom Formula Program:** Funding for transportation projects that go beyond ADA requirements for persons with disabilities
5339	$600,000	**Alternatives Analysis Program:** Funding to assist in evaluating all reasonable modal and multimodal alternatives in a corridor

*Figure includes 2011 and 2012 Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative grant awards.

State funding programs support public transit

State funding for public transit is appropriated from the general fund and from a percentage of Motor Vehicle Sales Tax revenue. The Metropolitan Council administers a portion of these funds to provide transit service in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area. MnDOT administers the remaining portion of these funds to provide public transit services outside the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area.

MnDOT disburses funds for Greater Minnesota transit through the Public Transit Participation Program. Greater Minnesota public transit providers apply annually for funding that may be used for operating, capital and planning activities. Eligibility is determined by Minn. Stat. 174.24, which states, "Any legislatively established public transit commission or authority, any county or statutory or home rule charter city providing financial assistance to or operating public transit, any private operator of public transit, or any combination thereof is eligible to receive financial assistance through the Public Transit Participation Program."

State law requires local participation in funding public transit services in Greater Minnesota. A statutory fixed-share funding formula sets a local share of operating costs by system classification as follows:

Elderly and disabled	15%
Rural (population less than 2,500)	15%
Small urban (population 2,500-50,000)	20%
Urbanized (population more than 50,000)	20%

State and federal funding for public transit covers the remaining 80-85 percent of operating costs awarded through the Public Transit Participation Program.

2012-13 state public transit assistance

The level of service that Minnesota transit systems can provide is closely tied to the amount of funding provided by the state. In 2011, state funding covered approximately 51.6 percent of transit system operating costs in Minnesota. State funding for transit is determined by the Minnesota Legislature, which appropriates transit funding from the general fund on a biennial basis and sets the percentage of MVST revenue dedicated to public transit. For fiscal years 2012 and 2013, the Legislature appropriated a total of $108,122,000 from the General Fund for public transit in both Greater Minnesota and the Twin Cities metropolitan area. In addition, an estimated $479,821,000 in MVST revenues will be used for public transit during the biennium. Table II identifies levels of state transit funding for the 2012-13 biennium.

Number of Minnesota Public Transit Systems (2011)

58 in Greater Minnesota

14 in the Twin Cities metropolitan area

1 Commuter Rail route (Northstar)

1 Light Rail route (Hiawatha Green Line)

The Minnesota Public Transit Association annually honors colleagues and public officials for delivering excellent transit service. 2012 winners were:

Distinguished Career, **Dennis Jensen**, Duluth Transit Authority

Transit Professional of the Year, **Lori Van Beek**, Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit **Jan Homan**, Metro Transit

Minnesota Bus Operator of the Year, **Cherol Dee McManus,** Hiawathaland Transit

Transit System of the Year, **Hiawathaland Transit (Three Rivers Community Action, Inc.)**

Friends of Transit, **Senator John Pederson, Senator Roger Reinert and Willis Branning, Dakota County Commissioner**

Table II. Transit Funding for 2012-13 Biennium (in thousands)

	2012	2013	Total
Greater MN Transit			
Public transit assistance (general fund)	$15,023	$15,023	$30,046
Greater MN transit account (MVST)*	$22,357	$23,549	$45,906
Greater MN transit account (Leased MVST revenues from FY2011)*	$9,299	$11,465	$20,764
Greater MN total	$46,679	$50,037	$ 96,716
Metro Area Transit			
Public transit assistance (general fund)	$39,038	$39,038	$78,076
Metro Area Transit Account (MVST)*	$201,210	$211,941	$413,151
Metro Area total	$240,248	$250,979	$491,227
Statewide Total	$286,927	$301,016	$587,943

*2012 figures are actual, 2013 figures per Minnesota Management and Budget Forecast, November 2012.

As the 2012-13 biennium progressed, there were slight improvements in funding. No emergency cuts were made to general fund appropriations for transit while MVST receipts were slightly higher than originally forecasted. Greater Minnesota transit received 4 percent of MVST revenues in FY 2012 and will continue to receive 4 percent in future years. Metro area transit received 36 percent of MVST revenues in FY 2012 and will continue receiving funds at that level.

Forecasting MVST revenues is an on-going challenge. Greater Minnesota transit receives 50 percent of leased MVST revenues beyond a certain threshold each year. That threshold was $31.1 million in FY 2012 and moved to $32 million in FY 2013 and beyond. As of February 2012, the forecast for leased MVST revenues for Greater Minnesota transit was $5.775 million, but the actual total was $9.299 million. Leased MVST revenues are forwarded to MnDOT for Greater Minnesota in the fiscal year after they are earned. The figures shown in Table II were earned in the fiscal year listed in the table, but cannot be spent until the following fiscal year.

For Greater Minnesota transit systems to maintain current service levels, funding must increase at the same rate as inflation. To provide more transit service in the future, transit needs even greater increases in funding. The Minnesota Transportation Finance Advisory Committee recommended capturing the remaining leased MVST from the state general fund (estimated at $32 million annually) and directing it to Greater Minnesota Transit. However, absent a new or

increased funding source, MVST funding will be a determining factor in transit systems' ability to maintain or expand levels of service in the future.

2011 Major Accomplishments

Coordination planning leads to changes in funding allocation decisions

The goal of the 2011 Local Human Service Transit Coordination Plans was to identify strategies to improve coordination of transit services funded through public, non-profit and private sources. The Federal Transit Administration requires that all applications for Job Access Reverse Commute, New Freedom and Section 5310 Elderly and Disabled funding reflect strategies developed through a local human service transit coordination plan. MnDOT contracted with the state's ten Regional Development Commissions and with two MnDOT district offices to develop these plans in twelve Greater Minnesota regions. Plan goals reflect transit conditions and stakeholder priorities in each region. Three project priorities were consistently repeated in plans across the state: centralize information about transportation providers, hire mobility managers to oversee transit coordination on a regional level and increase levels of service.

In response to these plans, MnDOT initiated an internal process to ensure that goals articulated in the plans are reflected in MnDOT's applications for Job Access Reverse Commute and New Freedom funding. MnDOT now scores applications higher that propose projects to advance mobility management, centralize information or expand services. This new scoring process, implemented in 2012, has increased overall transparency in application scoring and more closely aligns funding resources with publicly expressed planning goals.

MnDOT awarded $1.78 million to improve veterans' access to information about rides

The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded $1.19 million to MnDOT under a Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative discretionary grant in late 2011. Using these funds, MnDOT, Department of Veterans Affairs, Board on Aging and Department of Human Services are partnering to enhance the existing MinnesotaHelp Network™, a virtual call center and website that facilitates inter-agency referrals using communications software. This software enables call center staff and participating agencies to easily route and transfer calls, chat, conference, send secure email, share documents, transfer files in real-time and record all calls. This project will extend the MinnesotaHelp Network™ technology to transportation providers and veterans' organizations. As a result, finding information about rides and referring customers to available resources will become easier for veterans, military families, caregivers and others seeking transportation services in Greater Minnesota.

Call. Connect. Ride
MinnesotaHelp Network for Transportation
Senior LinkAge Line® 1-800-333-2433 | Veterans Linkage Line™ 1-888-546-LINKVET | Disability Linkage Line® 1-866-333-2466

Learn more about the Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative grant project, called MN Ride Link:

www.mndot.gov/transit/southwest-ride/

In 2012, MnDOT received $586,000 in additional grant funding to implement this program throughout Greater Minnesota. In late 2012, MnDOT initiated the first phase of this project in partnership with the Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging. In this phase, the Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging will conduct public outreach and administer funds to add interested public transit providers, non-profit transit providers, inter-city bus providers, county veterans service officers and VA hospitals, clinics and homes located in southwest Minnesota to the MinnesotaHelp Network™ using grant-funded hardware and software. Following completion of this phase, MnDOT will seek to add additional providers in Greater Minnesota to the network.

Software tool facilitates transit funding allocations

MnDOT adopted a new software tool, Decision Lens, to facilitate a more standardized and transparent method for allocating state funds and federal Section 5311 funds among Greater Minnesota transit systems. MnDOT used performance and financial criteria to guide funding allocation decisions prior to 2011, but was challenged to objectively compare transit systems that serve widely disparate geographies and populations throughout the state. Decision Lens is a software and facilitation tool designed to help users look more objectively at mixed criteria; that is, systematically comparing objective data such as a transit system's cost per hour with more subjective measures such as service provision to remote areas. Decision Lens enables users to input multiple criteria and weigh them according to their relative importance. The result is a ranked list of each Greater Minnesota transit system, factoring in numerous performance criteria. This ranking assists in determining how funding for Greater Minnesota rural public transit is apportioned. The objectivity of the results makes it clear that MnDOT is conforming to predetermined, non-arbitrary standards to award funding.

In addition to assisting MnDOT's decision making, this ranking system also helps transit systems identify areas where they can improve performance. MnDOT anticipates that it will continue to use and refine the Decision Lens process in future funding allocation decisions.

Greater Minnesota systems adopt computer-aided dispatch

In 2011, six transit systems purchased computer-aided dispatch software to improve methods for route development: Arrowhead Transit, Brown County Heartland Express, Martin County Transit, Meeker County Public Transit, Pipestone County Transit and River Rider Public Transit. Adding routing software creates efficiencies in activities like billing and reporting, creating and tracking customer rides, delivering driver manifests and developing routes. Prior to adoption of dispatch technology, these functions were performed by dispatchers using pen and paper. Dispatchers compiled ride requests manually in two-week increments, and drivers manually identified

which rides were completed by handing in a manifest to be entered into a computer program.

Routing software maintains a database of riders and can create a route schedule in real time. When customers call a dispatcher, the software can offer suggestions for rider placement or it can place the customer on the schedule automatically.

The driver manifest is delivered electronically to the driver and drivers also electronically confirm rides.

Six additional systems acquired the software in 2012. As more systems add software, they will realize greater efficiencies and improved customer service through a standardized routing and dispatching process.

Volunteer driver programs help rural Minnesotans

Many Greater Minnesota transit systems supplement bus services with individual rides provided by volunteers. These rides are available to the general public.

Table III.a 2011 Greater Minnesota Public Volunteer Driver Program Statistics

Public transit systems that operate public volunteer driver programs	14
Passenger trips	55,689
Miles travelled	1,600,009

In addition, two JARC and New Freedom programs operate volunteer driver programs. These rides are available to customers who meet eligibility criteria.

Table III.b 2011 Greater Minnesota JARC and NF Volunteer Driver Program Statistics

JARC/New Freedom programs that operate volunteer driver programs	2
Passenger trips	7,177
Miles travelled	257,009

MnDOT supports transit system drug and alcohol testing

In May 2012, MnDOT hosted a one-day drug and alcohol training seminar presented by Federal Transit Administration staff. This refresher training was attended by 23 transit drug and alcohol program managers representing 19 Greater Minnesota transit agencies. At the training, attendees reviewed federal requirements for regular drug and alcohol testing of bus drivers, mechanics and other safety-critical staff.

Also in 2012, MnDOT conducted drug and alcohol record-keeping reviews of six Greater Minnesota transit agencies. Each review allowed MnDOT staff to provide one-on-one, in-depth training to transit system personnel responsible for managing FTA Compliant Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs. Reviewing systems' record-keeping procedures enabled MnDOT staff to provide answers to technical questions regarding compliance with FTA standards. These efforts help ensure that transit systems can effectively deter and detect the use of illegal drugs and alcohol abuse among safety-critical employees in their organizations.

Procurement reviews reaffirm prudent administration of federal funds

MnDOT is the prime administrator of Federal Transit Administration grant funds for Greater Minnesota. In this capacity, it participates in procurements of transit vehicles and professional services and is responsible for similar procurements by its transit subrecipients. FTA procurement requirements must be followed in either case. To ensure compliance with federal procurement requirements, FTA periodically conducts a comprehensive Procurement System Review. A PSR is a form of advanced technical assistance offered by the FTA to its grant recipients to ensure compliance with the federal laws that underlie federal procurement requirements.

In July 2011, the FTA sent a team of consultants acting as procurement specialists to examine the state procurement system and numerous individual procurements conducted by MnDOT and its sub-recipients during the last two years. The results of the PSR enabled MnDOT to enhance its own procurement procedures and to provide better oversight of subrecipient procurements. The benefit of the latest PSR was to reaffirm MnDOT's commitment to prudent and sound administration of federal funds.

Read more about the Central Minnesota Area Commuter Study:

www.mndot.gov/d3/commuter

Central Minnesota Area Commuter Study recommends improvements to commuter services

The Central Minnesota Area Commuter Study focused on commuter needs among St. Cloud, the Twin Cities metropolitan area and twelve central Minnesota counties in MnDOT District 3. This area is served by seven public transit systems and the state's only commuter rail service. Increased population and economic growth has produced high commuter congestion on key highway corridors and spurred the need to explore additional strategies to handle transportation demand. The purpose of this commuter needs study was to determine how best to improve the area's public transit, park-and-rides and car/van pool programs. Major findings of the study were:

- Price sensitivity to gasoline will be a major factor in determining commuter choices to rideshare or use transit for intra-district commutes.

- Commuter options will be limited to ridesharing in most rural portions of the study area.
- Only four corridors (or segments of them) approach the projected ridership thresholds that would support regular commuter transit operations: (1) Cold Spring via St. Joseph to St. Cloud; (2) Buffalo to Minneapolis; (3) St. Michael and Albertville to Minneapolis; and (4) St. Cloud to Minneapolis. These require new funding.
- Van pools may be among the most effective solutions to reducing single occupancy vehicle commutes on most corridors.
- Existing park and ride facilities can be improved to enhance desirability to commuters.

Read more about the Greater Mankato Transit Redesign Study:

www.mankato-mn.gov/Transit-Redesign-Study/Page.aspx

Mankato transit study results in "green fee;" ridership up 64 percent

In fall 2012, Minnesota State University, Mankato implemented a "green transportation fee." This fixed, per credit hour fee paid by students allows students, faculty and staff unlimited use of Mankato's fixed route public transit. This action was the direct result of a recommendation from MnDOT's 2011 Greater Mankato Transit Redesign Study, conducted in partnership with Minnesota State University, Mankato and the city of Mankato.

Beginning in August 2012, each student was charged 75 cents per credit hour to help cover this fee. September through November ridership increased citywide by 64 percent compared to 2011 figures during those months. The extra payments to the city have also resulted in expanded service, including additional evening routes. The intense demand has led the Student Senate and the city to work together on making minor changes to service as well. For example, bus schedules have been adjusted slightly in order to accommodate class schedules and several routes now have posted stops only in an effort to improve on-time performance while accommodating more riders.

In addition to the MSU-Mankato service, the city also revamped its fixed route service in late August. Improving service convenience was another recommendation of the Greater Mankato Transit Redesign Study. Greater Mankato Transit Superintendent Mark Anderson is hopeful that the new routes and the change for MSU-Mankato will get more people riding the bus for years to come.

Met Council produces Regional Transitway Guidelines

The Regional Transitway Guidelines provide technical guidance, based in best practices, that supports development and operation of transitways in a way that is consistent, equitable and efficient, and delivers effective, integrated and user-friendly transit throughout the

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Twin Cities metropolitan. Several important developments in the metro area transit system led to the Regional Transitway Guidelines process:

- Growth in the region's transitway system
- Multiple agencies involved in transitway implementation
- Recent regional steps to implement bus rapid transit
- Better alignment of transit, land use planning and sustainable communities.

The guidelines address four transitway modes: commuter rail, light rail transit, highway bus rapid transit and arterial bus rapid transit. They are focused around specific topic areas including service operations; station spacing and siting; station and support facilities; runningway; vehicles; fare collection systems, technology and customer information; identity and branding; and project development, leadership and oversight.

Central and Southwest light rail lines move ahead

In 2011, the Federal Transit Administration executed the Full Funding Grant Agreement to pay for half the Central Corridor light rail transit project's $957 million cost. In 2011, the project completed the first of two full years of heavy construction, including work on Fourth Street and a skyway in downtown St. Paul, three miles of University Avenue in St. Paul, the Huron bypass, Washington Avenue east of Walnut Street on the East Bank and the south deck of the Washington Avenue Bridge. The work sustained 2,324 construction jobs through November 2011. The Metropolitan Council implemented an assistance package for businesses on the alignment to disburse $11 million, including $6 million in forgivable loans and grants. Before the year's end, 53 forgivable loans were approved for a total loan amount of $785,862. Also in 2011, the Federal Transit Administration granted approval to enter preliminary engineering for the Southwest LRT project.

Metro Transit's Go Greener initiative spurs cost savings and reduces emissions

Metro Transit's "Go Greener" initiative is conserving energy and operating funds as well as reducing emissions. By specifying energy-efficient materials when buying buses, operating 97 hybrid-electric buses and modifying operations to reduce idling, Metro Transit conserved an estimated 625,000 gallons of fuel in 2011, saving approximately $2.2 million compared to 2007 operations. Metro Transit also realized $1.9 million of savings in utility costs at its five bus garages and maintenance overhaul base facility compared to a 2008 baseline established by an energy audit with Xcel Energy. Since the audit, Metro Transit has incrementally made improvements such as automated HVAC controls, high-speed insulated garage doors and more efficient lighting. These improvements have reduced CO_2

emissions by about 6,500 tons and are projected to pay for themselves in operational savings by the end of 2012.

Preparing for the Future

Transit for Our Future promotes coordination, collaboration and consolidation among transit systems

MnDOT undertook the Transit for Our Future initiative in early 2011 to refine the agency's process for evaluating Greater Minnesota public transit funding applications. This initiative responds to priorities outlined in the Greater Minnesota Public Transit Investment Plan, completed in January 2011. The underlying goal of Transit for Our Future is to improve public transit service in Greater Minnesota by establishing consistent state funding policies that balance efficiency with service availability. In 2011, MnDOT developed a funding application process outside traditional urban and rural programs to assist transit systems in advancing these goals. Rural transit systems were encouraged to partner in applications that proposed coordination, cooperation or consolidation strategies that would result in expanded service access, more efficient management and a higher level of compliance with existing and proposed federal regulations.

To date, five systems have applied to consolidate with another transit system and four counties have proposed a joint coordination project. The following transit systems merged in 2012:

- City of Faribault into Three Rivers (Effective Jan. 1, 2012)
- City of Dawson into Prairie Five (Effective July 1, 2012)
- City of Northfield into Three Rivers (Effective July 1, 2012)
- City of Montevideo into Prairie Five (Effective Dec. 31, 2012)
- Cottonwood County into Western CAC (Effective Dec. 31, 2012)

Applications are open throughout 2013 and funding may be provided through 2014 for these projects.

MAP-21 changes transit funding formulas

On July 6, 2012, President Obama signed into law the bill titled *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century*, or MAP-21, reauthorizing surface transportation programs through federal fiscal year 2014. It became effective Oct. 1, 2012.

For transit, MAP-21 contains new programs, consolidates existing programs and changes others in order to emphasize safety, state of good repair, performance and program efficiency. As of publication of this report, the FTA has not published guidance describing how the agency will administer the new law. New programs for safety, state of good repair (which is now associated exclusively with fixed guideway systems) and asset management will require additional measurement,

For further information about MAP-21 and transit, visit:

www.fta.dot.gov/map21/

reporting and oversight efforts from transit providers and grantors. The Job Access/Reverse Commute (formerly Section 5316) program was folded into the Urban (5307) and Rural (5311) programs. The New Freedom (formerly 5317) program was folded into the Elderly and Disabled (5310) program. The Bus and Bus Facilities program (5337) is now a formula fund for capital.

MAP-21 has significant implications for transit vehicle funding in Greater Minnesota. Federal discretionary grant programs for bus and bus facilities will no longer be available. Although these have been replaced with a formula program, the formula will only deliver about $1.9 million per year to Greater Minnesota. This problem is exacerbated by a reduction in the availability of flexible federal Surface Transportation Program funds starting around 2017. Area Transportation Partnerships often dedicated a significant portion of their STP funds toward purchase of buses for their local transit systems , but the ATPs will have much less STP funding to work with under MAP-21. Assuming the ATPs dedicate a similar percentage of their available funds to transit vehicles, MAP-21 will result in a reduction of about $4 million per year, or 33 percent, of federal funds available for Greater Minnesota buses. If no other solutions are found, more state funding than usual will have to be dedicated toward transit capital rather than operations to respond to this gap.

Operating and capital funding requirements to meet future transit needs

MnDOT is committed to improving mobility and accessibility for Minnesota citizens by promoting mass transit. In 2010, MnDOT completed the Greater Minnesota Transit Investment Plan to project future need for transit services in Greater Minnesota and estimate the cost of providing additional services to reduce unmet needs. MnDOT updates these figures annually to reflect recent progress toward meeting needs identified in the plan and as new population projections are made available.

Table IV. Cost (in Millions) to Meet 100 percent of Projected Transit Needs 2012-17

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Operating cost	$114.3	$118.3	$122.5	$126.9	$131.5	$136.3
Capital cost - vehicle replacement	$10.7	$11.0	$11.6	$11.9	$12.2	$12.6
Capital cost - addt'l vehicles	$36.4	$0.6	$0.6	$0.7	$0.8	$0.8
Total	**$161.3**	**$130.2**	**$134.7**	**$139.4**	**$144.5**	**$149.7**

Capital costs are a combination of replacement costs to maintain the current fleet size and the cost of additional vehicles to fully close the gap between current levels of service and new service required to

meet 100 percent of estimated needs. Operating costs are based on the hours of service required to meet new levels of need to serve the expanding population.

Between 2012 and 2030, MnDOT projects that transit need will grow from 18.5 million to 22 million passenger trips per year. To serve these trips, Greater Minnesota transit systems would need to provide 1.8 million hours of service in 2012 and increase to 2.1 million hours of service in 2030. Table V illustrates these figures and the total funds required to provide this additional transit service.

Table V. Cost to Meet 100 percent of Projected Transit Needs 2012-2030 (in Millions)

	2012	2015	2020	2025	2030
Total passenger demand	18.5	19.1	20.2	21.1	22.0
Service hours to meet demand	1.82	1.86	1.93	1.99	2.06
Annual operating cost	$114.3	$126.9	$151.1	$180.2	$214.2
Average annual capital cost*	$47.1	$12.2	$14.8	$20.4	$26.0
Total costs	**$161.3**	**$139.1**	**$165.9**	**$200.6**	**$240.2**

*Includes replacement vehicles and additional vehicles. Numbers show five-year totals, except 2012. 2015 represents 2013-15.

Without increases to future funding, Greater Minnesota transit systems will not be able to sustain or expand the number of service hours currently provided. The Minnesota Legislature asked MnDOT to identify the cost of meeting 80 percent of transit need by 2015 and 90 percent of transit need by 2025. Table VI depicts the gap between projected revenues for transit and funds needed to meet this goal. This table does not account for inflation, which will further reduce systems' ability to provide current levels of service for the dollar amounts listed.

Table VI. Cost to Meet Legislative Targets: 2015 and 2025

	2012-15 Costs and Revenues Required to Meet 80% of Total Need in 2015		2016-25 Costs and Revenues Required to Meet 90% of Total Need in 2025	
	Capital	**Operating**	**Capital**	**Operating**
Period costs to meet legislative targets	**$66.9**	**$385.6**	**$158.6**	**$1,394.3**
Period projected revenues*				
Federal STP	$31.6		$48.2	
Federal 5307 urban	$29.9		$79.3	
Federal 5311 rural	$41.9		$109.8	
Federal 5339 bus and bus facilities	$5.6		$18.5	
State general fund	$62.0		$161.8	
State MVST	$95.2		$320.8	
State leased MVST	$48.5		$192.8	
Period gap between costs and projected revenues	**$138.1**		**$621.6**	
Period gap paid by local share**	$27.6		$124.3	
Period federal and state funding gap	**$110.5**		**$497.3**	
Average annual federal and state funding gap	**$27.62**		**$49.73**	

***Federal Surface Transportation Program and Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Funds can only be used for capital. Federal Section 5307 Urban formula funds are split equally between capital and operations. Federal Section 5311 Rural formula funds and all State funding sources can be used on capital or operations.

****Local share for capital expenditures is 20 percent. Local share for operating expenditures is statutorily set at a minimum of 15 percent for rural and paratransit service and 20 percent for urban service. In 2011, local share averaged 29 percent. For estimating purposes here, it is assumed at 20 percent for operating.

If future funding increases, MnDOT's highest priority for Greater Minnesota service expansion is to establish service in locations without any existing public transit. Assuming all eligible locations are served by public transit, MnDOT's top priorities for service expansion include:

- Expand service hours in the morning and night to serve more trips
- Expand multi-county services to link more communities
- Provide service on more days of the week
- Expand service frequencies and coverage
- Expand service to provide consistent levels of service statewide

Conclusion

As we look to the future, public transportation will be increasingly important in helping citizens access economic and social opportunity in their communities. As population growth and environmental considerations create even greater demands on public transit, MnDOT strives to make access to quality public transit systems available to citizens statewide. To assure that Minnesota is at the forefront of future transit strategies and financing, MnDOT will work proactively toward its mission to provide the highest quality, dependable multimodal transportation system.

Transit System
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2011 Highlights

- Secured funding for a bus garage to be built in 2012.
- Received a replacement bus.
- Provided training opportunities for neighboring systems on Routematch scheduling and dispatching software.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Cedar Valley Services Inc.
Type of Government:	Non-profit
Area Served:	Albert Lea
Legislative District:	27A
Congressional District:	1

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 300
Service Type:	Route deviation, dial-a-ride and subscription
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data

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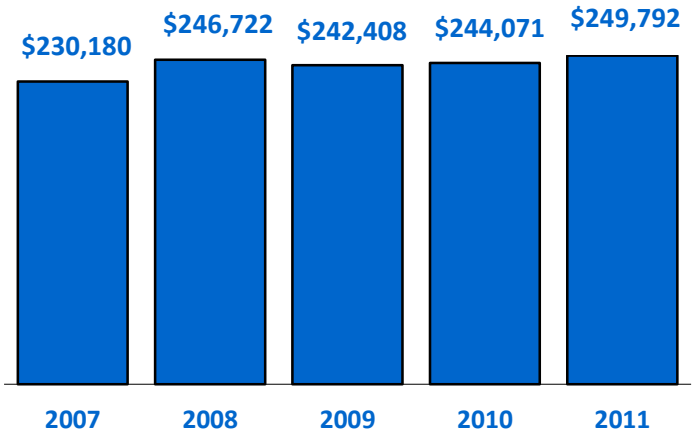

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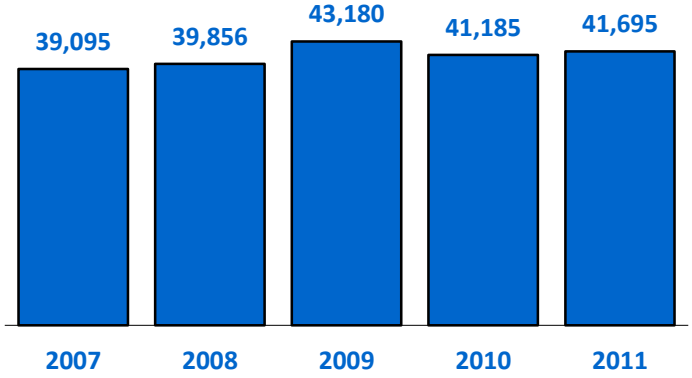
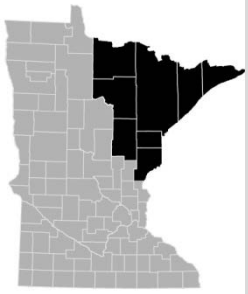


ARROWHEAD TRANSIT



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2011 Highlights

- Added Pine County to our system.
- Participated in welcoming events at three local colleges and was a vendor at the Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans.
- Rural Rides (JARC) presented at a workshop titled "Challenging Commutes Meet Innovative Solutions" at the 2011 annual conference in Indianapolis, Ind.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency
Type of Government: Community Action Program (CAP)
Area Served: Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake , Pine and St. Louis counties
Legislative Senate District: 03, 04, 05, 06, 07 and 08
Legislative House District: 03A, 03B, 04A, 05A, 05B, 06A, 06B, 07A, 07B, 08A and 08B
Congressional District: 8

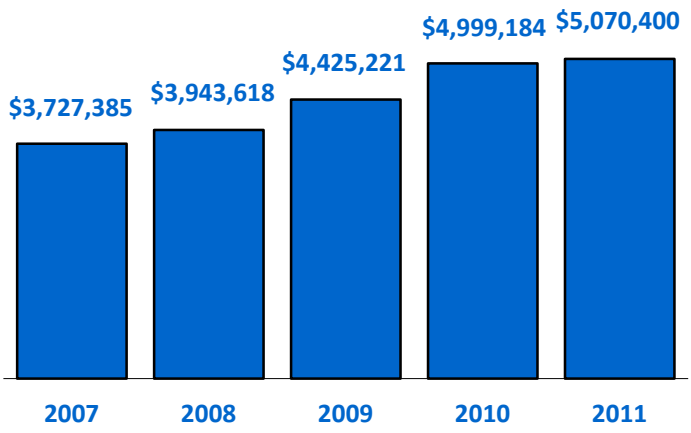
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 11 Class 400 and 70 Class 500
Service Type: Route deviation, dial-a-ride and route guarantee
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Base Fare: $1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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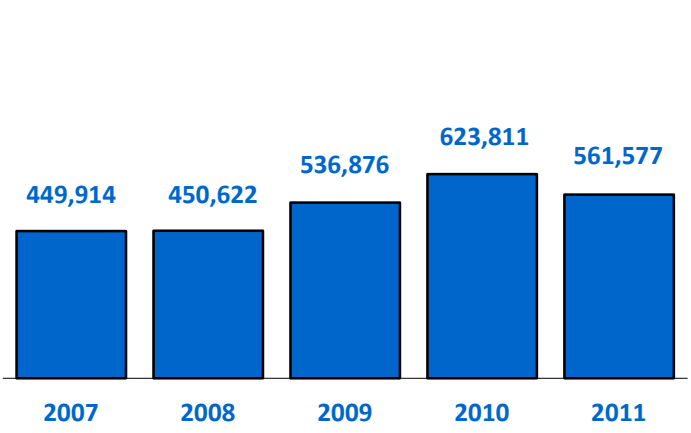

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2011 Highlights

- Surpassed 80,000 rides for the first time ever.
- Continued a trend of increased ridership with more than 4 percent increase in 2011.
- Reduced the cost per ride by 5.5 percent from 2010 to 2011.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	AMCAT Joint Powers Board
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Austin and Mower County
Legislative Senate District:	27
Legislative House District:	27A and 27B
Congressional District:	1

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	10 Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation, dial-a-ride, route guarantee and subscription
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50; $2.50 dial-a-ride

System Data

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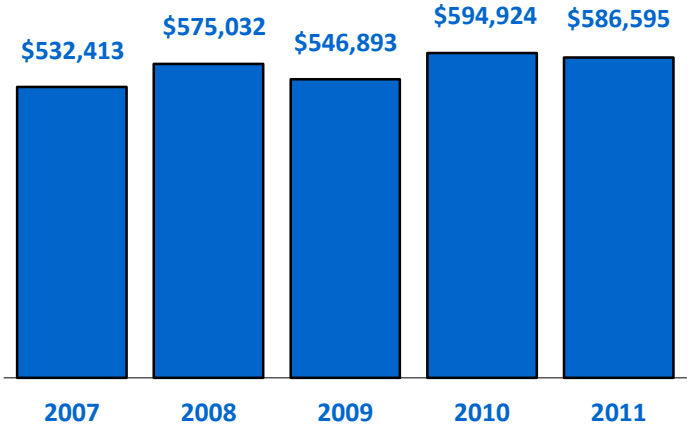

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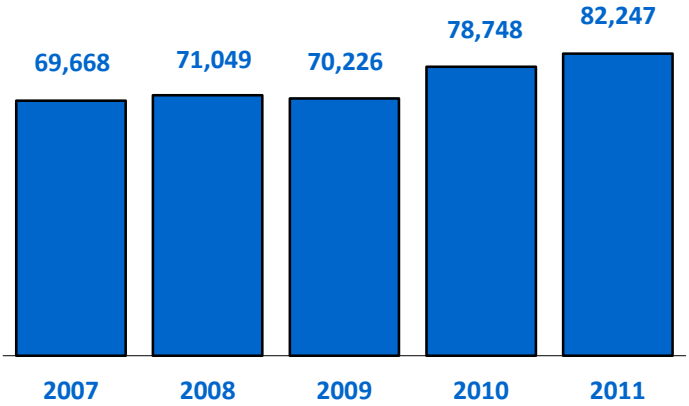

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2011 Highlights

- Raised awareness of public transportation at several local events.
- Increased coordination efforts with surrounding systems to improve access and reduce ride denials.
- Increased volunteer driver and bus ridership 10 percent.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Becker County Transit
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Detroit Lakes and Becker County
Legislative Senate District:	02, 09 and 10
Legislative House District:	02A, 09B and 10B
Congressional District:	7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Five Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50 per five-mile increments

System Data

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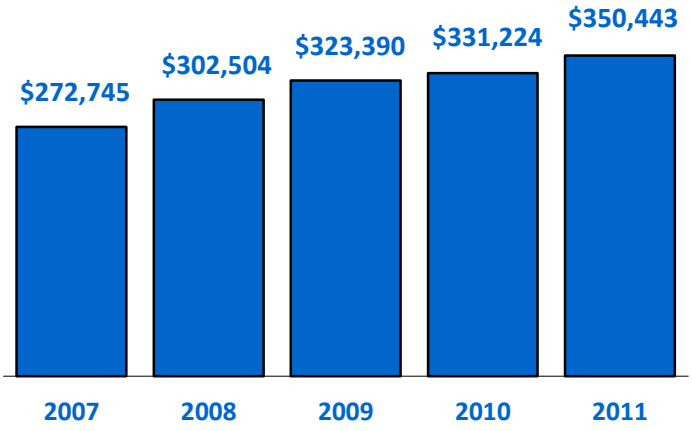

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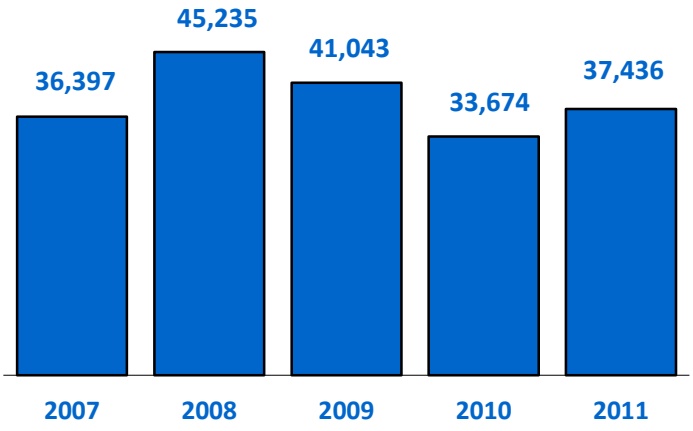

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2011 Highlights

- Replaced two buses in the fleet.
- Coordinated future dispatch operations with Prairie Five Rides.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Benson
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Benson
Legislative District:	20A
Congressional District:	7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1

System Data

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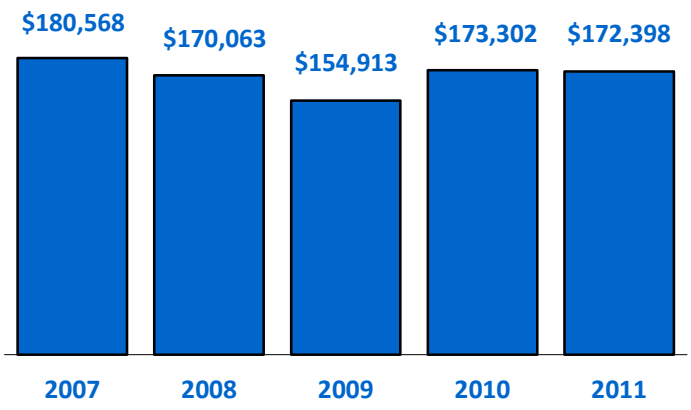

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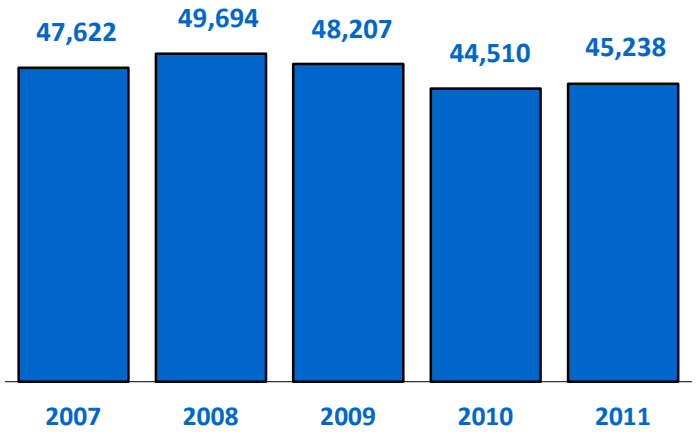

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2011 Highlights

- Established year round route deviation service for Brainerd and Baxter residents.
- Added additional wheelchair securement and seizure recognition trainings to driver curriculum.
- Conducted one-to-one coordination meetings with area providers to identify duplication and shortfalls.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: City of Brainerd
Type of Government: City
Area Served: Brainerd and Baxter; and Crow Wing County
Legislative District: 12A
Congressional District: 8

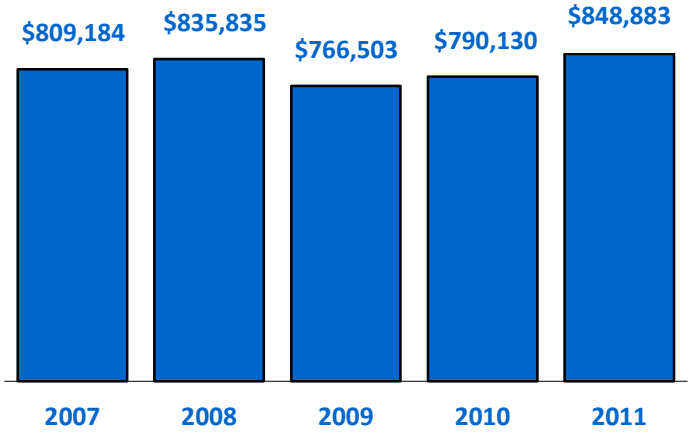
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Eight Class 400
Service Type: Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 7:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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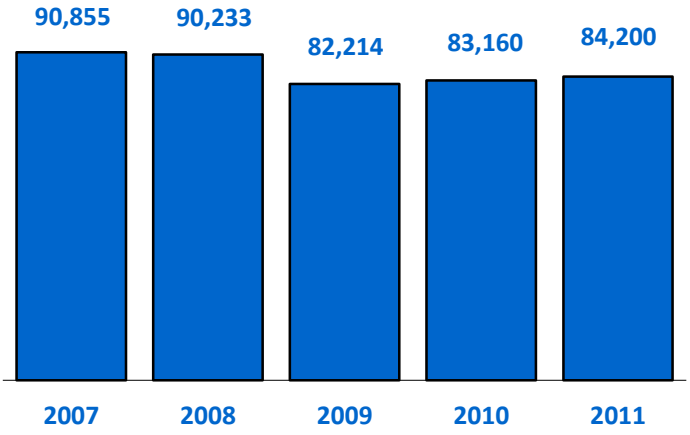

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2011 Highlights

- Implemented RouteMatch scheduling and dispatching software.
- Updated vehicle maintenance policies and procedures as well as adopted a new facility maintenance plan.
- Recognized a retiring bus driver following nearly 17 years of dedicated service.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Brown County Family Services
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	New Ulm and Brown County
Legislative Senate District:	21
Legislative House District:	21B
Congressional District:	1

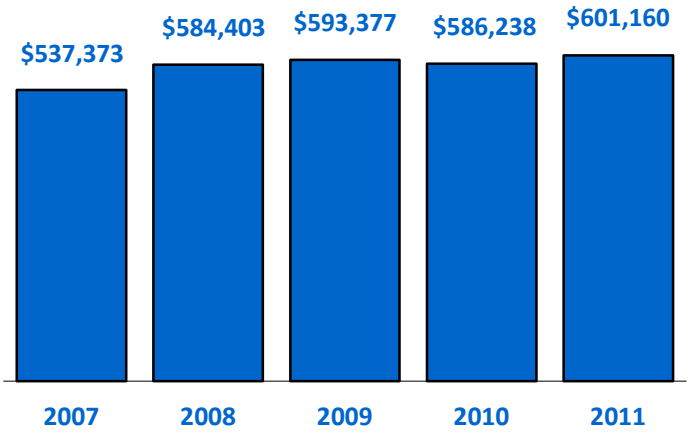
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Five Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7:15 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday	No service
Sunday	8 a.m. - noon
Base Fare:	$1.25

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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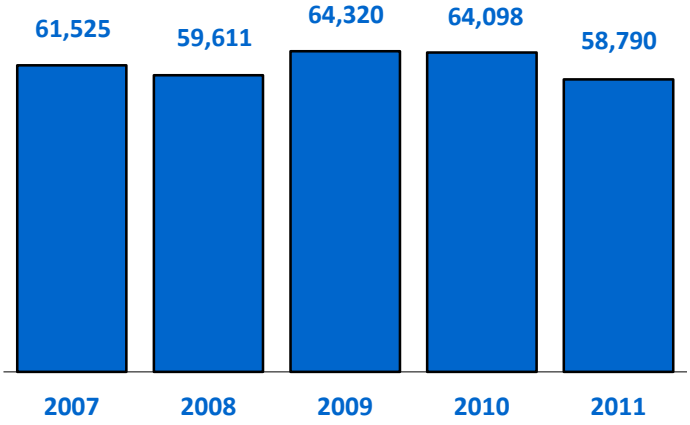

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2011 Highlights

- Started extension service from North Branch area to Forest Lake and Lindstrom to Forest Lake twice in the morning and twice in the afternoon to connect with the Rush Line 285 Commuter Route into downtown St. Paul.
- Worked with Anoka County to provide extension service from Cambridge to East Bethel.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Isanti County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Chisago and Isanti counties
Legislative Senate District:	08 and 17
Legislative House District:	08B, 17A and 17B
Congressional District:	8

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	12 Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
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Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50-$3.50

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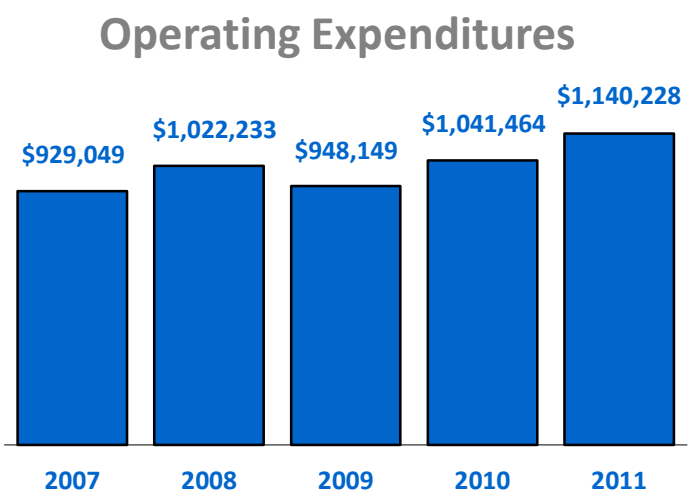

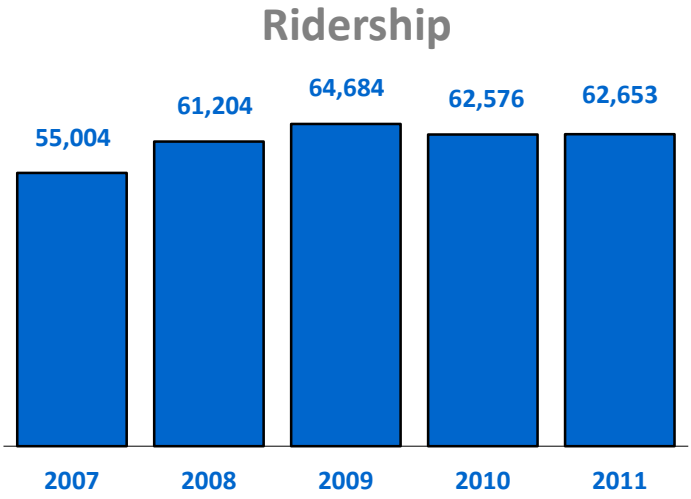

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2011 Highlights

- Maintained ridership levels.
- Recorded an accident-free year.
- Increased passenger rates on Sept. 1, 2011, after several years at same rate.

System Snapshot

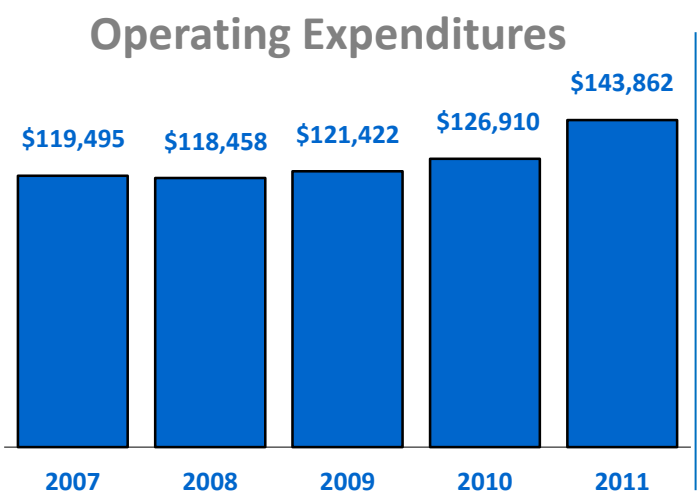
Legal Name:	Cottonwood County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Cottonwood County
Legislative Senate District:	22
Legislative House District:	22B
Congressional District:	1

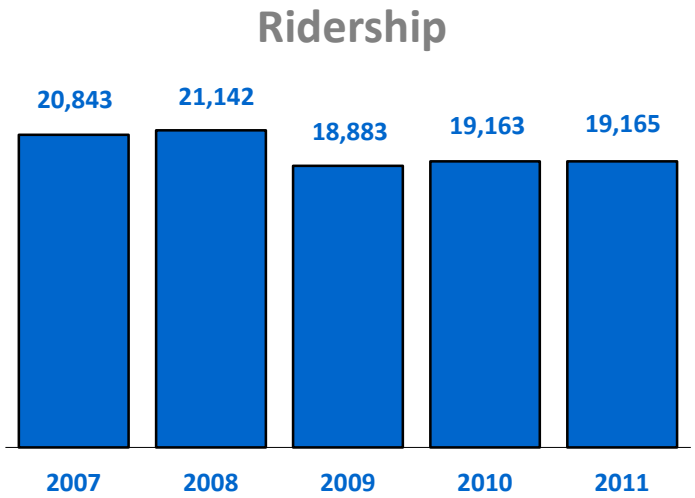
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Two Class 400
Service Type:	Demand response (dial-a-ride)
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50 children/students; $2 adults

System Data





DAWSON HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Prepared for incorporating Dawson Heartland Express into Prairie Five Rides on July 1, 2012.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Dawson
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Dawson
Legislative District:	20A
Congressional District:	7

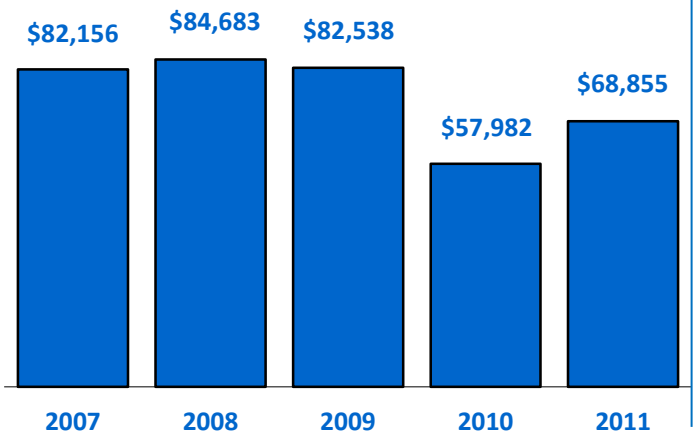
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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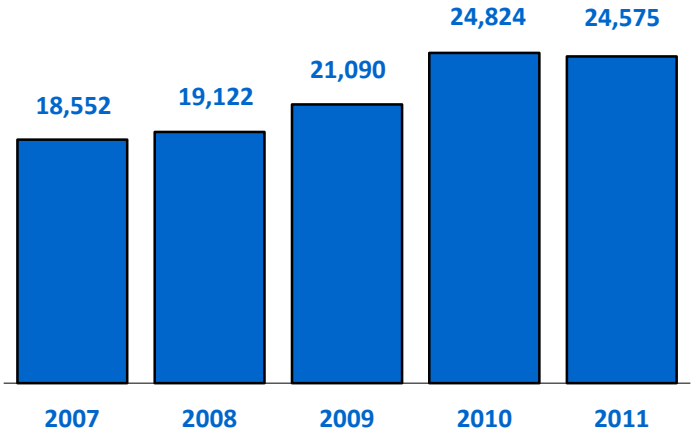

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2011 Highlights

- Increased service with new late night and holiday services.
- Operated more than 20,000 additional miles of service, yet consumed 1,500 fewer gallons of fuel due to efficiency of newer buses in fleet.
- Produced a record ridership of 567,354 on the successful U-Pass Program in 2011.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Duluth Transit Authority
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Duluth, Hermantown, Proctor and Superior, Wis.
Legislative District:	06B, 07A and 07B
Congressional District:	8

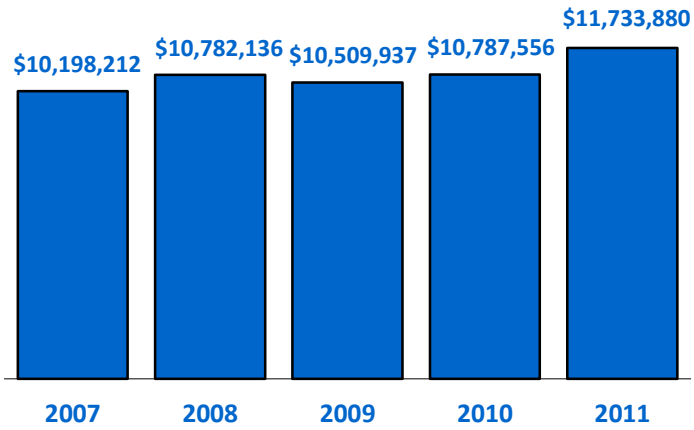
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	63 Class 700
Service Type:	Fixed route
Funding Class:	Urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	4:30 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.
Saturday	6:02 a.m. - 8:04 p.m.
Sunday	7:37 a.m. - 7:39 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1.50 peak; $0.75 off peak

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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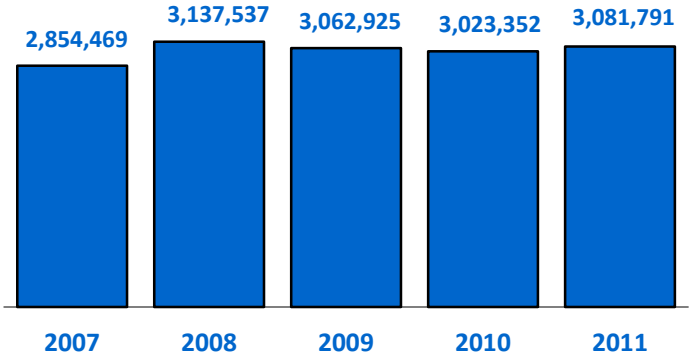

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2011 Highlights

- Increased service with new late night and holiday services.
- Improved contract services in Superior, Wis, by providing another vehicle.
- Continued upward ridership trend with 5 percent increase since 2006.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Duluth Transit Authority
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Duluth, Hermantown, Proctor and Superior, Wis.
Legislative District:	06B, 07A and 07B
Congressional District:	8

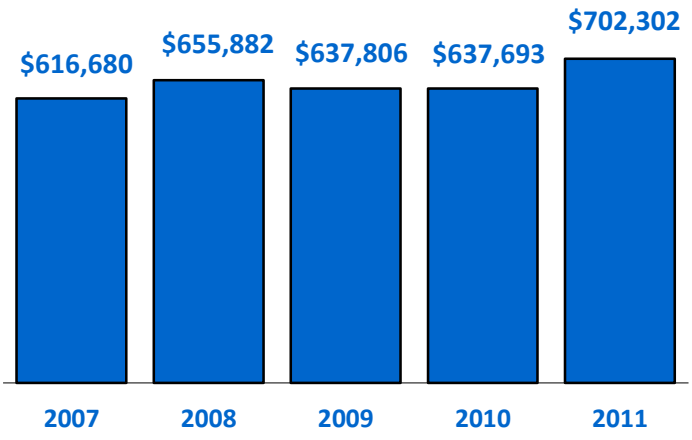
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Nine Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Urban/complementary

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	4:30 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.
Saturday	6:02 a.m. – 8:04 p.m.
Sunday	7:37 a.m. – 7:39 p.m.
Base Fare:	$3 peak; $1.50 off-peak

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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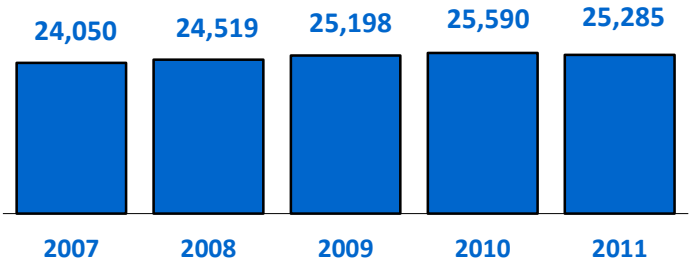

EAST GRAND FORKS TRANSIT – REGULAR ROUTE

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 16 percent.
- Continued partnership with Northland Technical and Community College of East Grand Forks.
- Continued partnership with the city of Grand Forks.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of East Grand Forks
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	East Grand Forks
Legislative District:	01B
Congressional District:	7

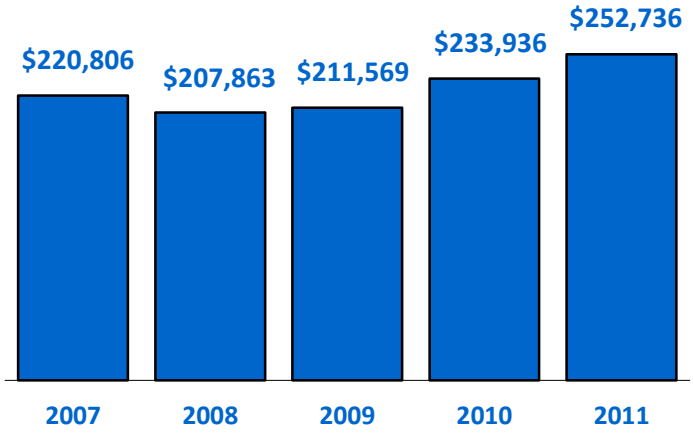
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 500
Service Type:	Fixed route
Funding Class:	Urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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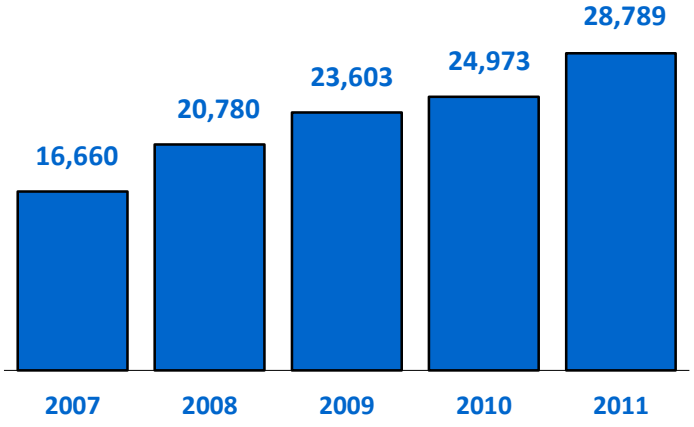

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2011 Highlights

- Continued partnership with the city of Grand Forks.

System Snapshot

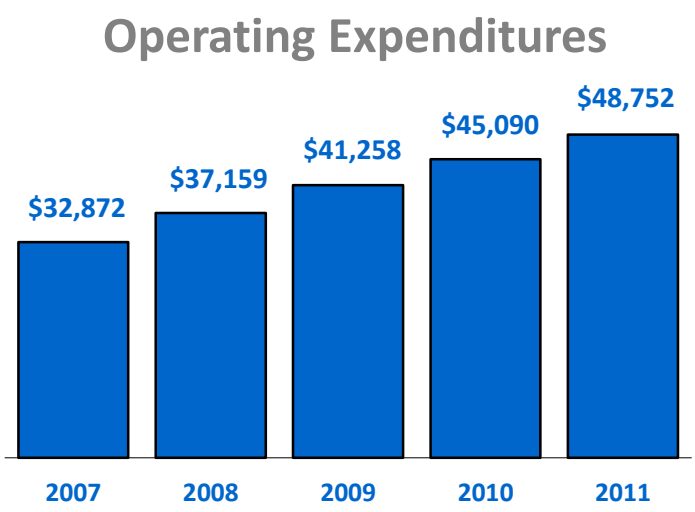
Legal Name:	City of East Grand Forks
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	East Grand Forks
Legislative District:	01B
Congressional District:	7

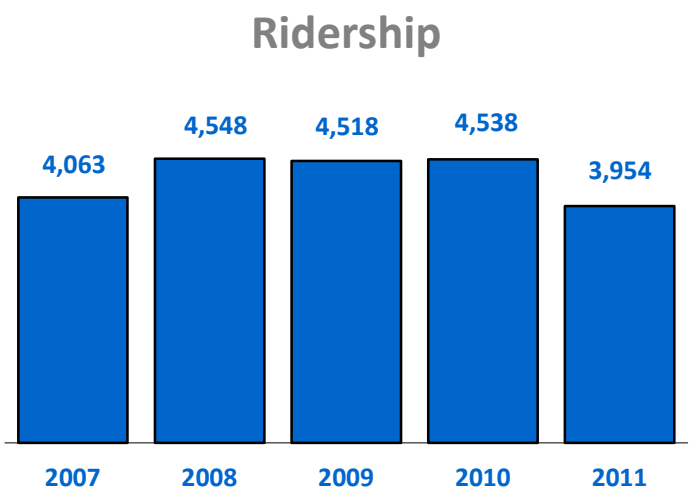
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Six mini-vans
Service Type:	Paratransit/dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	urban, complementary

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3

System Data





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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 8 percent.
- Installed security cameras on all active buses.

System Snapshot

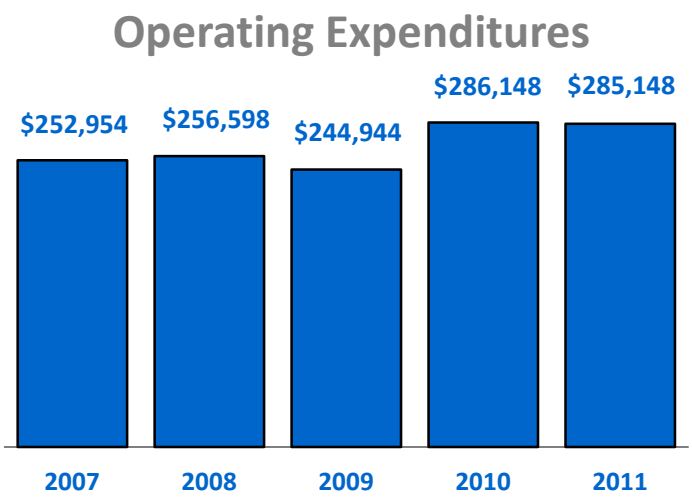
Legal Name: Roseau County Committee on Aging
Type of Government: Joint powers
Area Served: Roseau and Lake of the Woods counties
Legislative Senate District: 01 and 03
Legislative House District: 01A and 03A
Congressional District: 7

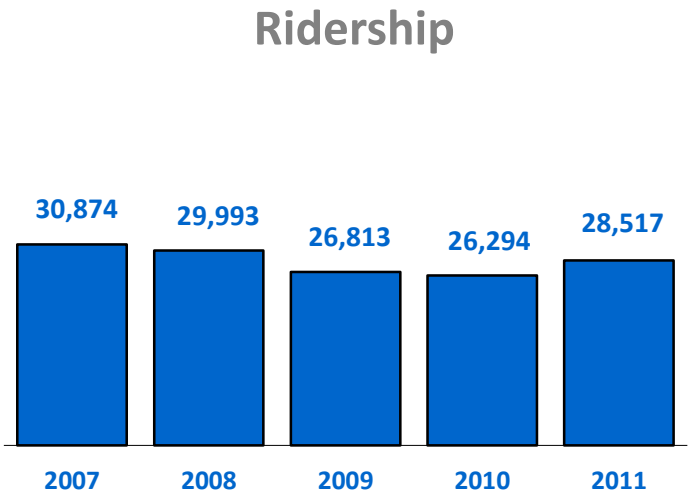
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Four Class 400
Service Type: Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.50 in-city rides in Roseau County; $1 in-city rides in Lake of the Woods County

System Data





FARIBAULT COUNTY PRAIRIE EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Continued expanded service hours while operating within budget.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Faribault County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Faribault County
Legislative Senate District:	23, 24, 26 and 27
Legislative House District:	23B, 24A, 24B, 26A and 27A
Congressional District:	1

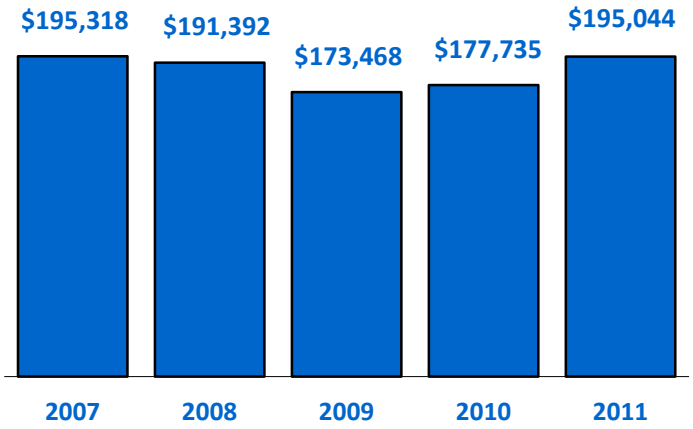
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Two Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3 trip originating in Faribault County; $6 trip originating outside Faribault County

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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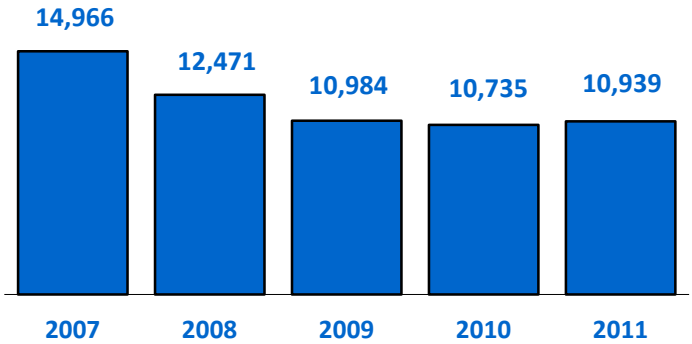

FARIBAULT FLYER

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2011 Highlights

- Incorporated Faribault Flyer into Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit as of Jan. 1, 2012.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Faribault
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Faribault
Legislative District:	26B
Congressional District:	2

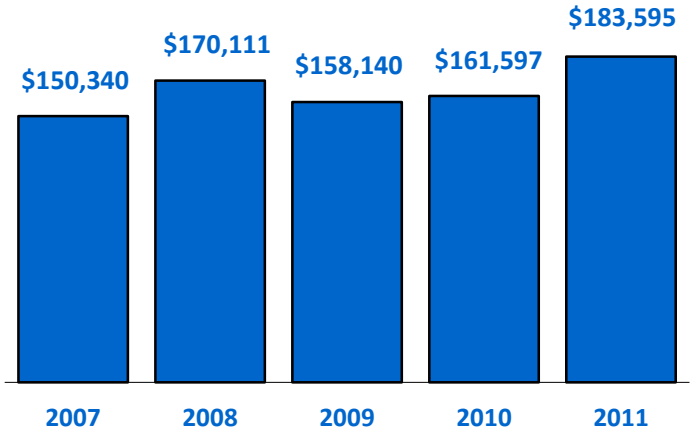
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1.25

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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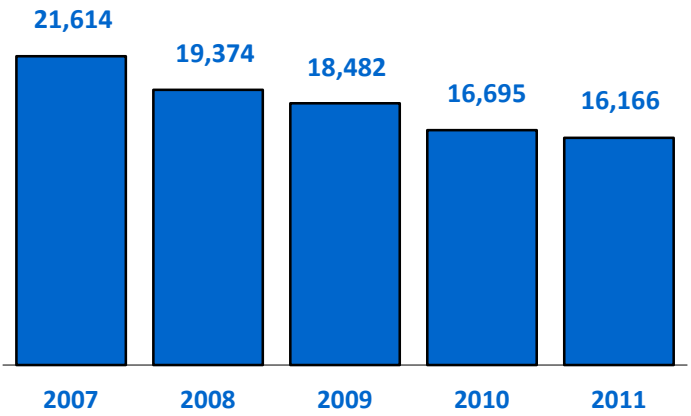

FOSSTON TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Provided a new bus for public transit patrons.
- Remained accident/incident free throughout 2011.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Fosston
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Fosston
Legislative District:	02A
Congressional District:	7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday	No service
Sunday	8 a.m. - noon
Base Fare:	50 cents

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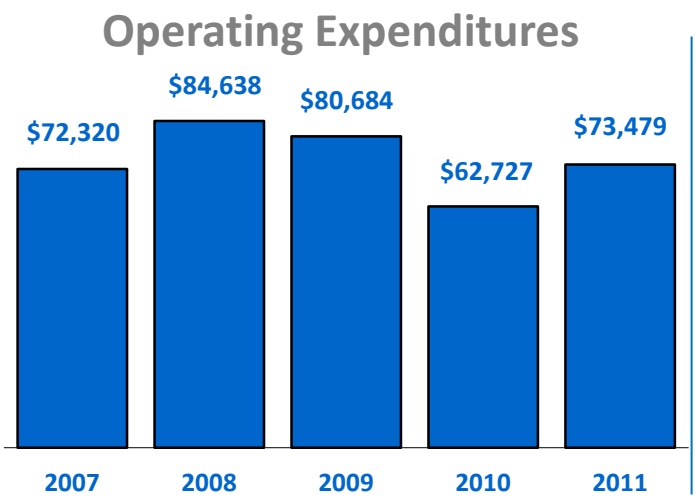

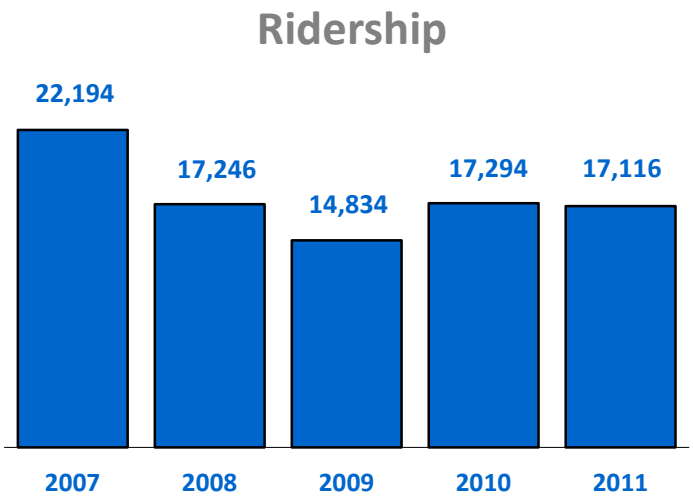

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership from 2010.
- Remained accident free through the year.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Granite Falls
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Granite Falls
Legislative District:	20B
Congressional District:	7

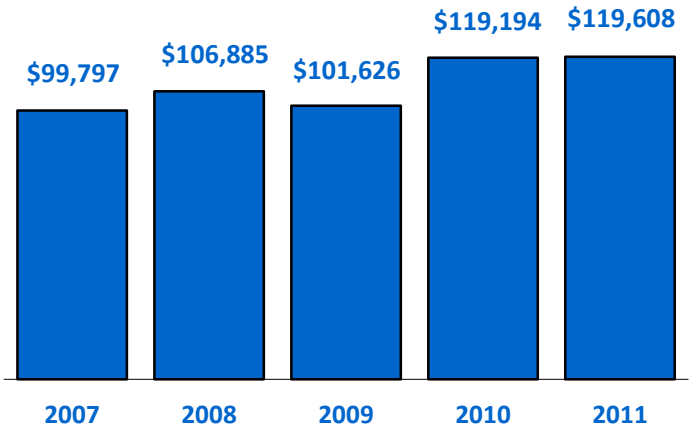
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday	No service
Sunday	7 a.m. - noon
Base Fare:	$2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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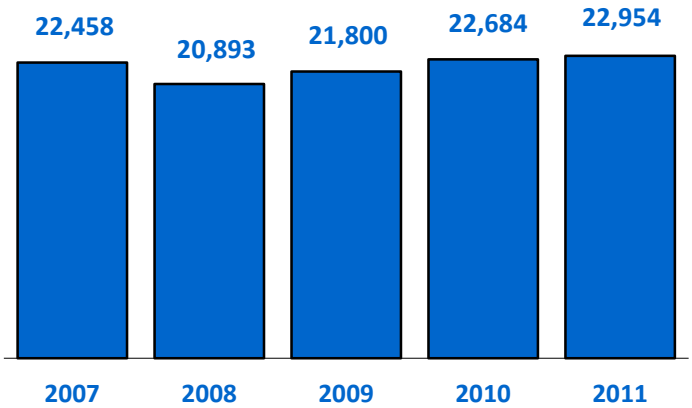

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2011 Highlights

- Continued substantial growth in ridership.
- Established a Transit Advisory Committee of community stakeholders.
- Completed the Hibbing Transit Operations Study with Arrowhead Regional Development Commission.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Hibbing
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Hibbing
Legislative District:	05B
Congressional District:	8

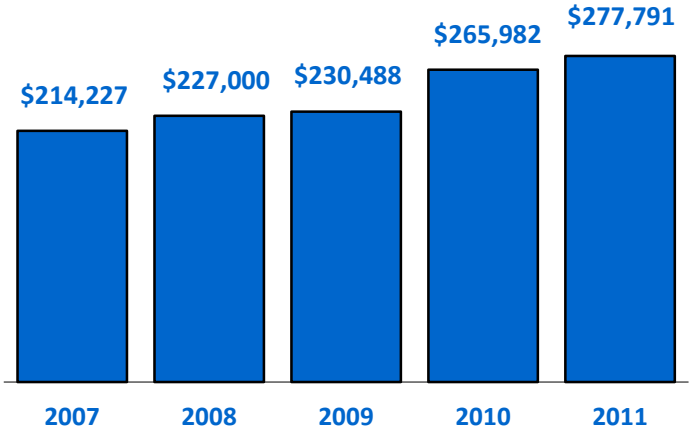
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 500
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sunday	9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Base Fare:	$2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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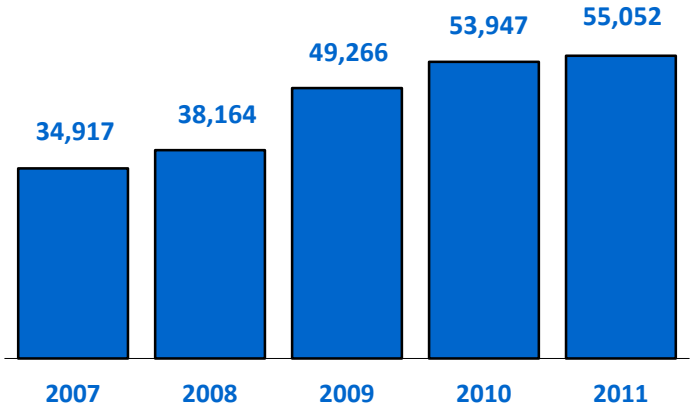

HUBBARD COUNTY HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Implemented shared dispatching with Paul Bunyan Transit.
- Increased ridership 15 percent over 2010 with high increases in children's rides.
- Continued joint efforts with community education marketing.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Hubbard County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Hubbard County
Legislative Senate District:	02 and 04
Legislative House District:	02B and 04B
Congressional District:	8

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation, dial-a-ride and volunteer
Funding Class:	Rural
Service Hours:	
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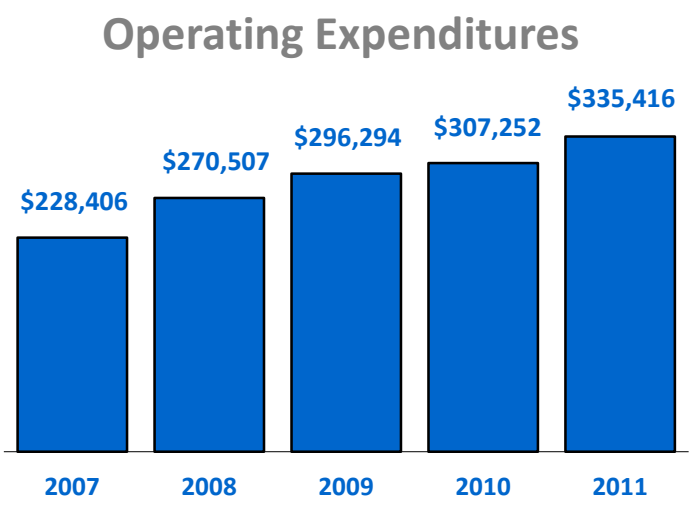
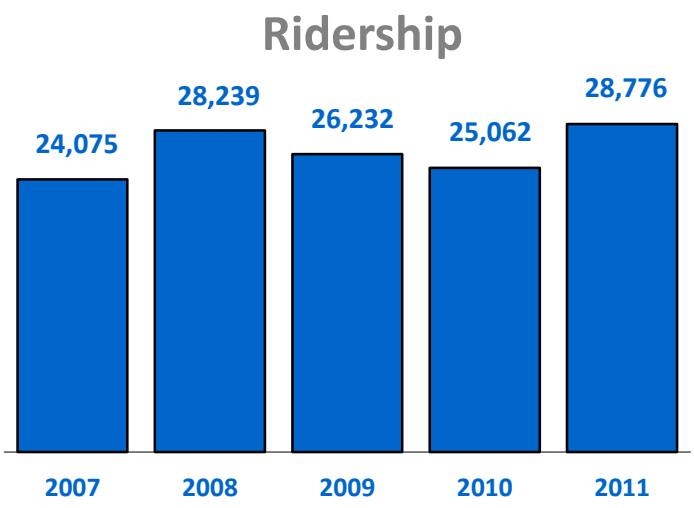
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data





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2011 Highlights

- Maintained ridership on the Public Transportation program.
- Continued providing a Job Access Reverse Commute work route to meet the needs of low-income individuals.
- Promoted coordination of senior and disabled transportation needs using a 5310-funded vehicle.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Kandiyohi Area Transit Joint Powers Board
Type of Government: Joint Powers Board
Area Served: Willmar and Kandiyohi County
Legislative Senate District: 13
Legislative House District: 13A and 13B
Congressional District: 7

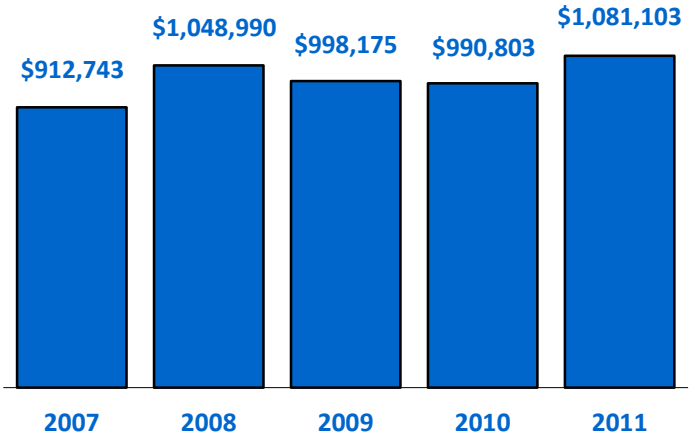
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Nine Class 400 and three Class 500
Service Type: Deviated route and demand response
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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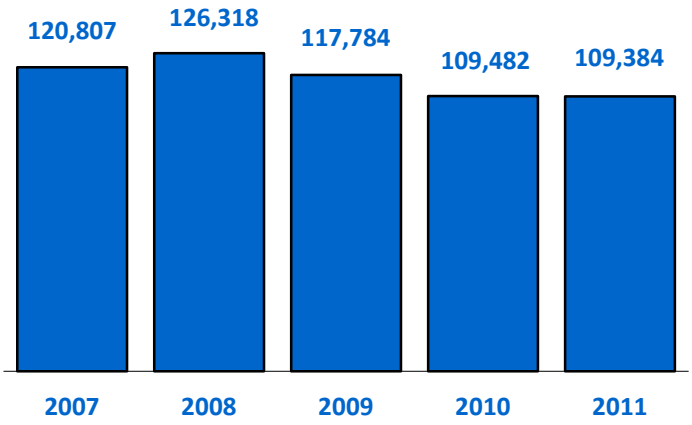

LA CRESCENT APPLE EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Continued partnership with the city of La Crosse for transit service.
- Increased ridership by 17 percent.
- Improved coordination with Jefferson Lines at Grand River Station in La Crosse.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of La Crescent
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	La Crescent and La Crosse, Wis.
Legislative District:	31A and 31B
Congressional District:	1

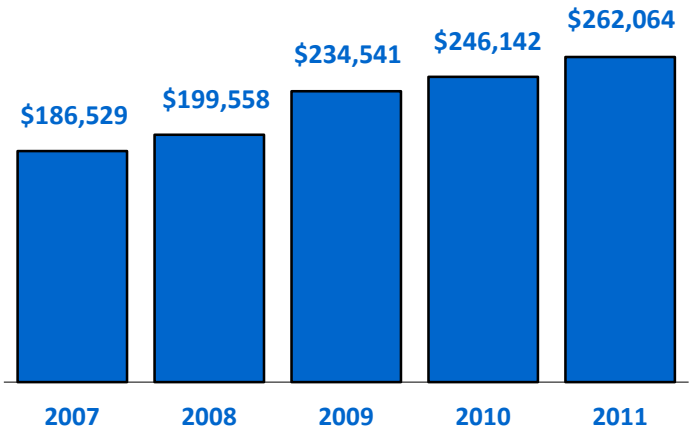
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 600
Service Type:	Route deviation
Funding Class:	Urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.25 adult; 60 cents senior

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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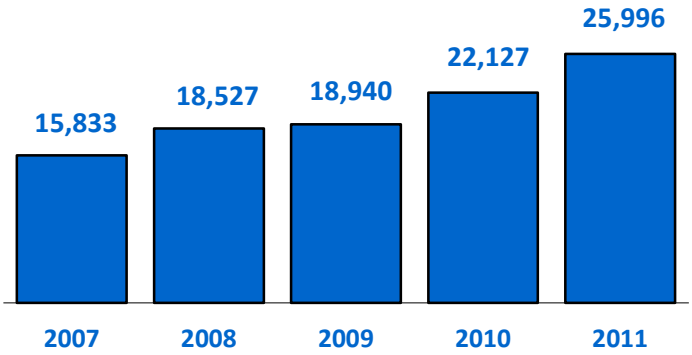

LE SUEUR HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Recorded an accident-free year.
- Continued to operate within budget.

System Snapshot

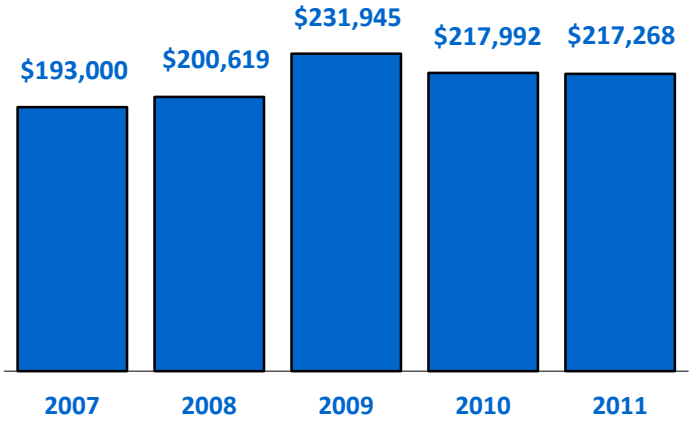
Legal Name:	City of Le Sueur
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Le Sueur
Legislative District:	25A
Congressional District:	2 and 7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Two Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation, dial-a-ride, route guarantee and subscription
Funding Class:	Small urban
Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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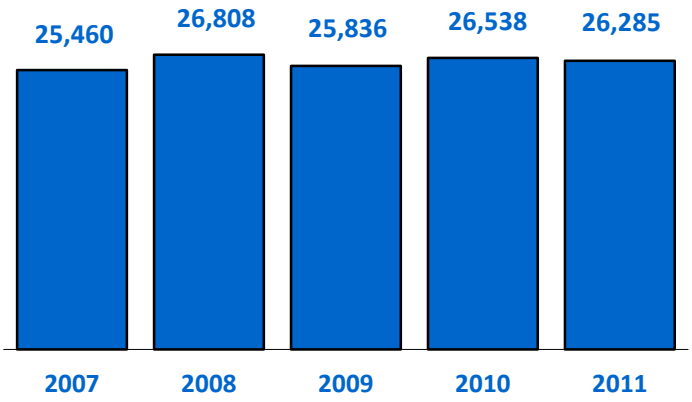

LINCOLN COUNTY HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Promoted public transit to people that didn't know about the service.
- Made strides in getting people more access in using the service.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Lincoln County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Lincoln County
Legislative Senate District:	20
Legislative House District:	20A
Congressional District:	7

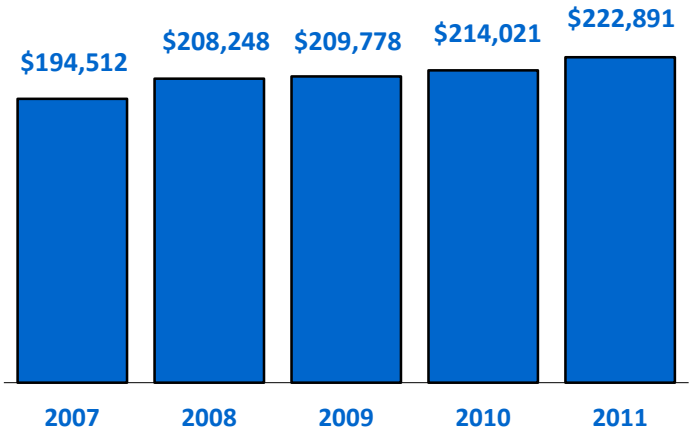
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Two Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	Varies by ride/destination

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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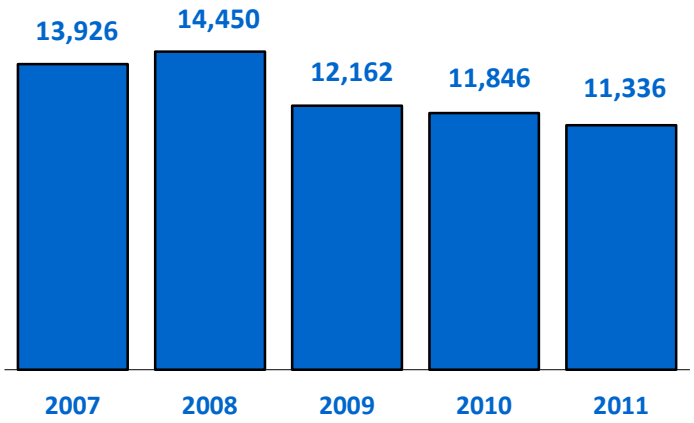

MAHNOMEN COUNTY HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Provided transportation services for five Mahnomen County residents to and from the Norman County DAC on a daily basis.
- Continued to provide rides for passengers in a timely manner.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Mahnomen County Human Services
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Mahnomen County
Legislative Senate District:	02
Legislative House District:	02A
Congressional District:	7

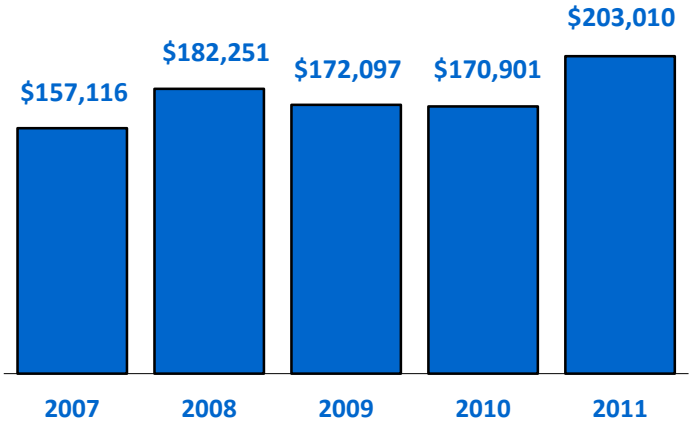
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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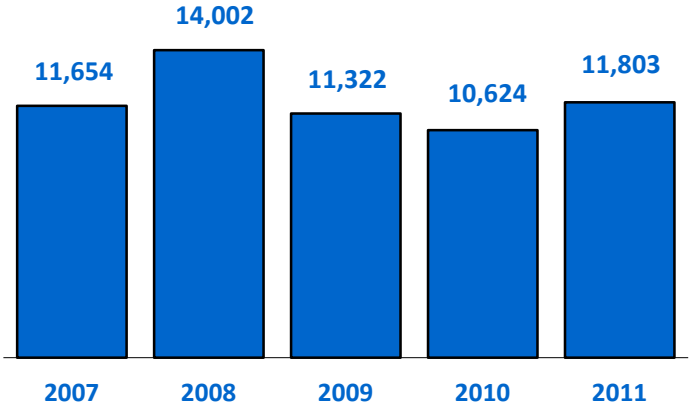

MANKATO – GREATER MANKATO TRANSIT SYSTEM

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 2.5 percent from 2010 and 18 percent from 2007.
- Initiated the Greater Mankato Transit Redesign Study to redesign the fixed route system and study a regional transit concept.
- Secured partial funding for construction of new transit facility.

System Snapshot

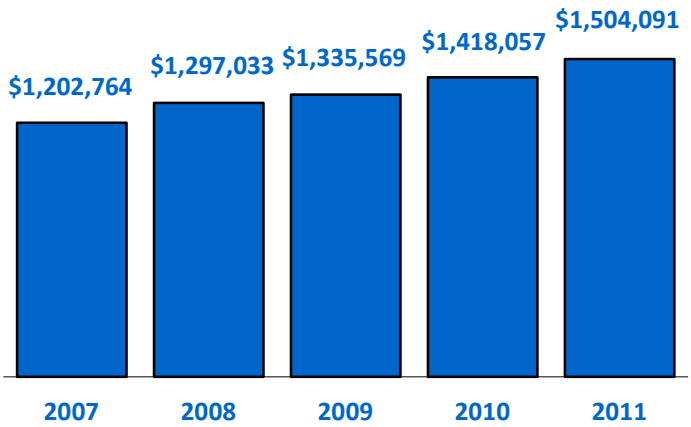
Legal Name:	City of Mankato
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Mankato and North Mankato
Legislative District:	23A and 23B
Congressional District:	1

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Six Class 500, two Class 600 and eight Class 700
Service Type:	Fixed route and complementary paratransit
Funding Class:	Small urban
Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6:35 a.m. - 5:35 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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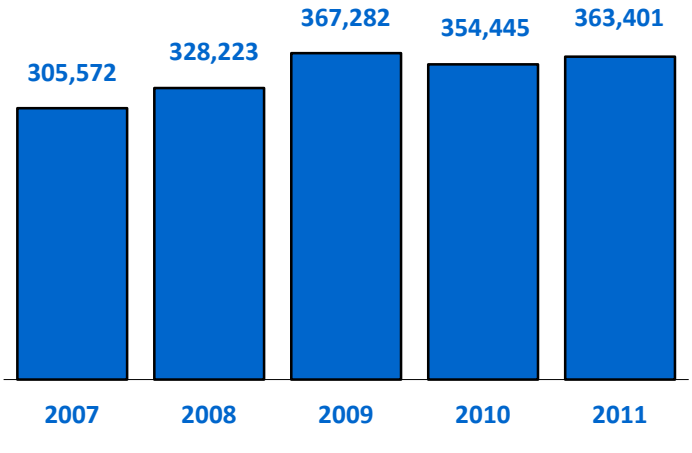

MARTIN COUNTY TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Implemented RouteMatch scheduling and dispatching software.
- Expanded office space for drivers and dispatchers.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Martin County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Fairmont and Martin County
Legislative Senate District:	24
Legislative House District:	24A
Congressional District:	1

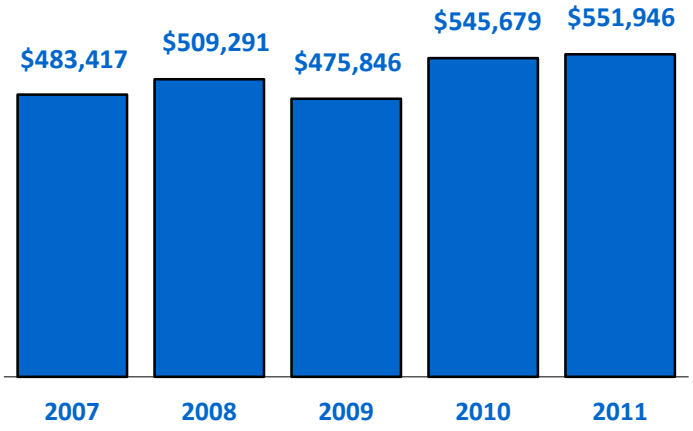
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Seven Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	5 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	5 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Base Fare:	$2.75 city of Fairmont; $3.25 county

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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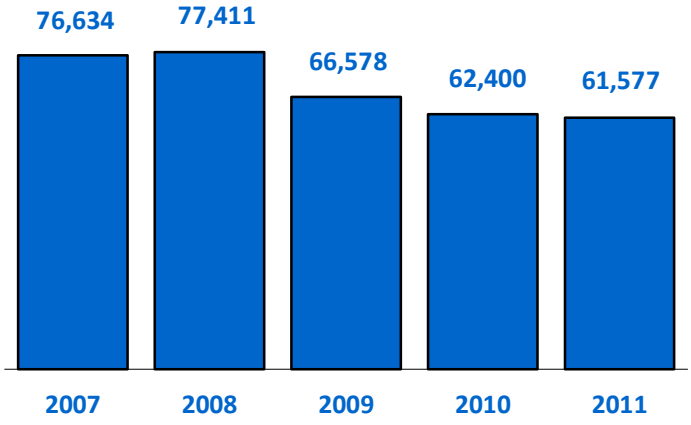

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2011 Highlights

- Implemented RouteMatch scheduling and dispatching software to become more efficient and cost effective by coordinating rides and to track and report key statistics more easily.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Ecumen dba/Meeker Public Transit
Type of Government: County
Area Served: Litchfield and Meeker County
Legislative Senate District: 18
Legislative House District: 18A and 18B
Congressional District: 7

System Characteristics

Vehicles: Six Class 400
Service Type: Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. (Jan-April/Oct.-Dec.)
Sunday 8 a.m. - noon
Base Fare: $1.50 (ages 3-15 and 56+) one way in town; $2 (ages 16-55) one way in town; $3 one way in county

System Data

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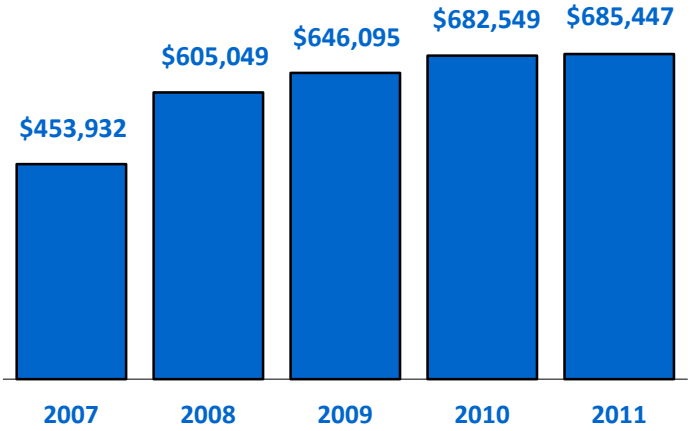

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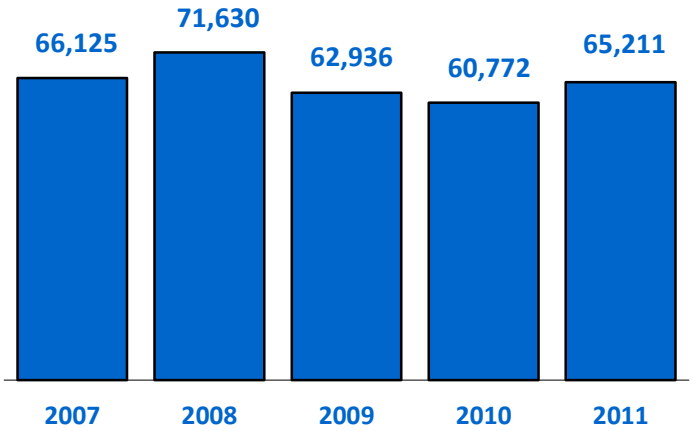

MONTEVIDEO TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 2,000 rides in 2011. This marks the third consecutive year of increased ridership.
- Established two contracts for transportation services with area agencies.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Montevideo
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Montevideo
Legislative District:	20B
Congressional District:	7

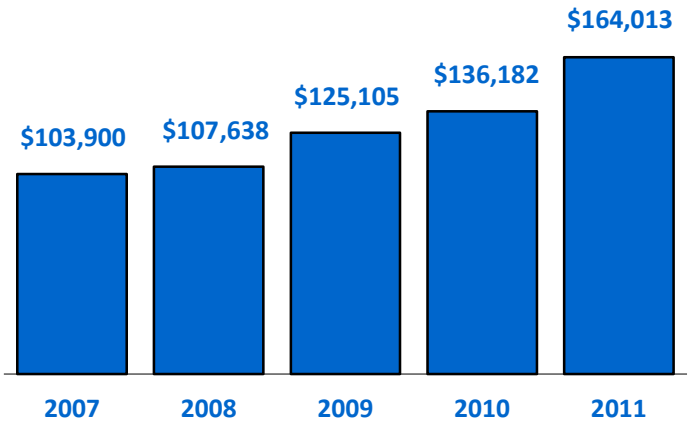
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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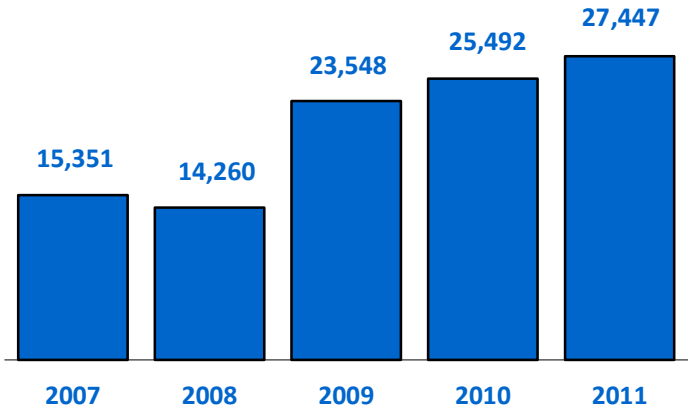
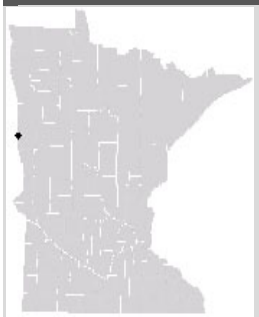


MOORHEAD METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT (MAT)



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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 15 percent over 2010.
- Improved route identification by installing electronic display signs to the rear and front window of the buses.
- Completed and adopted the 2012-16 Transit Development Plan.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Moorhead
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Dilworth and Moorhead
Legislative District:	09A and 09B
Congressional District:	7

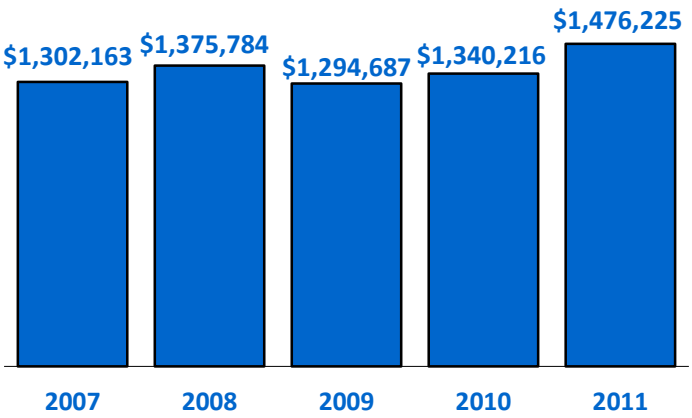
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	10 Class 700
Service Type:	Fixed route
Funding Class:	Urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6:15 a.m. - 10:15 p.m.
Saturday	7:15 a.m. - 10:15 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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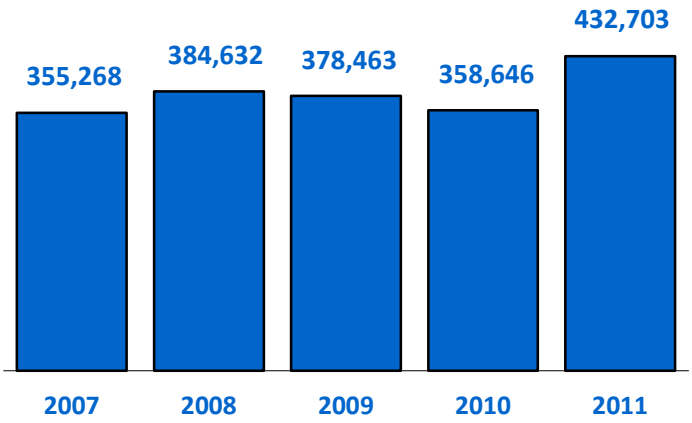

MOORHEAD METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT-PARATRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Improved safety by installing back-up cameras on all paratransit vehicles.
- Provided driver training on epilepsy/seizures and communication.
- Distributed more than 5,000 FM Ridesource directories to medical and human service providers.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Moorhead
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Dilworth and Moorhead
Legislative District:	09A and 09B
Congressional District:	7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 400 and three vans
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Urban and complementary

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6:15 a.m. - 10:15 p.m.
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Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3

System Data

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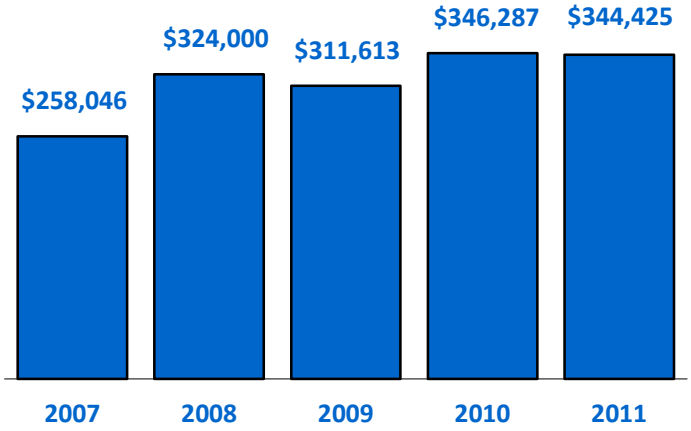

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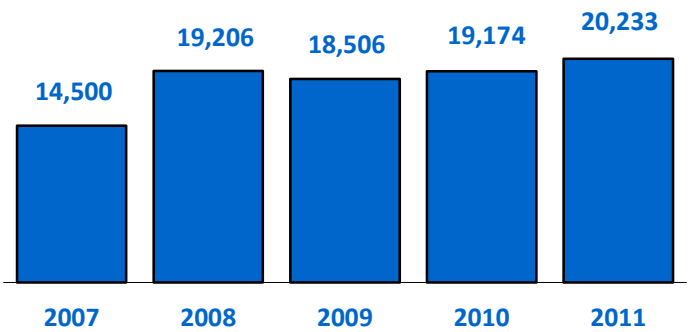

MORRIS TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Marketed and provided rides to international students at the Univ. of Minnesota, Morris.
- Connected workers and their families with rides to school, stores, clinics, etc.
- Achieved second-highest annual ridership since system began in 1975.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Morris
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Morris
Legislative District:	11A
Congressional District:	7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Six Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday	noon - 4 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1.25-$2.50

System Data

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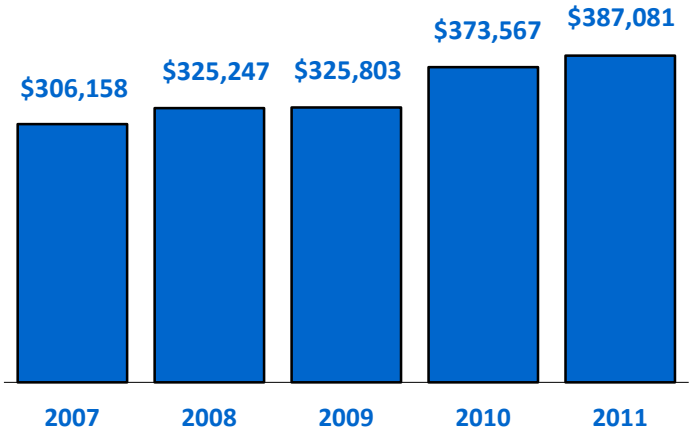

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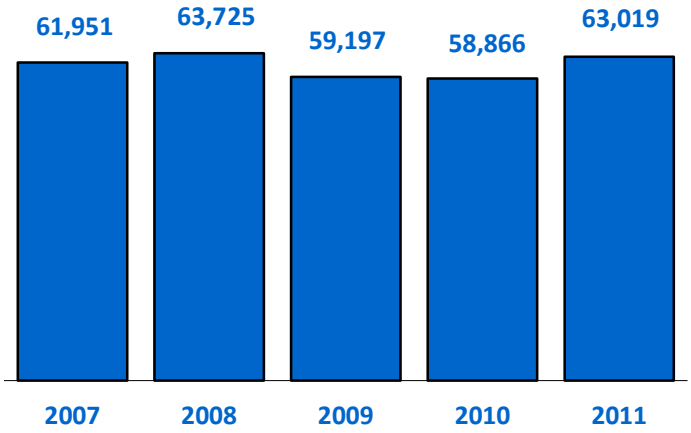

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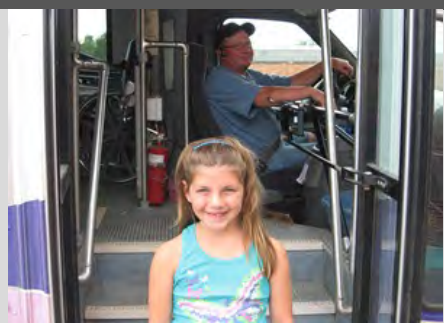


2011 Highlights

- Raised awareness of public transportation at local parades, county fair, and community meetings.
- Recorded an accident free year.
- Maintained a strong volunteer driver program.

System Snapshot

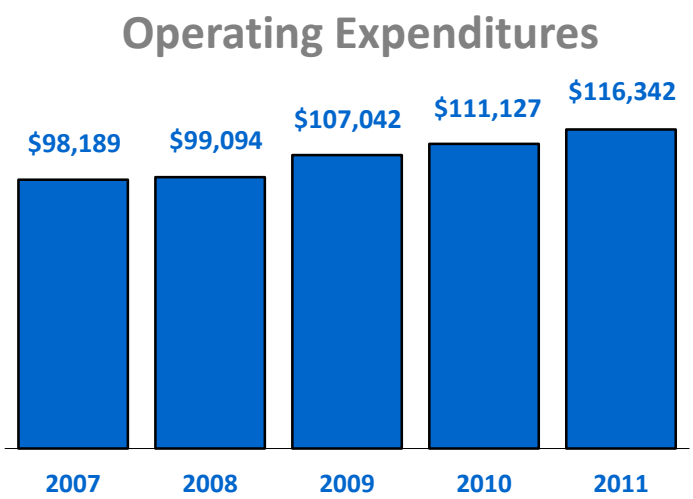
Legal Name:	Murray County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Murray County
Legislative Senate District:	22
Legislative House District:	22A
Congressional District:	1

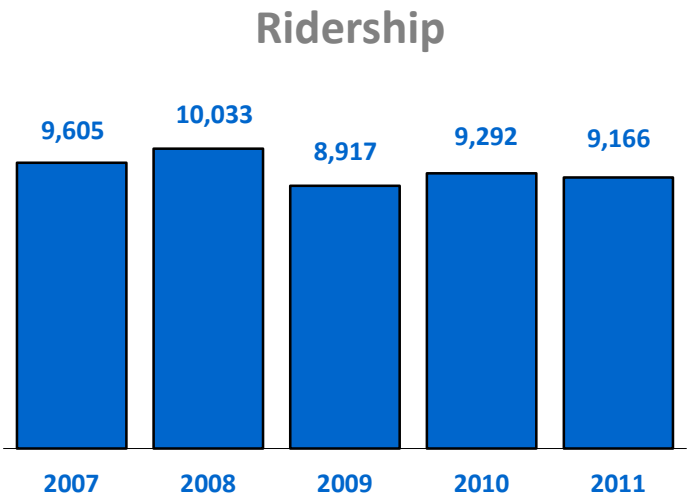
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Two Class 400
Service Type:	Demand response
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2.50-$5

System Data





NORTHFIELD TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Began route deviation system.
- Implemented fare increase to $1.25.
- Prepared for incorporation of Northfield Transit into Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit on July 1, 2012.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Northfield
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Northfield
Legislative Senate District:	25 and 36
Legislative House District:	25B and 36B
Congressional District:	2

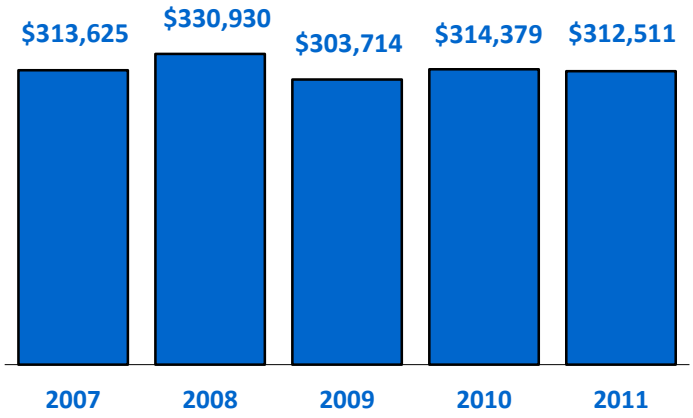
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 400 and one Class 500
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.25; $4 Jefferson Line connection

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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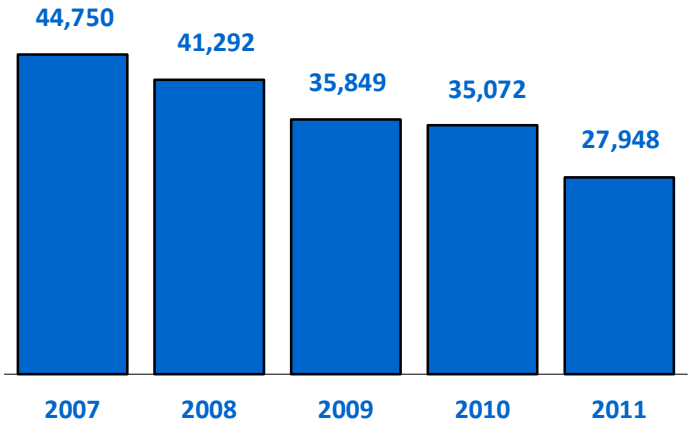

PAUL BUNYAN TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Finished construction, moved into new building and remodeled administrative building.
- Hired full-time mechanic.
- Collaborated with Jefferson Lines for Inter-City Transportation.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Paul Bunyan Transit
Type of Government:	Non-profit
Area Served:	Bemidji and Beltrami County
Legislative Senate District:	02 and 04
Legislative House District:	02B and 04A
Congressional District:	7 and 8

System Characteristics

Vehicles: 10 Class 400, two Class 500 and one van
Service Type: Route deviation, dial-a-ride and subscription
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

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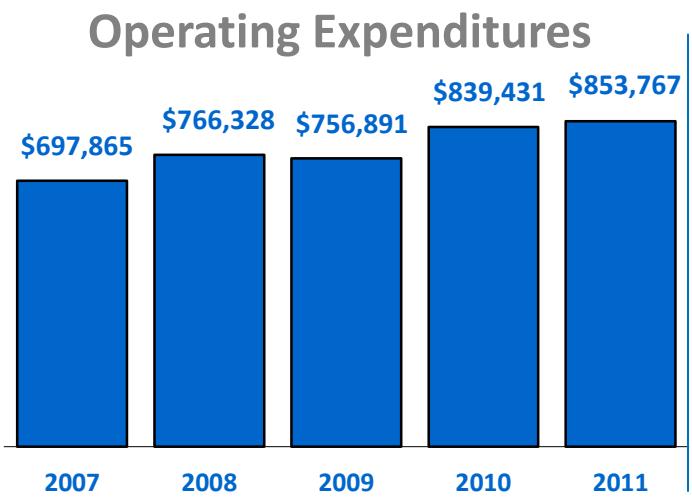

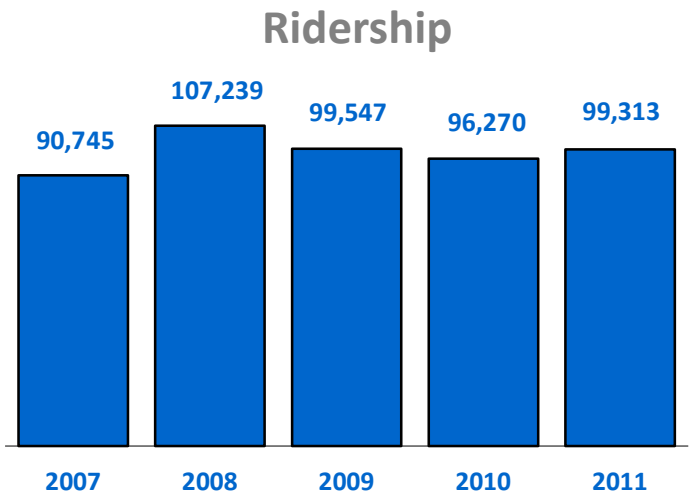

PINE RIVER RIDE WITH US BUS

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2011 Highlights

- Interviewed for an article that featured what our system offers in local newspapers and newsletters.
- Improved coordination with local business.
- Moved all record keeping to electronic entering.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Pine River
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Pine River
Legislative District:	4B
Congressional District:	8

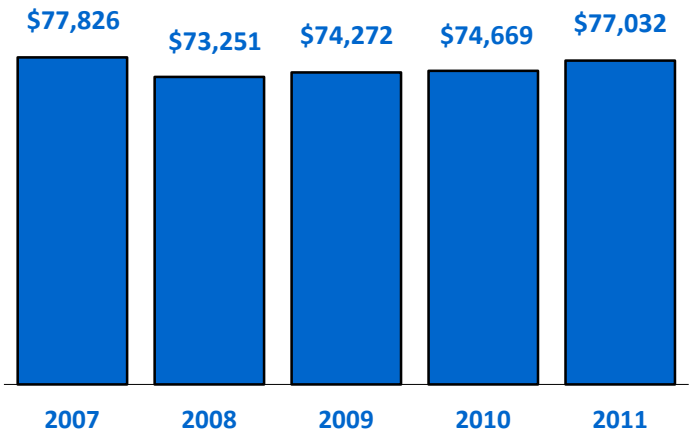
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 300
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	8:45 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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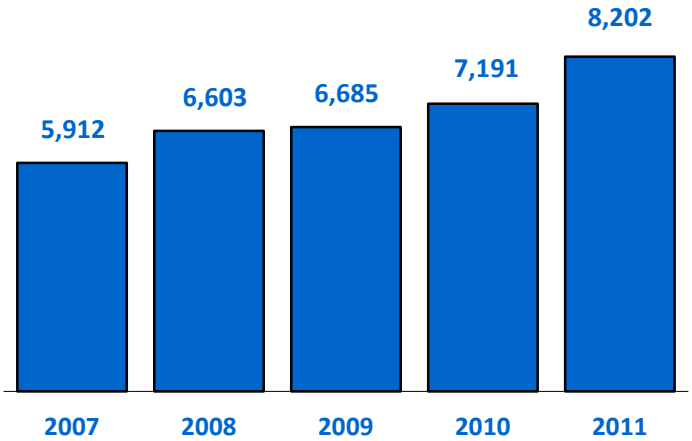

PIPESTONE COUNTY TRANSIT

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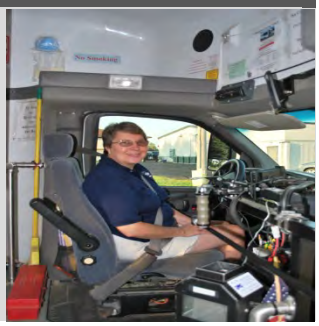


2011 Highlights

- Implemented Automatic Vehicle Locators (AVL) and Routematch scheduling and dispatching software.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Pipestone County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Pipestone County
Legislative Senate District:	22
Legislative House District:	22A
Congressional District:	1

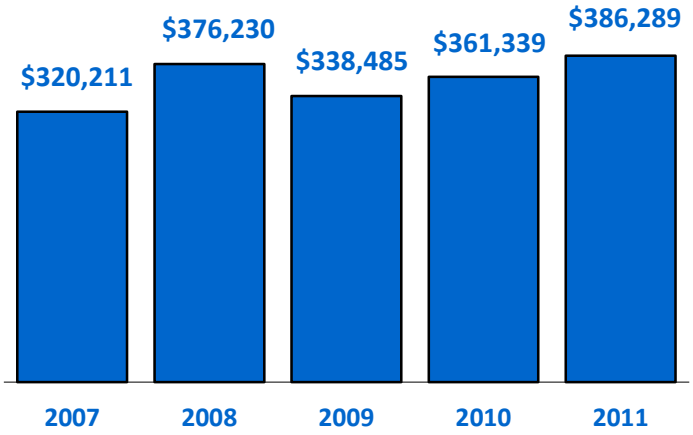
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1.75 city

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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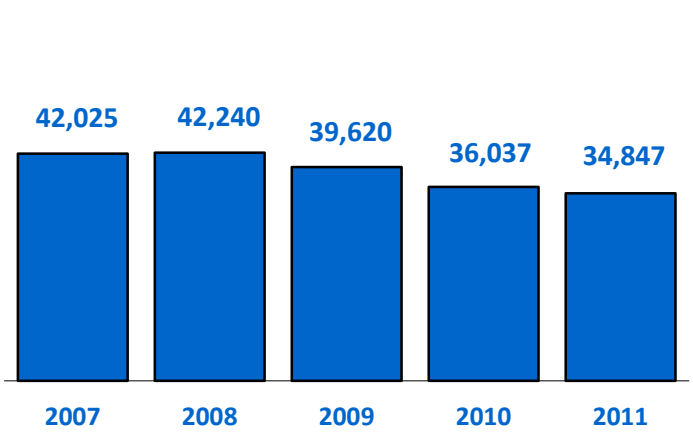

PRAIRIE FIVE RIDES

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2011 Highlights

- Collaborated with Montevideo city services to provide rides for clients with disabilities.
- Implemented a one touch call system for the bus driver to improve safety using Bluetooth technology.
- Maintained a reliable, dedicated pool of 44 volunteer drivers.

System Snapshot

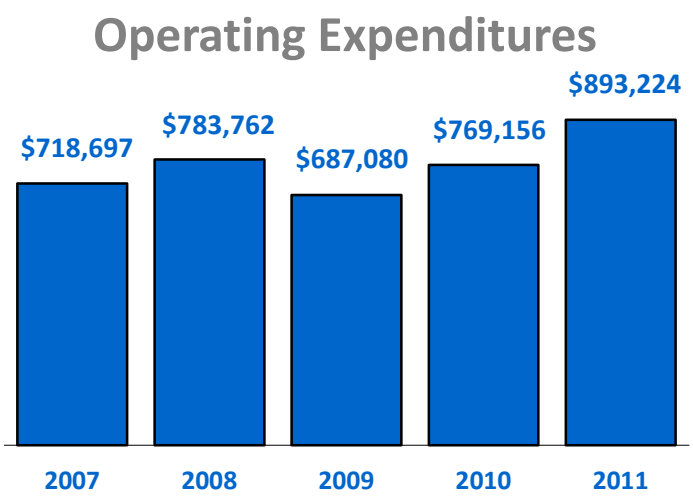
Legal Name: Prairie Five CAC Inc.
Type of Government: CAP
Area Served: Big Stone, Chippewa, Lac Qui Parle, Swift and Yellow Medicine counties
Legislative Senate District: 20
Legislative House District: 20A and 20B
Congressional District: 7

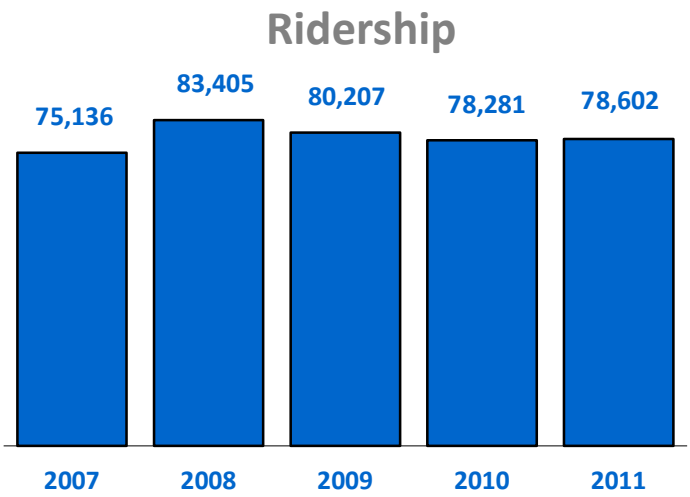
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Ten Class 400 and four vans
Service Type: Dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.50 in cities; 40 cents per mile regional rides

System Data





PRAIRIELAND TRANSIT SYSTEM

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2011 Highlights

- Negotiated contract to maintain public/private partnership.
- Coordinated with neighboring transit systems to provide out-of-area rides.
- Made transportation available in each Nobles County community five times per week.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Southwestern Minnesota Opportunity Council Inc.
Type of Government:	Non-profit
Area Served:	Nobles County
Legislative Senate District:	22
Legislative House District:	22A and 22B
Congressional District:	1

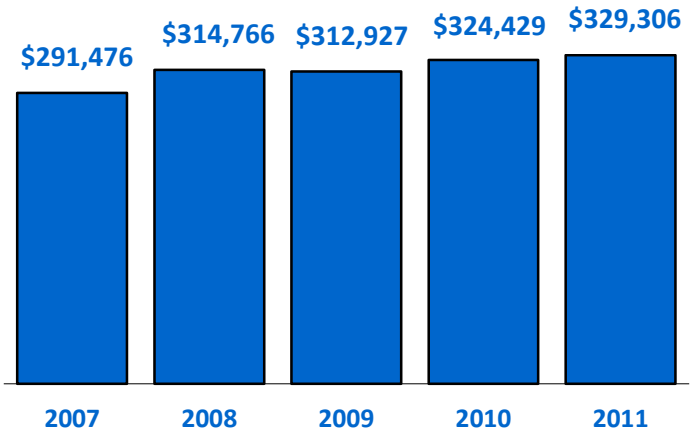
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Two Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2.50 deviated route; $3 dial-a-ride

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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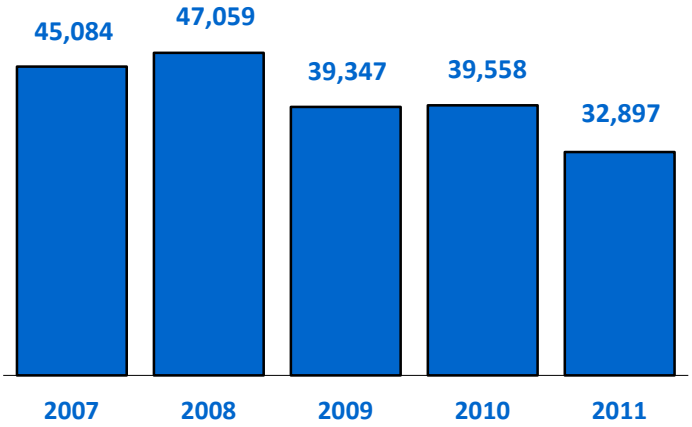
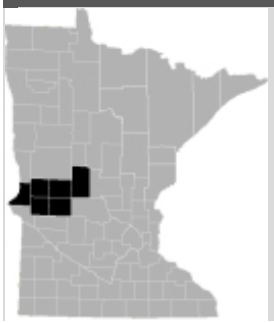


RAINBOW RIDER TRANSIT



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2011 Highlights

- Implemented RouteMatch scheduling and dispatching software in combination with tablets.
- Contracted with Developmental Achievement Centers to transport their clients.
- Purchased three new buses with inside and back up cameras for safety.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Rainbow Rider Transit Board
Type of Government: Joint Powers Board
Area Served: Douglas, Grant, Pope, Stevens, Traverse and Todd counties
Legislative Senate District: 09, 11 and 13
Legislative House District: 09B, 11A, 11B and 13A
Congressional District: 7

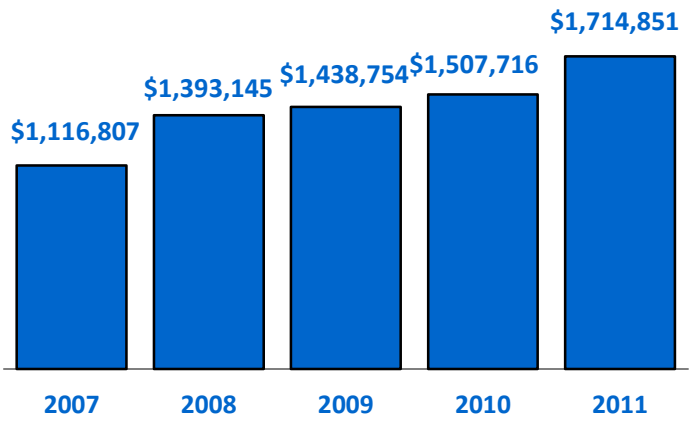
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 31 Class 400, one Class 500 and two minivans
Service Type: Dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. in Alexandria
all other areas 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday No service
Base Fare: $2-$5

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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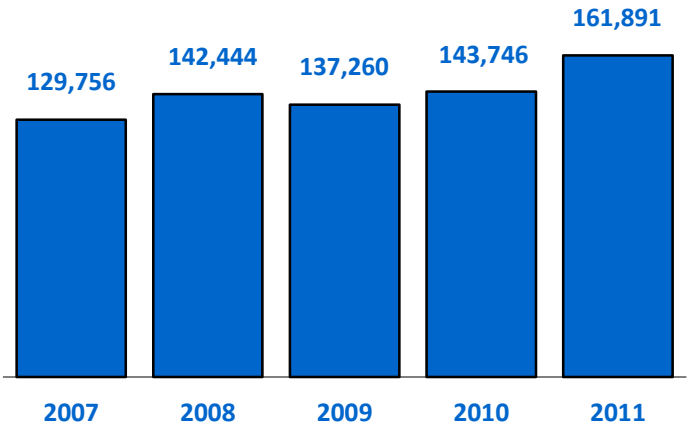

RED LAKE TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Completed and put new garage into service.
- Participated for the first time in the Red Lake Independence Day parade.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Red Lake Band of the Chippewa
Type of Government: Tribal
Area Served: Red Lake, Redby, Ponemah, Little Rock Community and Bemidji
Legislative District: 04A
Congressional District: 7

System Characteristics

Vehicles*: One Class 400 bus
Service Type: Deviated fixed route and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
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Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1

System Data

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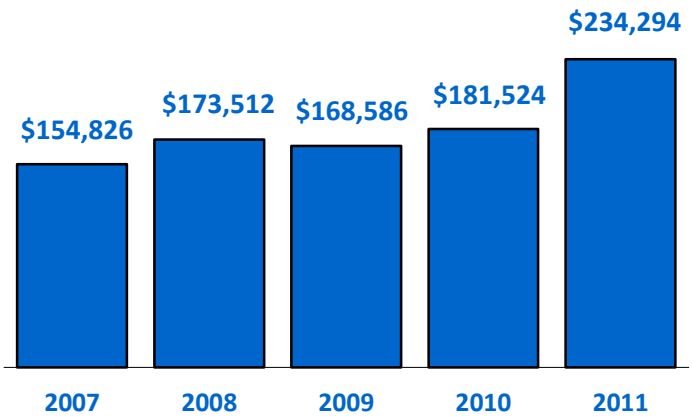

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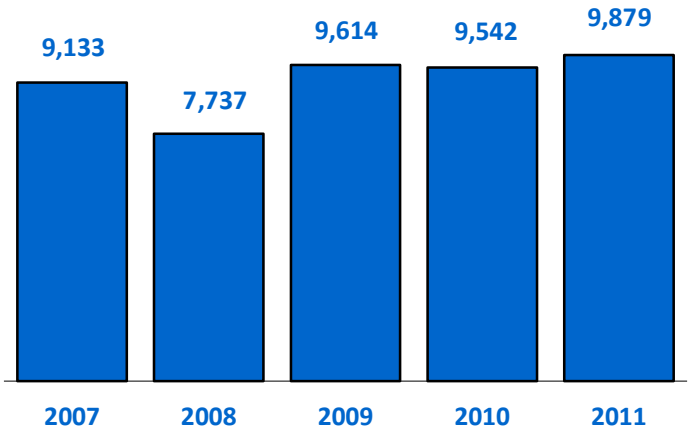

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2011 Highlights

- Participated in local events to raise awareness of public transportation.
- Increased coordination efforts with other area transportation providers to improve service.
- Purchased a new bus.
- Increased fares Oct. 1, 2011.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Renville County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Renville County
Legislative Senate District:	20
Legislative House District:	20B
Congressional District:	7

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Seven Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
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Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2-$5

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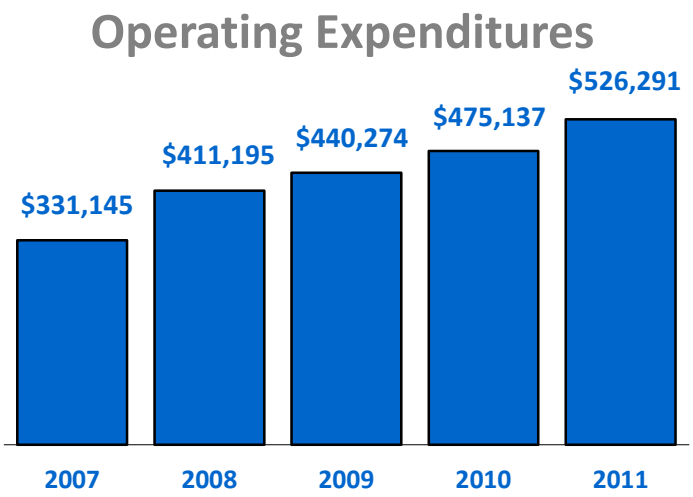

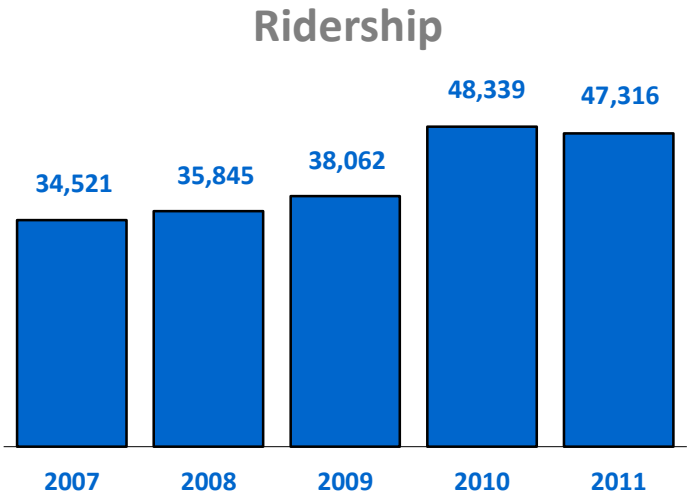

RIVERRIDER PUBLIC TRANSIT

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2011 Highlights

- Implemented RouteMatch scheduling and dispatching software.
- Standardized deviated route fares to match dial-a-ride fares of $1.25.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	RiverRider Public Transit
Type of Government:	Joint Powers Board
Area Served:	Sherburne and Wright counties
Legislative Senate District:	15, 16, 18, 19, 32 and 48
Legislative House District:	15B, 16A, 16B, 18B, 19A, 19B, 32A and 48A
Congressional District:	6

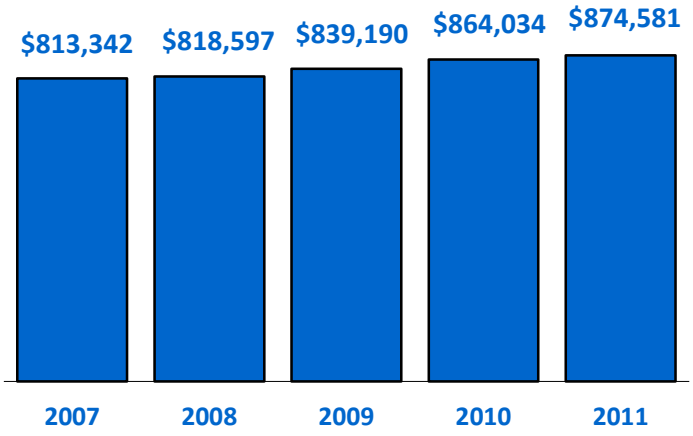
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Seven Class 400 and seven Class 500
Service Type:	Deviated route and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.25

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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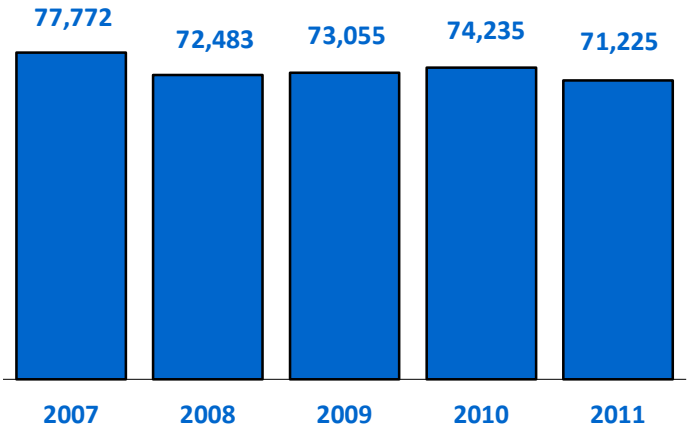

ROCHESTER PUBLIC TRANSIT – REGULAR ROUTE

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership eight percent over 2010.
- Completed construction on the new Transit Operation Center and Maintenance Facility.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Rochester
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Rochester
Legislative District:	29A, 29B, 30A and 30B
Congressional District:	1

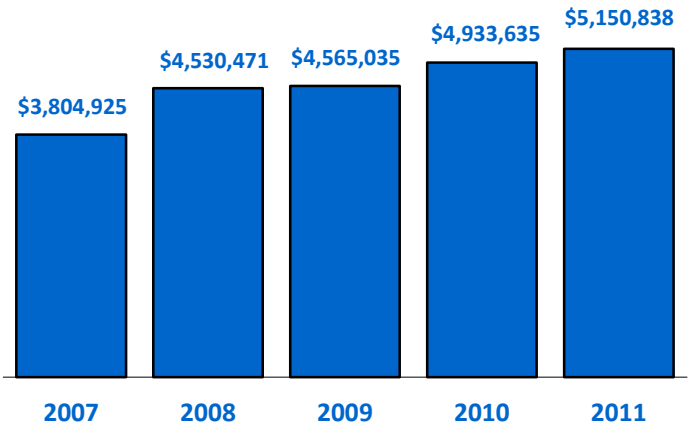
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	43 Class 700
Service Type:	Regular route
Funding Class:	Urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	5:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday	8:15 a.m. - 6:40 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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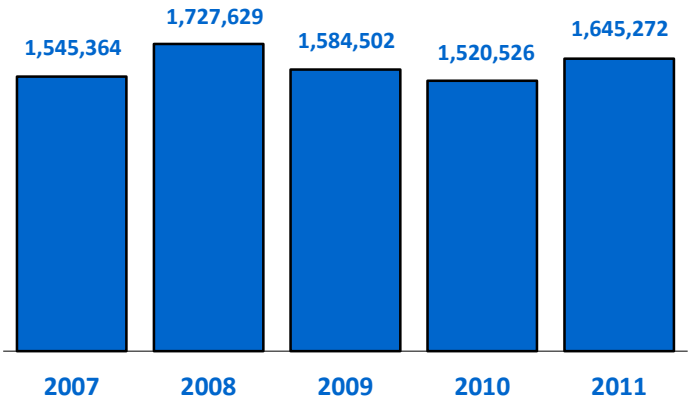

ROCHESTER DIAL-A-RIDE

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2011 Highlights

- Purchased and took delivery of four replacement buses.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Rochester
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Rochester
Legislative District:	29A, 29B, 30A and 30B
Congressional District:	1

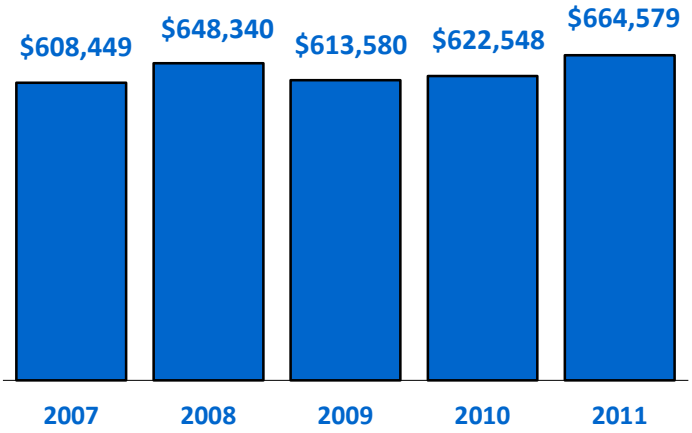
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Six Class 600
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	5:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday	7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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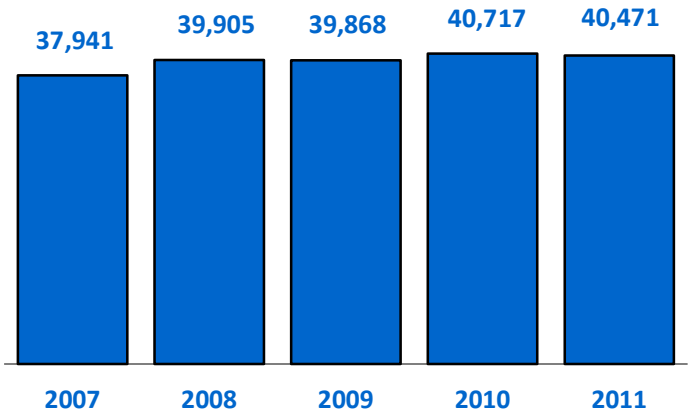

ROCK COUNTY HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Recorded an accident-free year.
- Maintained a reliable, dedicated pool of drivers.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Rock County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Rock County
Legislative Senate District:	22
Legislative House District:	22A
Congressional District:	1

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday	No service
Sunday	8 a.m. - noon
Base Fare:	$2.50-$6; fee by zone

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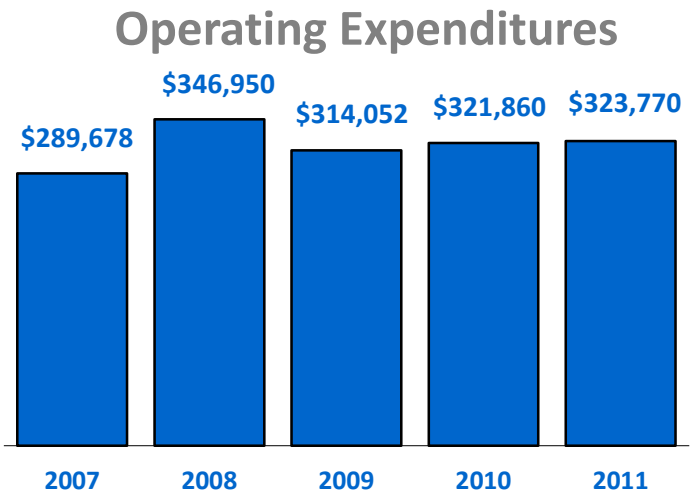

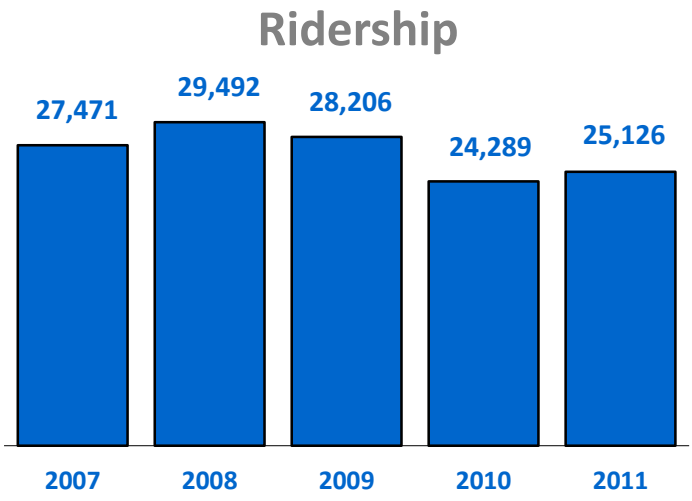

ST. CLOUD METRO BUS – FIXED ROUTE

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2011 Highlights

- Completed interior renovation and began exterior renovation and expansion of downtown transit center.
- Continued growth of Community Outreach and Travel Training program, funded under New Freedom.
- Held very successful Commuter Challenge campaign.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission
Type of Government: Transit Authority
Area Served: St. Cloud, Sartell, Sauk Rapids and Waite Park
Legislative House District: 14A, 15A and 15B
Congressional District: 6

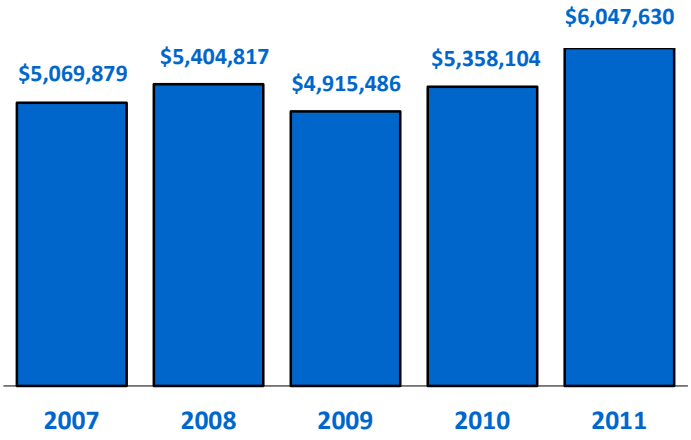
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Two Class 400, 36 Class 700 and one trolley bus
Service Type: Fixed route and route guarantee
Funding Class: Urban

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5:25 a.m. - midnight
Saturday 7:45 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Base Fare: $1

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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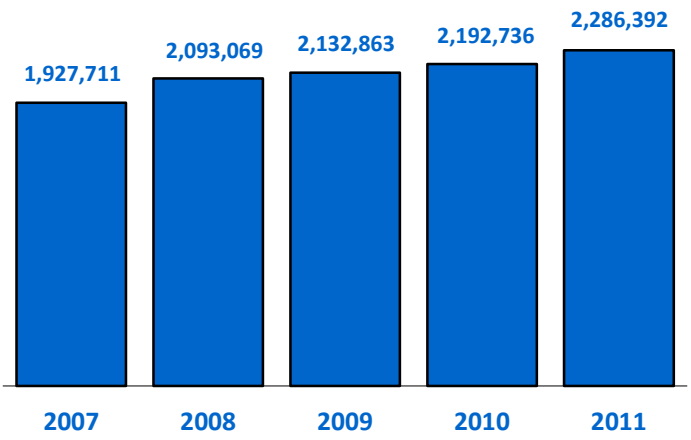

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2011 Highlights

- Completed the final replacement of an aging dial-a-ride fleet by adding new low-floor ARBOC buses.
- Adjusted service area boundaries to improve efficiency and increase capacity.
- Strengthened Community Outreach and Travel Training program, funded under the federal New Freedom program.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission
Type of Government: Transit Authority
Area Served: Cities of St. Cloud, Sartell, Sauk Rapids and Waite Park
Legislative District: 14A, 15A and 15B
Congressional District: 6

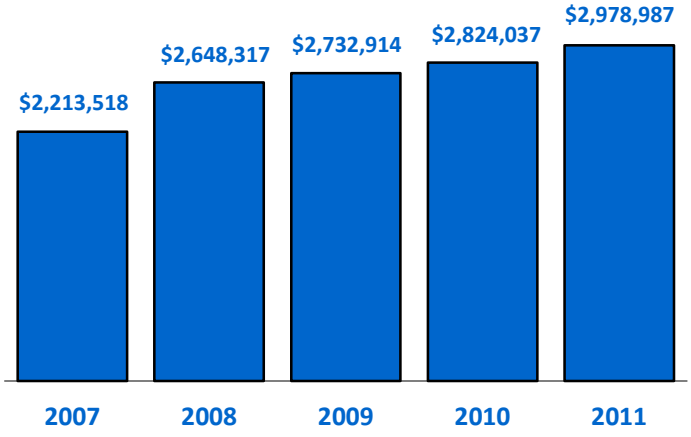
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 17 Class 400 and six Class 600
Service Type: Dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Urban complementary paratransit

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5:30 a.m. - midnight
Saturday 7:45 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Base Fare: $2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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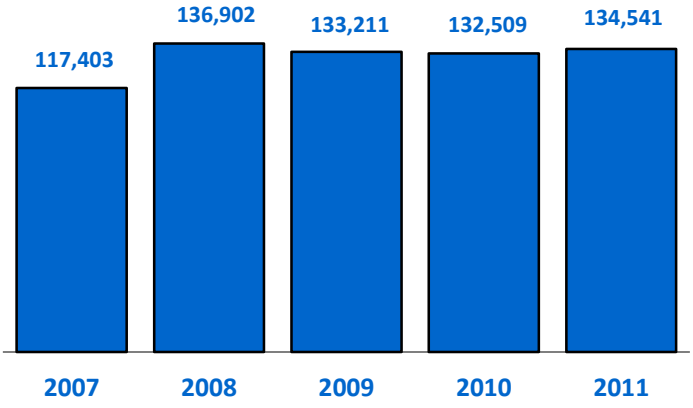

ST. PETER TRANSIT

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Website:	www.saintpetermn.gov/transit/

2011 Highlights

- Continued strong ridership trends by increasing ridership more than 6 percent from 2010, and more than 55 percent from 2007.
- Added two new drivers to our system.
- Celebrated the retirement of a driver who performed more than 32 years of service.

System Snapshot

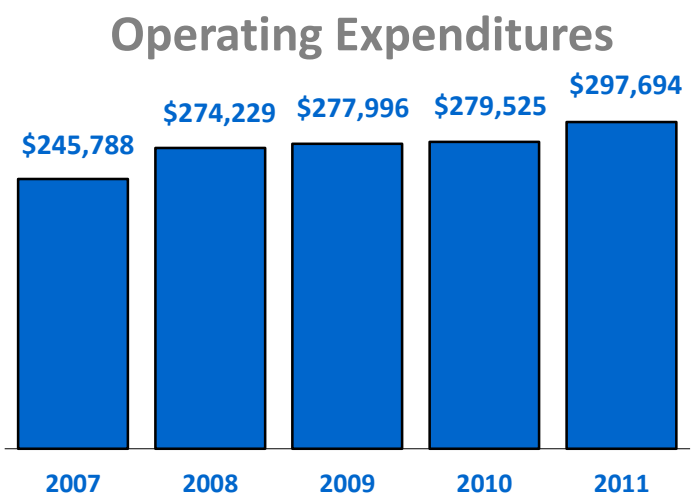
Legal Name:	City of St. Peter
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Kasota and St. Peter
Legislative District:	23A and 25A
Congressional District:	1 and 2

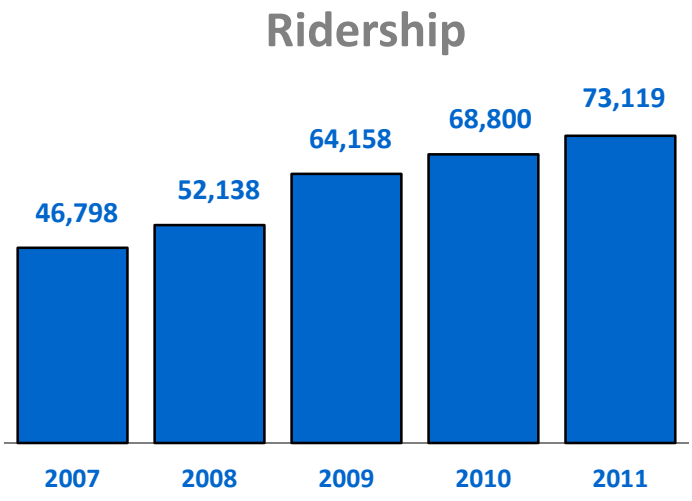
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Three Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.75

System Data





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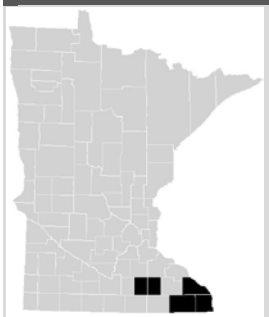

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by more than 5 percent.
- Driver Duane Beckman won the Driver Choice Award at the 2011 Bus Roadeo.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: SEMCAC
Type of Government: CAP
Area Served: Dodge, Fillmore, Houston and Winona counties and Blooming Prairie
Legislative Senate District: 27, 28, 29 and 31
Legislative House District: 27B, 28B, 29A, 31A and 31B
Congressional District: 1

System Characteristics

Vehicles: One Class 300 and seven Class 400
Service Type: Route deviation, dial-a-ride, route guarantee and subscription
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
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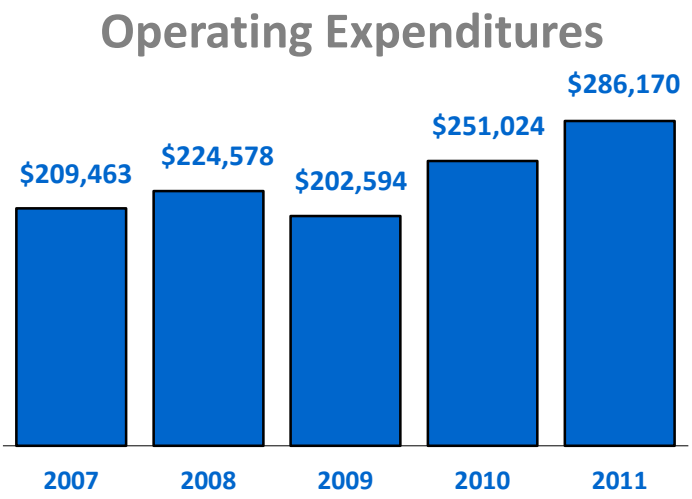
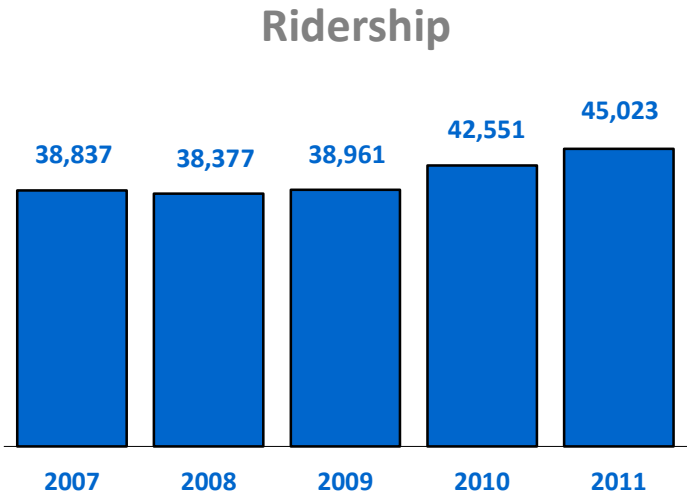
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.25-$2.75

System Data





STEELE COUNTY AREA TRANSIT (SCAT)

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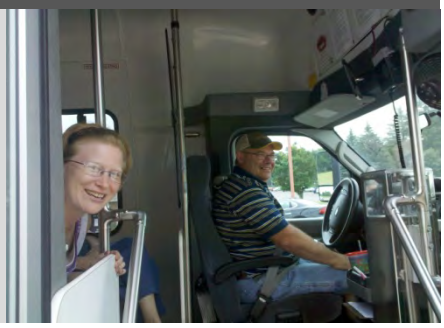


2011 Highlights

- Created a Transit Advisory Committee with key members from the community.
- Worked toward creating a deviated route to begin in 2012.
- Worked with community organizations to communicate and receive feedback to improve our system.

System Snapshot

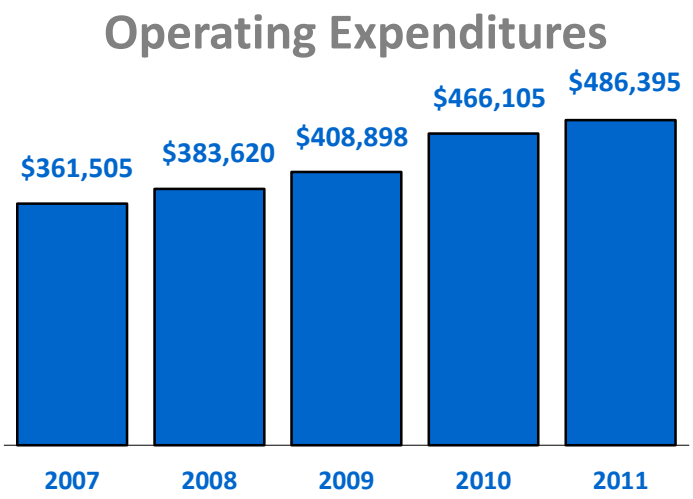
Legal Name:	Steele County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Owatonna and Steele County
Legislative Senate District:	26
Legislative House District:	26A and 26B
Congressional District:	1

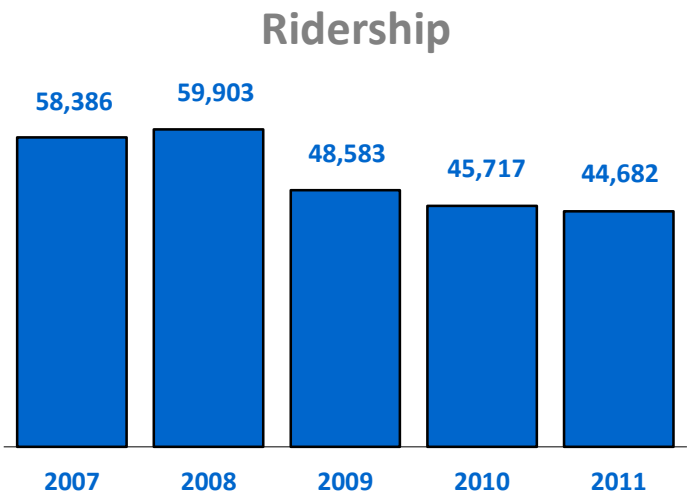
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation and demand response
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1.75-$2.50

System Data





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2011 Highlights

- Purchased one new bus with Transit Capital Assistance ARRA grant.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Stewartville
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Stewartville
Legislative District:	30B
Congressional District:	1

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	One Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
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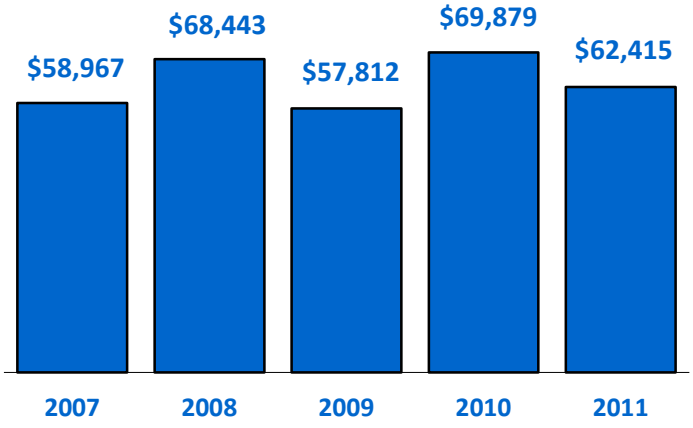
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1.50

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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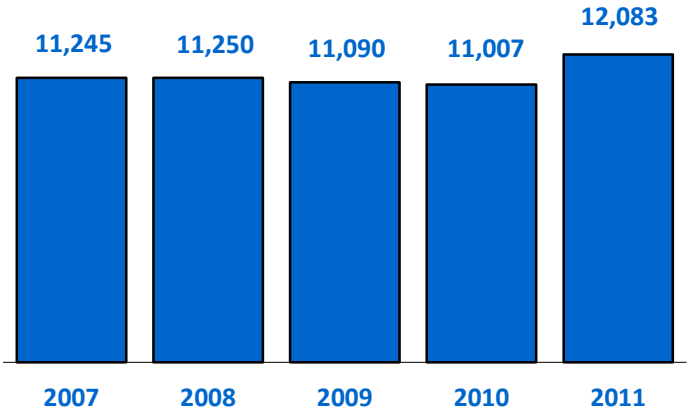
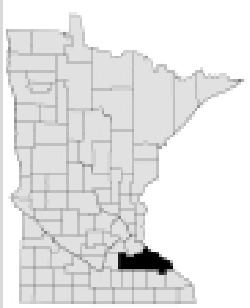


THREE RIVERS HIAWATHALAND TRANSIT



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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership to nearly 159,000 in 2011, an increase of 27 percent over 2010.
- Planned for 2012 incorporation of Faribault Flyer and Northfield Transit into Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Three Rivers Community Action Inc.
Type of Government: CAP
Area Served: Goodhue, RIce and Wabasha counties
Legislative Senate District: 25, 26, 28, 30 and 36
Legislative House District: 25B, 26B, 28A, 28B, 30B and 36B
Congressional District: 1 and 2

System Characteristics

Vehicles: 21 Class 400 and three Class 500
Service Type: Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.
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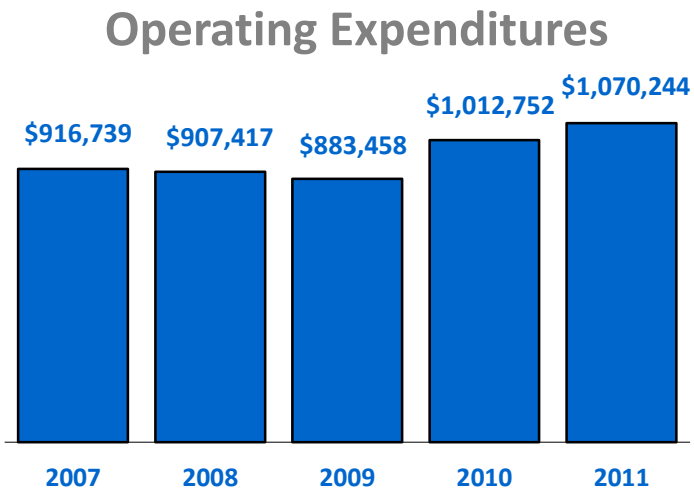
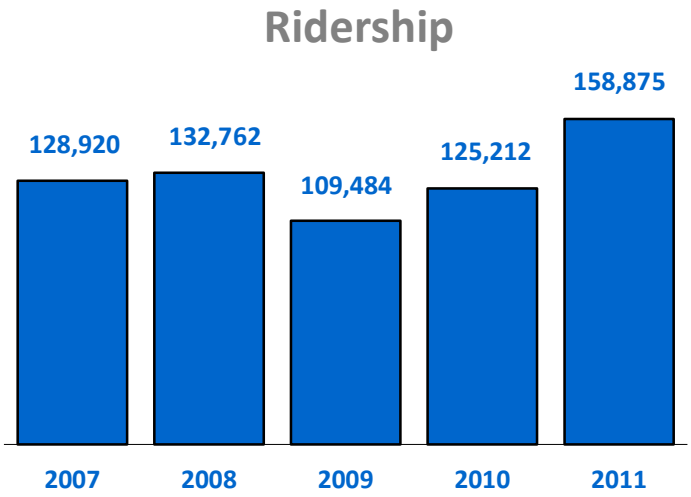
Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.25

System Data





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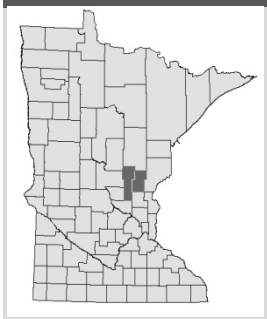

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 17 percent.
- Worked closely with Industries, Inc. to provide the majority of their transportation for consumers.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Kanabec County
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Mille Lacs and Kanabec counties
Legislative Senate District:	08 and 16
Legislative House District:	08B and 16A
Congressional District:	8

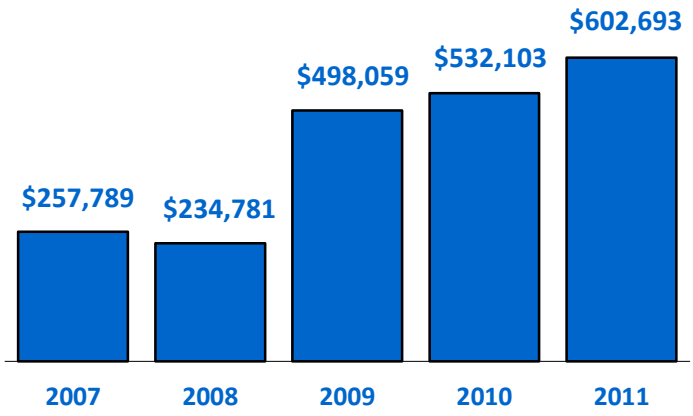
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Five Class 400
Service Type:	Demand response
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3-$5

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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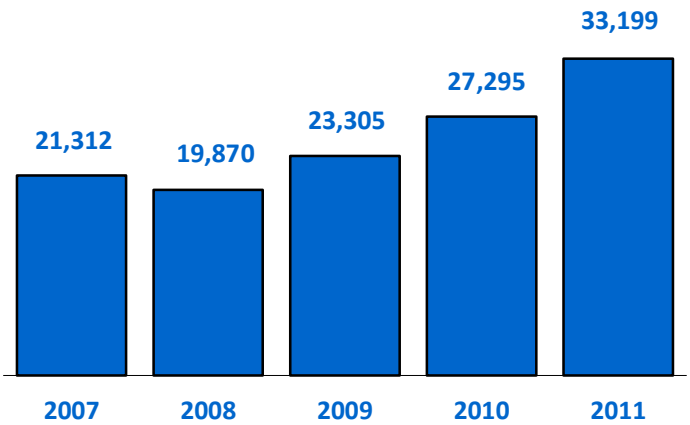

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2011 Highlights

- Consolidated operations from four transit facilities into one new facility in Glencoe.
- Provided an additional 13,806 work rides (JARC) and 4,907 rides for SMART-Ride (local funding) for a total of 155,778 rides.
- Installed security cameras on buses.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Trailblazer Joint Powers Board
Type of Government:	Joint Powers
Area Served:	Sibley and McLeod counties
Legislative Senate District:	18, 23 and 25
Legislative House District:	18A, 23A and 25A
Congressional District:	7

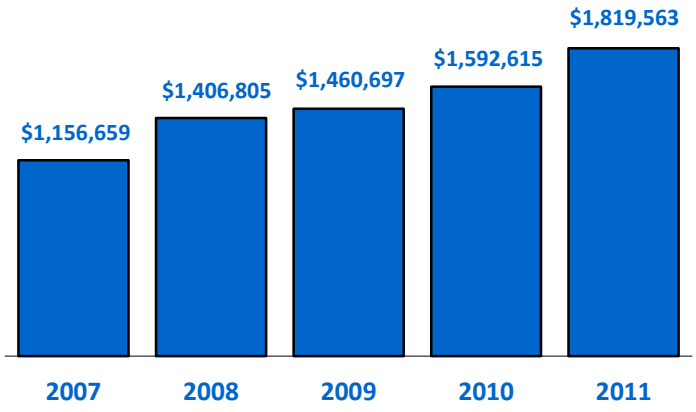
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	18 Class 400
Service Type:	Dial-a-ride and volunteer
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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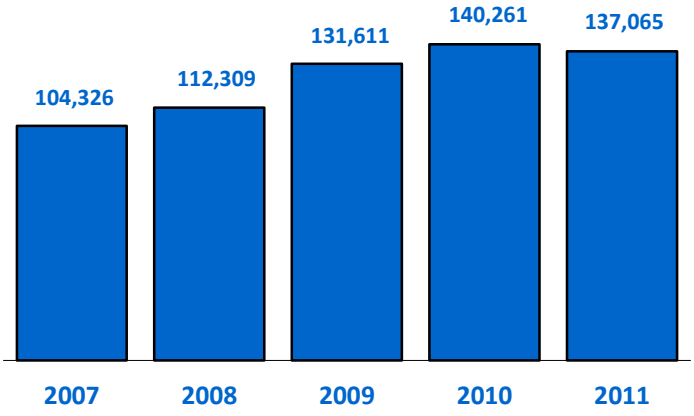

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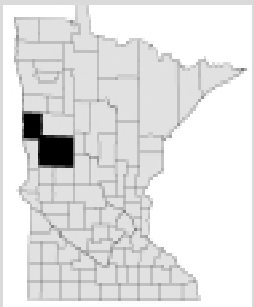

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2011 Highlights

- Developed a plan to begin Sunday service in the Moorhead area and a weekly route to Hawley.
- Coordinated with the local volunteer driver system to provide local rides improving local ridership and efficiency as well as saving money for the volunteer driver program.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Productive Alternatives Inc.
Type of Government:	Non-profit
Area Served:	Clay and Otter Tail counties
Legislative Senate District:	09 and 10
Legislative House District:	09A, 09B, 10A and 10B
Congressional District:	7

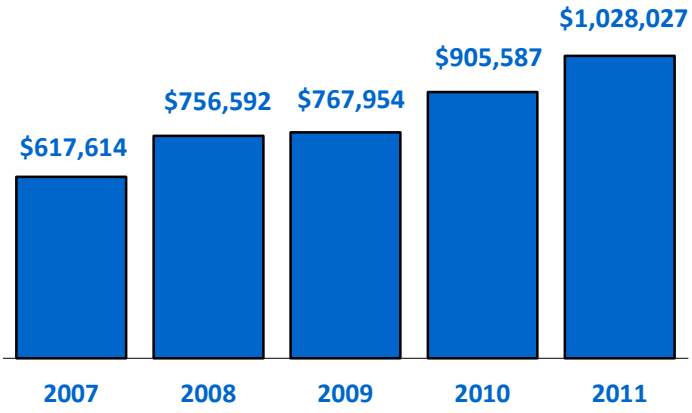
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	12 Class 400 and four Class 500
Service Type:	Route deviation, dial-a-ride and subscription
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1-$5

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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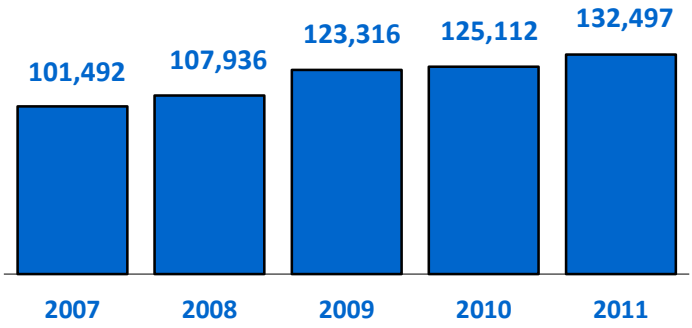

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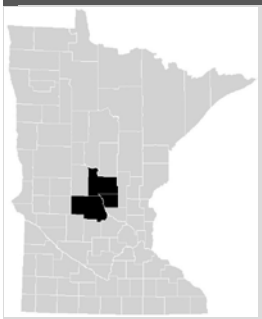

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2011 Highlights

- Began planning for a future bus garage in Little Falls.
- Diversified public passenger demographics to include 23 percent children and students.
- Expanded mobility management into Wright County through the Transportation Resource Center.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Tri-County Action Program Inc.
Type of Government: CAP
Area Served: Benton, Morrison and Stearns counties
Legislative Senate District: 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16
Legislative House District: 12B, 13A, 14A, 14B, 15A, 15B and 16A
Congressional District: 6, 7 and 8

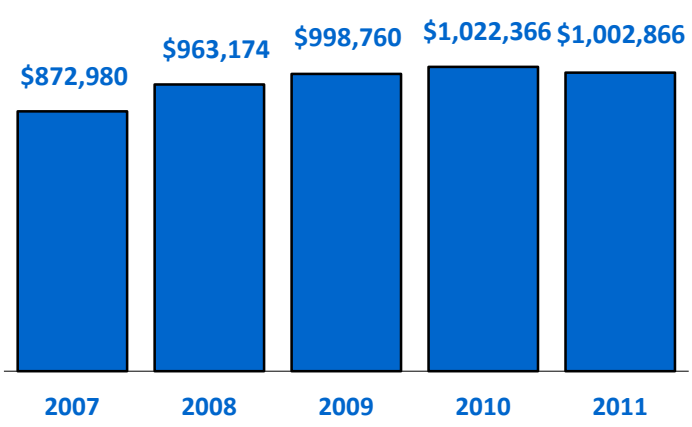
System Characteristics

Vehicles: One Class 300, nine Class 400, two Class 500 and two Class 600
Service Type: Flex route and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.25-$3

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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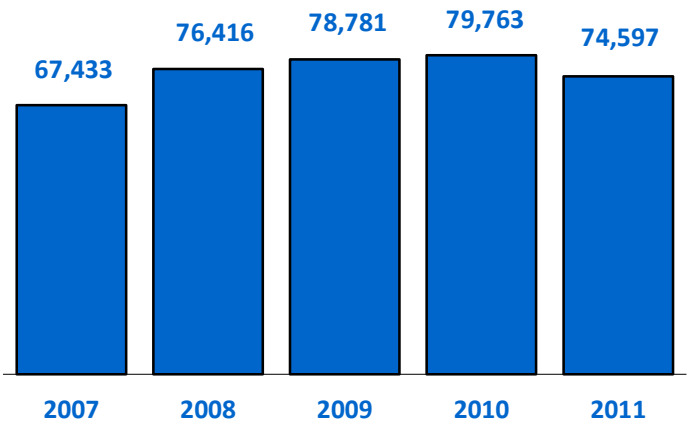

TRI-VALLEY HEARTLAND EXPRESS

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2011 Highlights

- Began JARC route for Univ. of Minnesota, Crookston campus.
- Continued development of expertise in conducting wheel chair lift repairs.
- Began active participation in developing bus driver training courses. As a result, offered CPR and First Aid to all bus drivers and office staff.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Tri-Valley Opportunity Council
Type of Government: Non-profit
Area Served: Polk, Norman, Marshall, Pennington, Red Lake and Kittson counties, and Bagley in Clearwater County
Legislative Senate District: 01 and 02
Legislative House District: 01A, 01B, 02A and 02B
Congressional District: 7

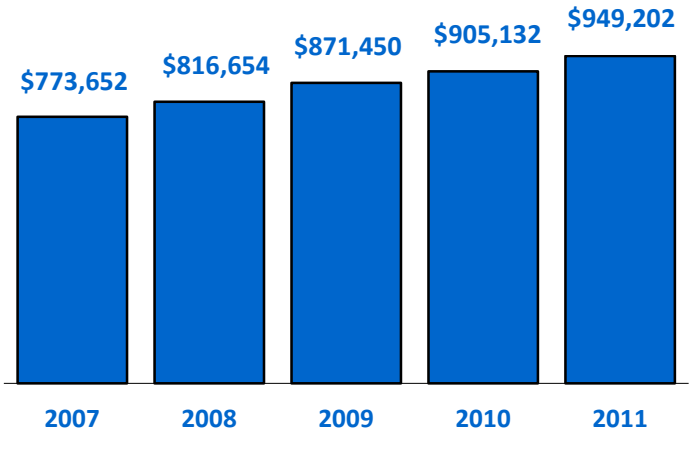
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 13 Class 400 and three Class 500
Service Type: Deviated fixed route and dial-a-ride
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.50 in town

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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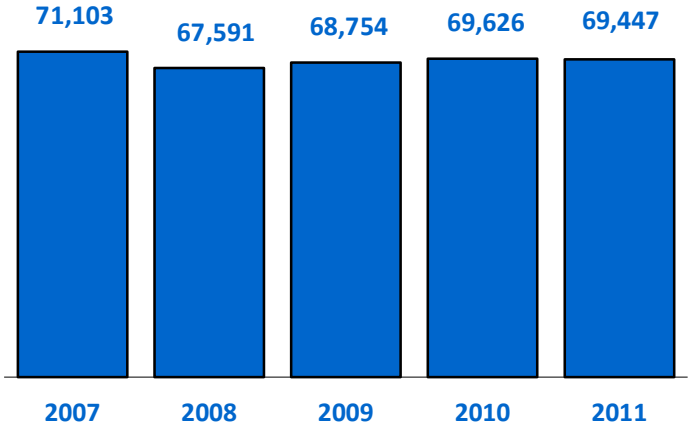
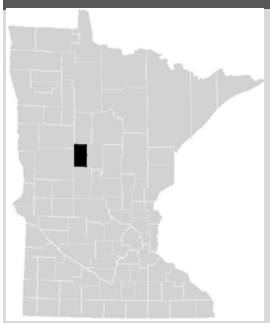


WADENA COUNTY FRIENDLY RIDER TRANSIT



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2011 Highlights

- Increased revenues by placing advertising wraps on two buses.
- Finalized arrangement for Wadena County to begin serving the towns of Bertha and Hewitt in the northern part of Todd County starting Jan. 1, 2012.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	Wadena County Human Services
Type of Government:	County
Area Served:	Wadena and northern Todd counties
Legislative Senate District:	10 and 11
Legislative House District:	10B and 11B
Congressional District:	8

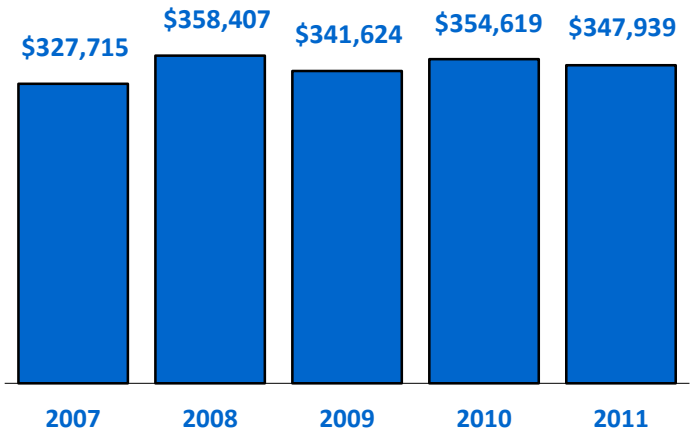
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Four Class 400
Service Type:	Route deviation and dial-a-ride
Funding Class:	Rural

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	7:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Base Fare:	$1.25-$3.75

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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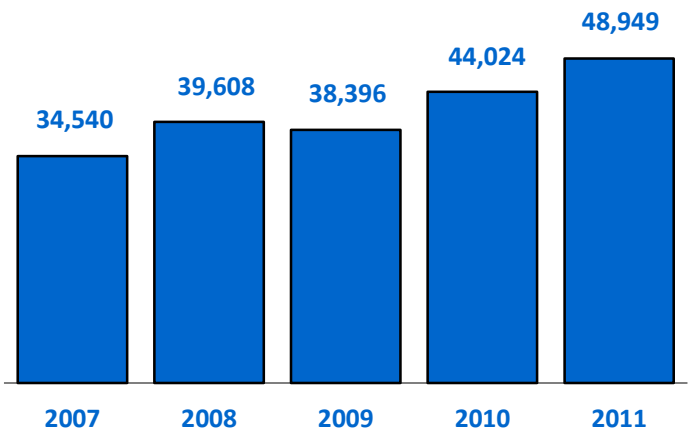

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2011 Highlights

- Recorded the highest ridership since beginning public transit services in 1998.
- Exceeded the 15 percent local operating match.
- Retained top-notch drivers another year.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Watonwan County
Type of Government: County
Area Served: Watonwan County and surrounding communities in Blue Earth, Martin, Cottonwood and Brown counties
Legislative Senate District: 21 and 24
Legislative House District: 21B and 24A
Congressional District: 1

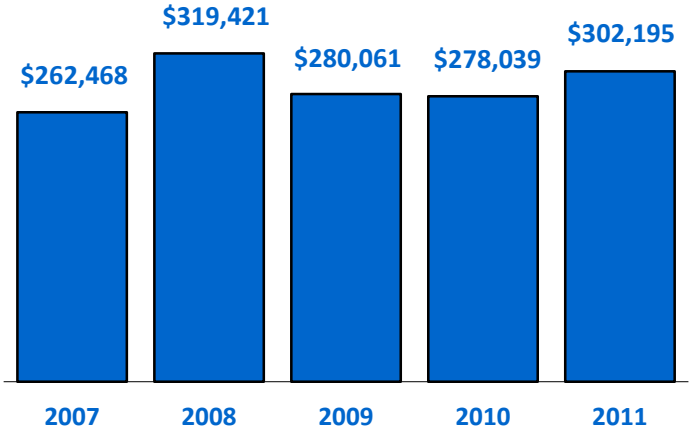
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Three Class 400
Service Type: Dial-a-ride and subscription
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $1.25-$2.25

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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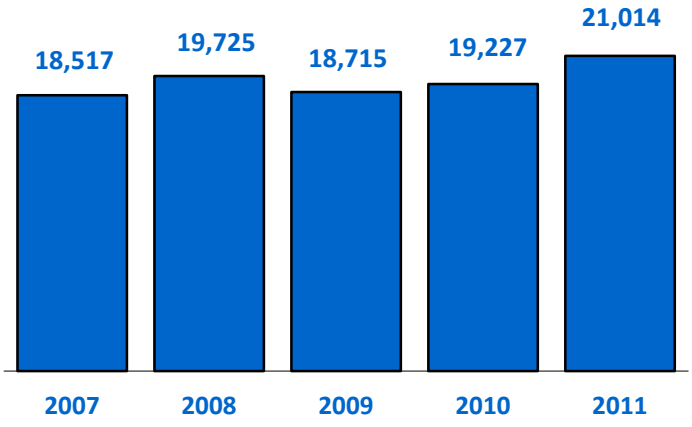

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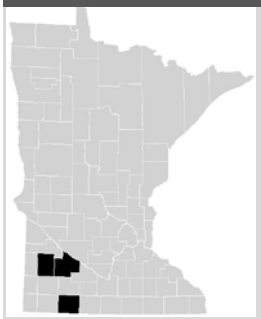

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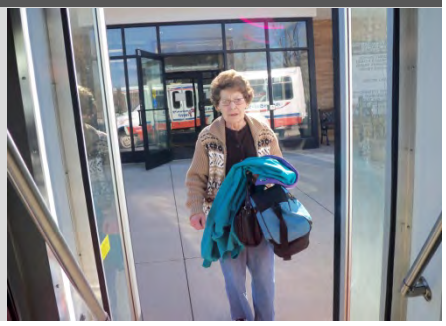


2011 Highlights

- Began partnership with long term care facilities to access 'Let's go Fishing' events.
- Initiated local coordination discussions regarding public transit opportunities for veterans.
- Began the process to create an express route to work in Marshall.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Western Community Action Inc.
Type of Government: Community Action Program
Area Served: Jackson, Lyon, and Redwood counties and limited service in Cottonwood and Lincoln counties
Legislative Senate District: 21 and 22
Legislative House District: 21A, 21B and 22B
Congressional District: 1 and 7

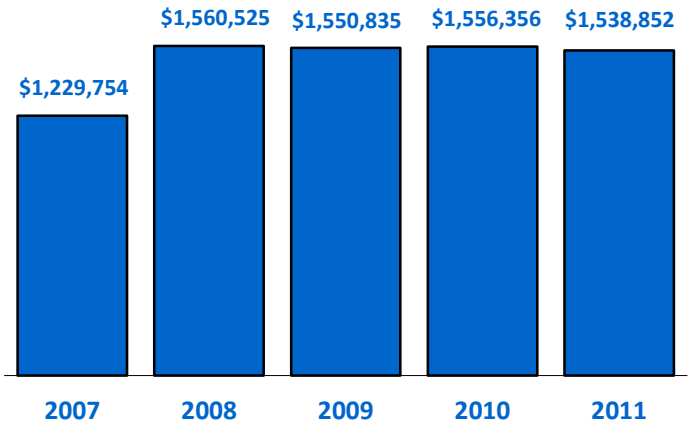
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 20 Class 400
Service Type: Route deviation, dial-a-ride and subscription
Funding Class: Rural

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5:45 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Base Fare: $2-$13

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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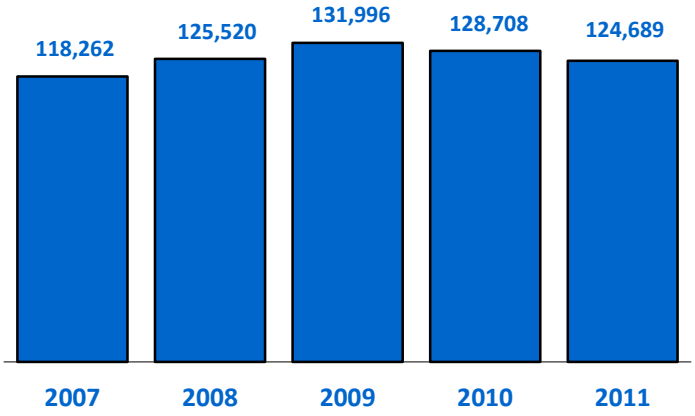

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by almost 6 percent.
- Installed safety cameras on three buses.
- Continued providing subscription services to Winona State and St. Mary's University.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Winona
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Winona and Goodview
Legislative District:	31A and 28B
Congressional District:	1

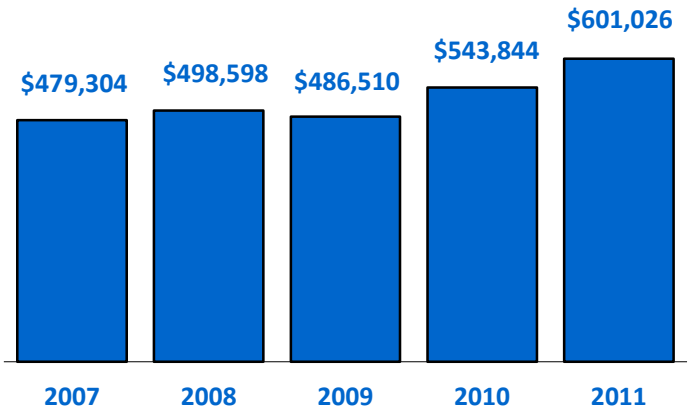
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Seven Class 600
Service Type:	Route deviation and subscription
Funding Class:	Small urban

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$1; 30 cents for deviations

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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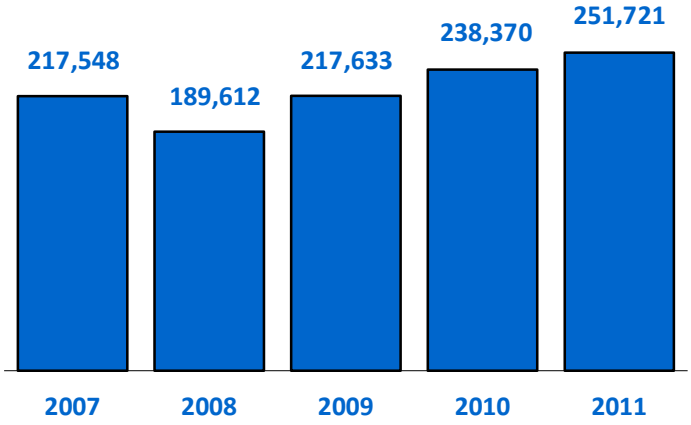

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2011 Highlights

- Saw a 17 percent increase in commuter express ridership in 2011. (Prior Lake Laker Lines and Shakopee Transit, partnering as BlueXpress)
- Continued construction on the Eagle Creek Transit Station, a 550-stall park and ride.
- Began planning and design for the Marshall Road Transit Station.

System Snapshot

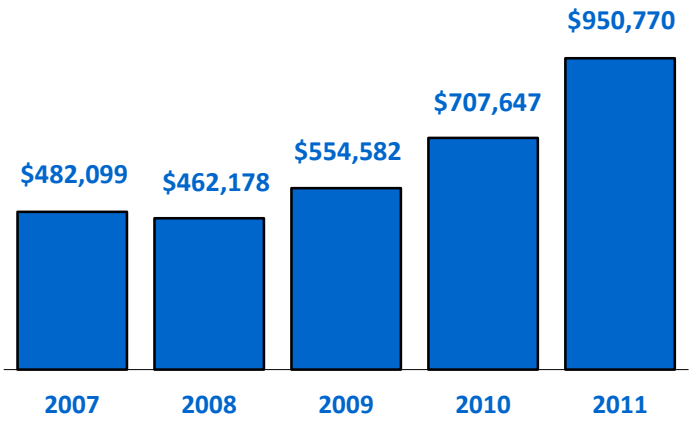
Legal Name:	City of Prior Lake
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Prior Lake, Shakopee, Savage and Scott County
Legislative District:	35A
Congressional District:	2

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Five Class 700
Service Type:	Commuter, local circulator and shuttle service
Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	6 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3 express; $2 local laker link

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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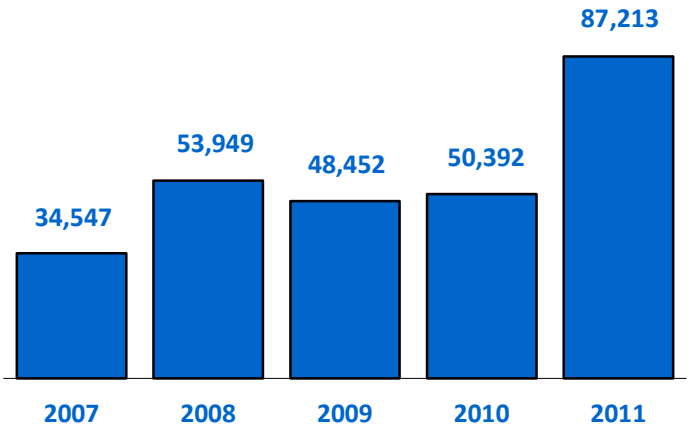

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2011 Highlights

- Opened the climate- controlled waiting station for the new 500-stall Parkway Station park-and-ride facility with 70 percent of spaces full in its first year of operation.
- Deployed another four 45-passenger coach style buses for a total of seven in the fleet.

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Maple Grove
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Maple Grove
Legislative District:	32A and 32B
Congressional District:	3

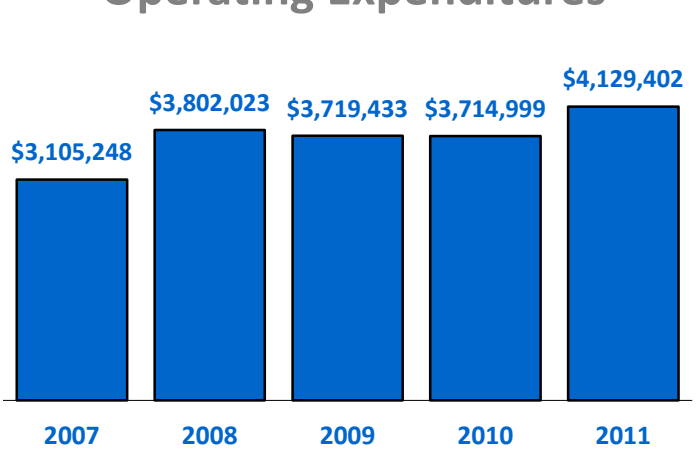
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Five Class 400 and 35 Class 700
Service Type:	Commuter express and dial-a-ride

Service Hours:	
Monday - Friday	5:50 a.m. - 7:07 p.m.
Saturday (Dial-A-Ride Only)	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3 express; $1.75 dial-a-ride

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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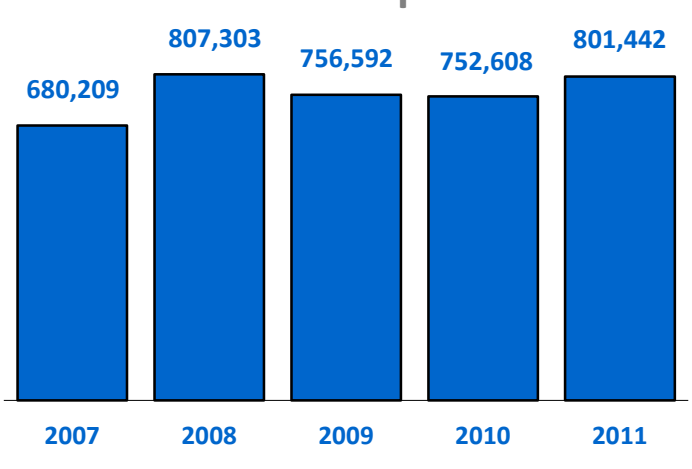
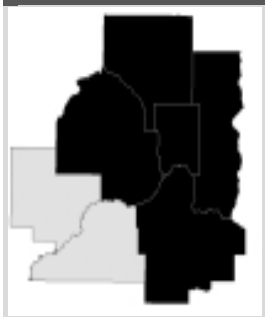


METRO MOBILITY



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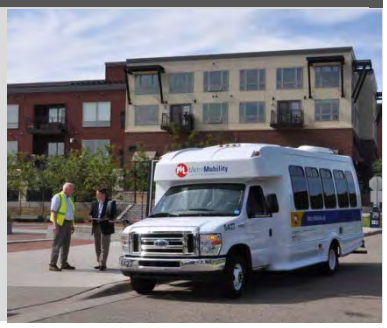


2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership 6.68 percent over 2010.
- Had no statistically measurable denial rate in 2011.
- Implemented tools to better schedule and track rides that fall within the ADA federally mandated service area (72 percent) and rides that fall outside of this area but still in Metro Mobility's service area (28 percent).

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Metropolitan Council-Metro Mobility
Type of Government: Regional
Area Served: Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington counties
Legislative Senate/House District: Metro
Congressional District: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

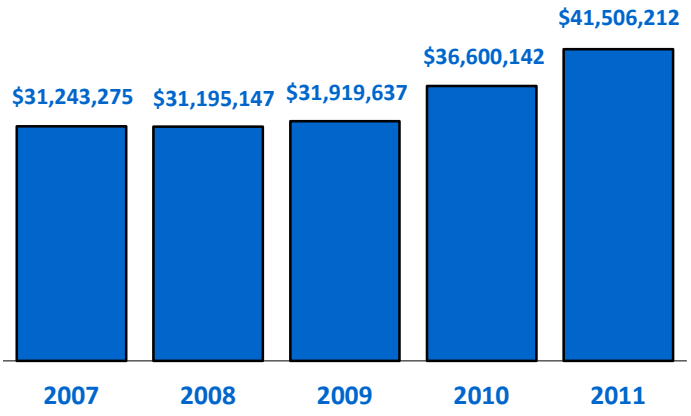
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 274 Metropolitan Council owned conventional Class 300 buses, 25 hybrid electric Class 300 buses and 40 full size sedans
Service Type: Dial-a-ride

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday *12-24 hours a day
Saturday *8-24 hours a day
Sunday *8-24 hours a day
*Based on fixed route local service
Base Fare: $3 off-peak; $4 peak

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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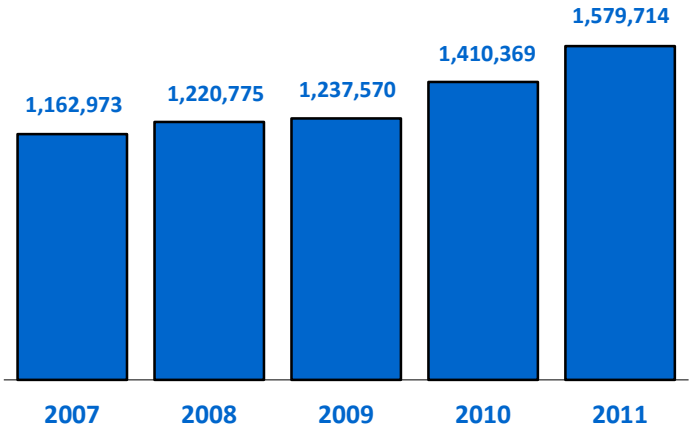
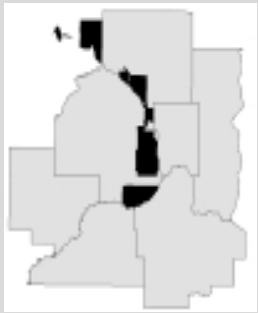


METRO TRANSIT – COMMUTER RAIL



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2011 Highlights

- Grew weekday ridership on the Northstar Commuter Rail 7 percent from 2010.
- Approved plans for a station in Ramsey, the seventh on the Northstar line. The station is anticipated to open in late 2012.
- Ran trains on schedule 96.2 percent of the time.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Metro Transit
Type of Government: Regional
Commuter/Light Rail Area Served: Minneapolis, Fridley, Anoka, Coon Rapids, Elk River, Big Lake and Bloomington
Legislative District: 16B, 40B, 41B, 47A, 47B, 48A, 48B, 49B, 50A, 50B, 51B, 58A, 58B, 59A, 59B, 60A, 60B, 61A, 61B, 62A, 62B, 63A and 63B
Congressional District: 3, 5 and 6

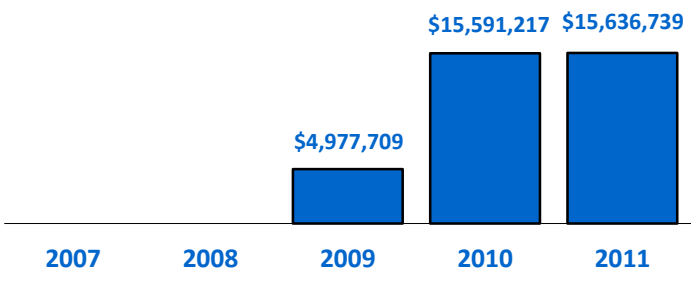
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 18 commuter rail cars and 6 commuter rail locomotives
Service Type: Fixed route

Northstar Service Hours:
Monday – Sunday: Visit metrotransit.org/northstar for service hours
Northstar Base Fare: Visit metrotransit.org/northstar for fares

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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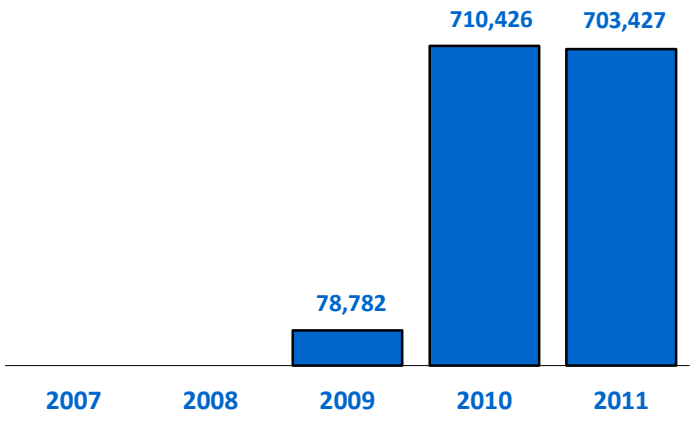

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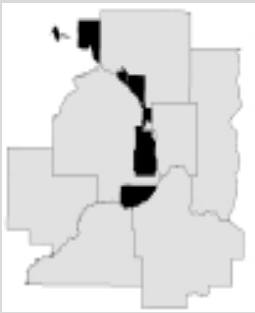

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2011 Highlights

- Achieved the second highest ridership in the line's seven year history.
- Increased daily commuter ridership with average weekday ridership exceeding projections for the year 2020 by 27 percent.
- Ran on schedule 94.7 percent of the time.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Metro Transit
Type of Government: Regional
Light Rail Area Served: Minneapolis, Fridley, Anoka, Coon Rapids, Elk River, Big Lake and Bloomington
Legislative District: 16B, 40B, 41B, 47A, 47B, 48A, 48B, 49B, 50A, 50B, 51B, 58A, 58B, 59A, 59B, 60A, 60B, 61A, 61B, 62A, 62B, 63A and 63B
Congressional District: 3, 5 and 6

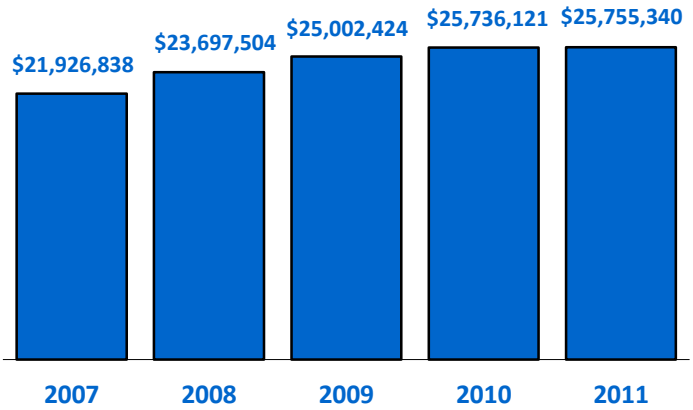
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 27 light rail cars
Service Type: Fixed route

Hiawatha Line Service Hours:
Monday – Sunday: 4 a.m. to 2 a.m.
Hiawatha Line Base Fare: $1.75 off-peak local, $2.25 peak local/off peak express and $3 peak express

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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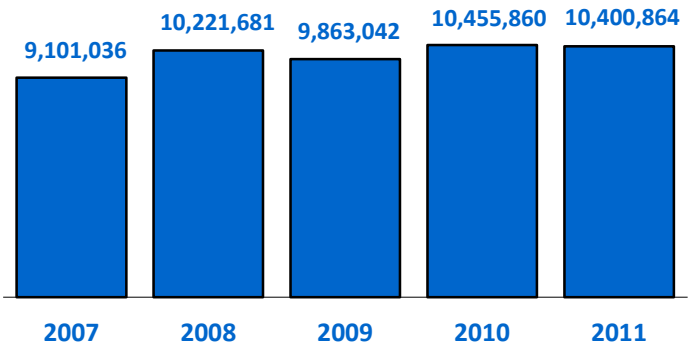

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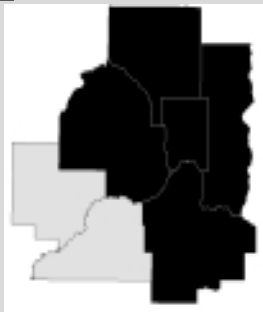

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2011 Highlights

- Recorded a 2.3 percent improvement in the on-street reliability of its bus service.
- Increased the miles between maintenance road calls from 5,988 in 2010 to 6,128 in 2011. Over the past five calendar years, bus reliability is up 35 percent.

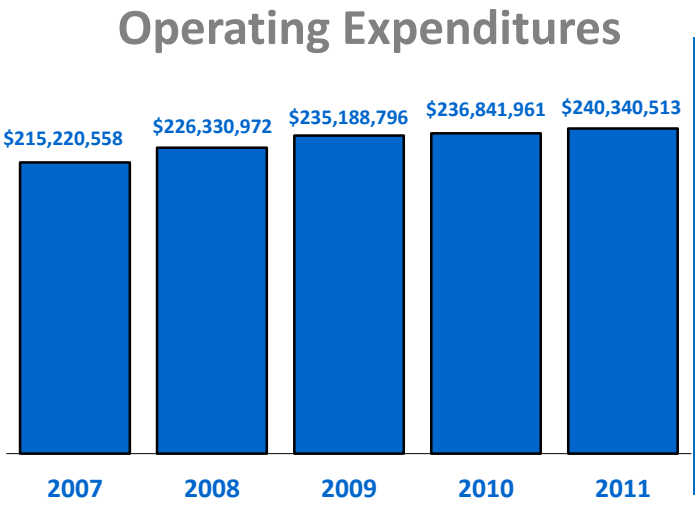
System Snapshot

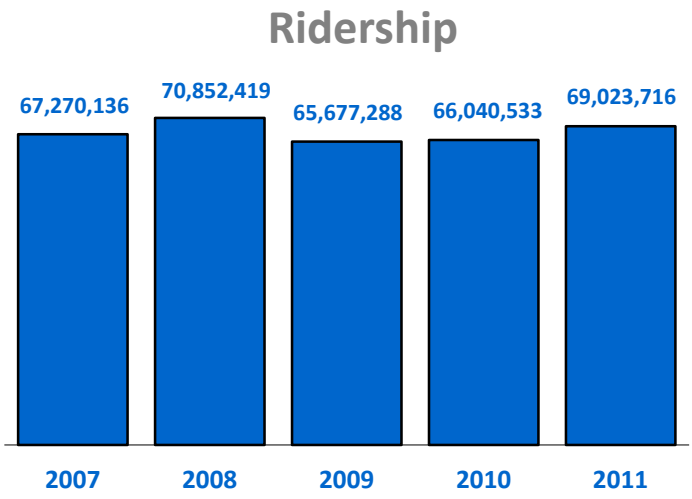
Legal Name: Metro Transit
Type of Government: Regional
Area Served: Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington counties
Legislative Senate/House District: Metro
Congressional District: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

System Characteristics

Vehicles: 740 40-feet buses, 166 60-feet articulated buses and 26 coach-style buses
Service Type: Fixed route
Service Hours:
Monday - Sunday 24 hours per day
Base Fare: $1.75 off-peak local, $2.25 peak local/off peak express and $3 peak express

System Data





METROPOLITAN COUNCIL CONTRACTED SERVICES – REGULAR ROUTE BUS

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership 2 percent and achieved highest ridership in program history.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Metropolitan Council-Metropolitan Transportation Services
Type of Government: Regional
Area Served: Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties
Legislative Senate/House District: Metro
Congressional District: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

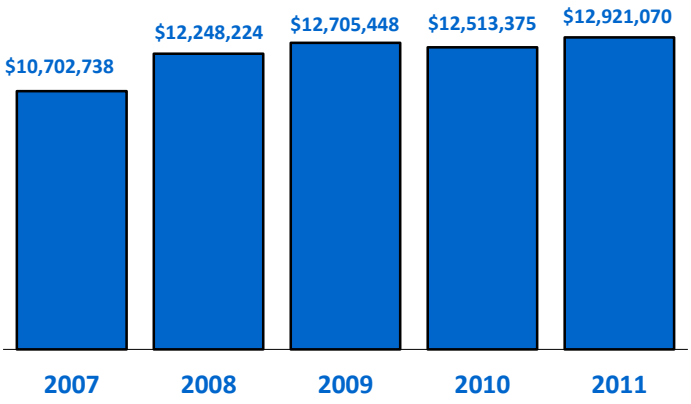
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 30 Class 400 and 69 Class 700
Service Type: Regular route

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Saturday 6 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Sunday 7 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Base Fare: $1.75-$3

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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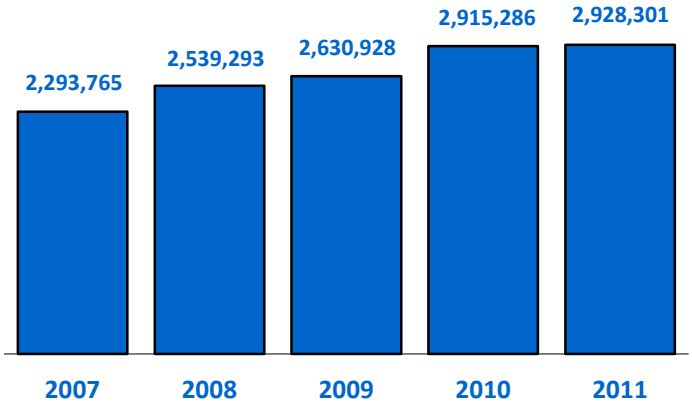

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2011 Highlights

- Refined policies and procedures for the program.

System Snapshot

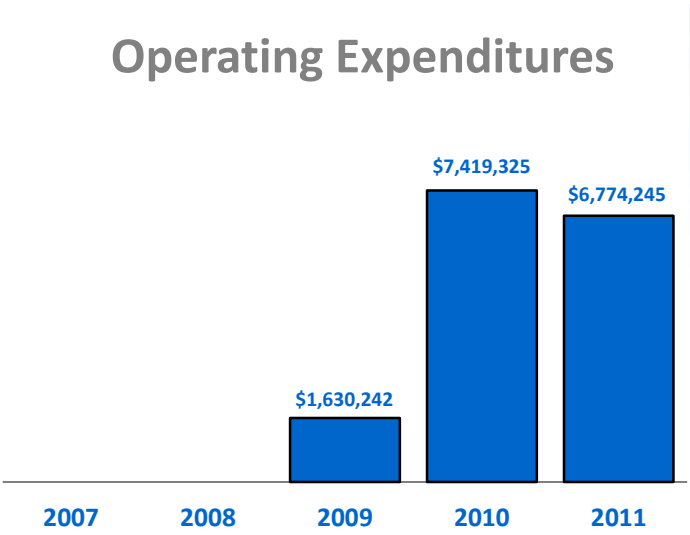
Legal Name: Metropolitan Council-Metropolitan Transportation Services
Type of Government: Regional
Area Served: Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties
Legislative Senate/House District: Metro
Congressional District: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

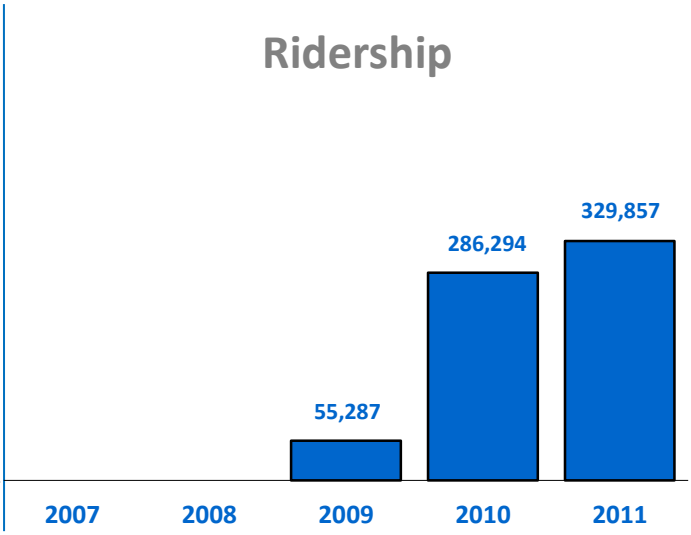
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 75 Class 400
Service Type: Dial-a-ride

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturday Varies by community
Base Fare: $2.25

System Data





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2011 Highlights

- Changed the program name to Metro Vanpool (formerly Van-GO!).
- Procured a new five-year contract for van leases and support services.
- Implemented Green Ride, a new vanpool matching and reporting software.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Metropolitan Council-Metropolitan Transportation Services
Type of Government: Regional
Area Served: Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties
Legislative Senate/House District: Metro
Congressional District: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

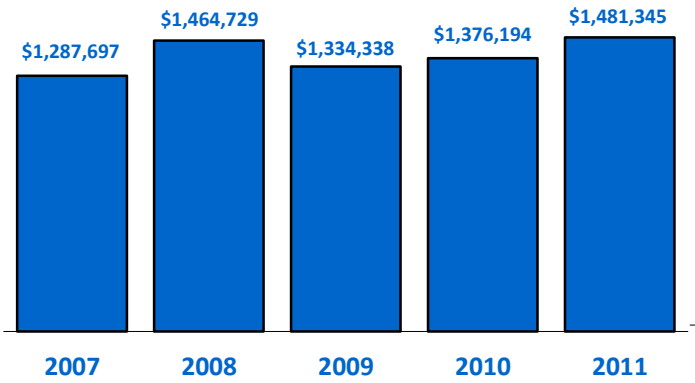
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 65 vans
Service Type: Vanpool

Service Hours:
Monday - Sunday Varies depending on needs of individual vanpools
Base Fare: Customer contribution is 45-50 percent of lease cost

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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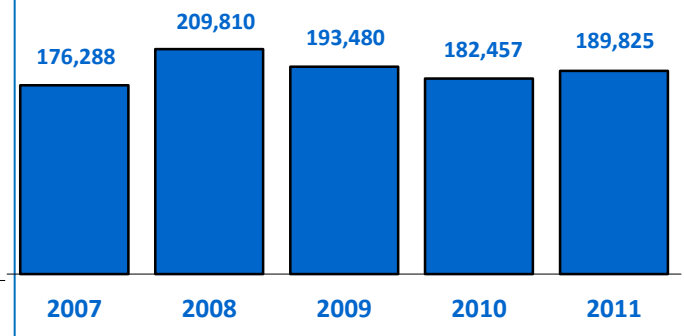

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2011 Highlights

- Won 2011 MPTA System of the Year Award.
- Received Certificate of Excellence for Financial Reporting.
- Initiated implementation of CAD/AVL System with RouteMatch.
- Recorded record ridership to Minnesota State Fair.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Minnesota Valley Transit Authority
Type of Government: Joint Powers Agreement
Area Served: Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan, Rosemount, Savage and contracted service in Lakeville
Legislative District: 35B, 37A, 37B, 38A, 38B, 39A and 40A
Congressional District: 2

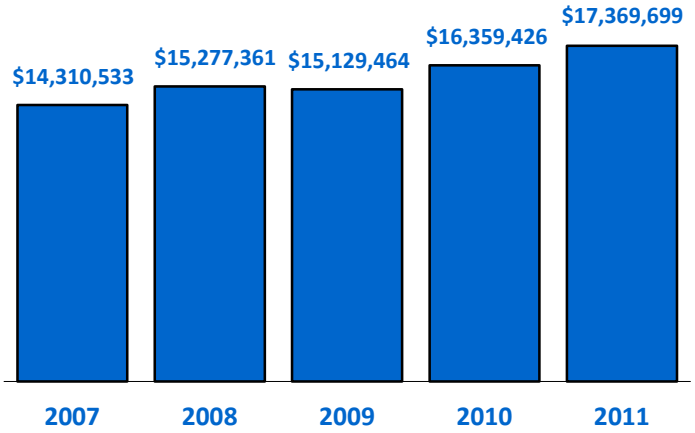
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 12 Class 400, 74 Class 600 and 32 Class 700
Service Type: Fixed route and flexible fixed route

Service Hours (Local):
Monday - Friday 4:45 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. (local)
4:45 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. (express)
Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Base Fare: $1.75

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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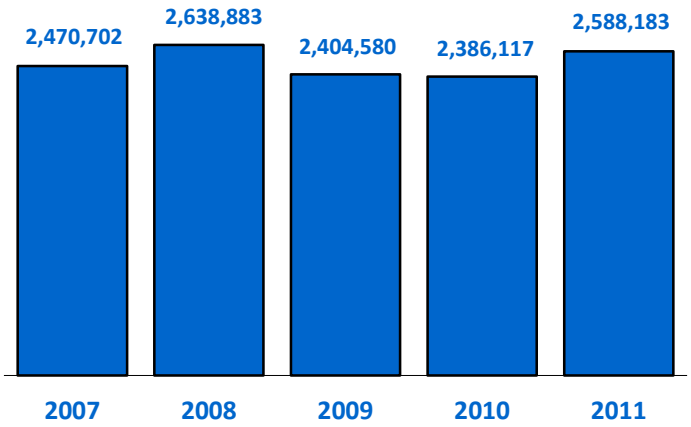

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2011 Highlights

- Increased ridership by 5 percent in 2011.
- Replaced two 40 foot express buses with two low floor 40 foot Gilig buses. Now all the 40 foot buses in the fleet are low floor.
- Received 2011 Driver Awards for excellent customer service and safe driving (Dollian Davis and Ger Yang)

System Snapshot

Legal Name:	City of Plymouth
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Plymouth
Legislative District:	33A, 43A, 43B and 45A
Congressional District:	3

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	28 Class 400, six Class 500 and nine Class 700
Service Type:	Fixed route and dial-a-ride

Service Hours:	
Monday – Friday (Dial-A-Ride)	6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Monday – Friday (Fixed Route)	6 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$2.25 off-peak, $3 peak and $3 dial-a-ride

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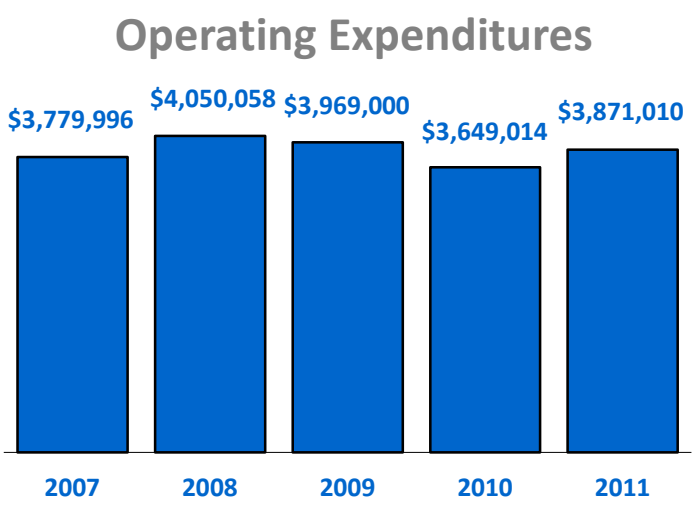

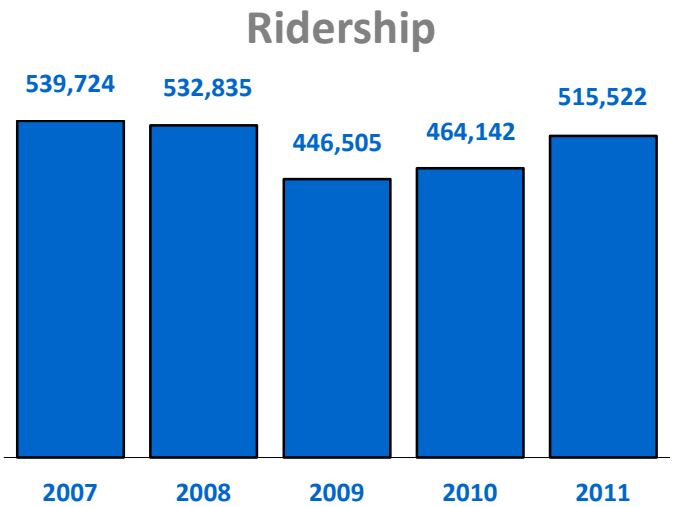

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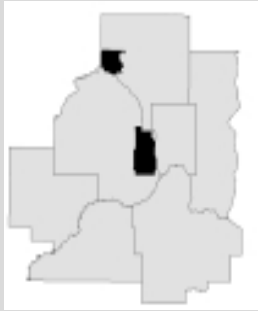

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2011 Highlights

- Formed agreement to add *Fabulous Friday* midday service between St. Cloud and Minneapolis, effective January 2012.
- Commenced 200 vehicle expansion of the Ramsey Municipal Parking Facility.
- Secured funding for construction of the Northstar Line Ramsey Station.

System Snapshot

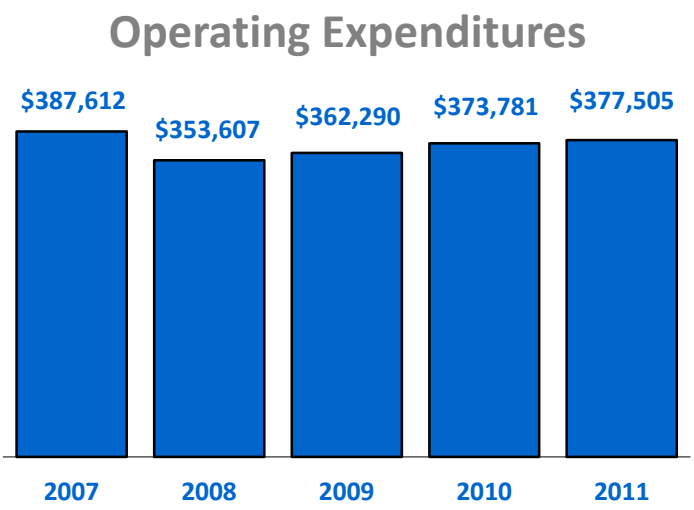
Legal Name: City of Ramsey
Type of Government: City
Area Served: Minneapolis and Ramsey
Legislative District: 48B, 58A, 58B, 59A, 59B, 60A, 60B, 61A, 61B, 62A, 62B and 63A
Congressional District: 5 and 6

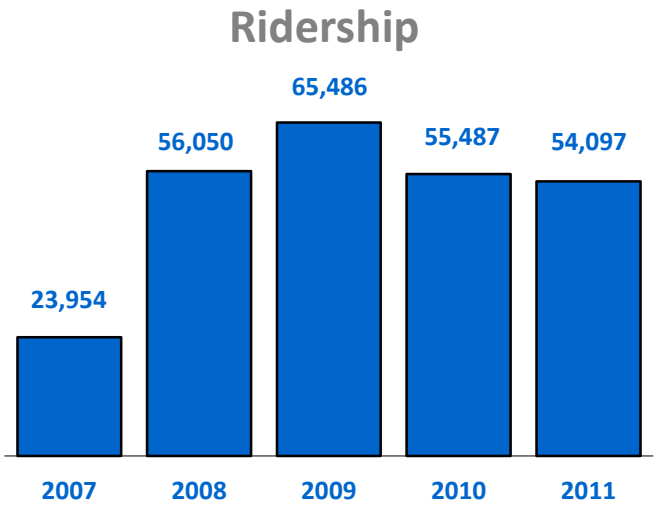
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Three MCI D4500 Motor Coaches
Service Type: Commuter express

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5:20 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
3:35 p.m. - 6:35 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $3

System Data





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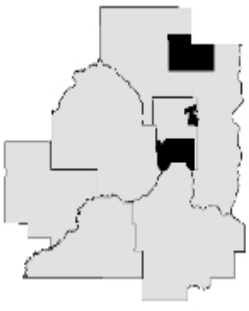

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2011 Highlights

- Held customer appreciation events at park and rides along the route in October 2011.
- Modified the route structure to provide two trips express (no White Bear stop) from Forest Lake/Running Aces and changed routing in downtown St. Paul due to LRT construction and customer demand.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: Rush Line Corridor Task Force
Type of Government: Joint Powers Board
Area Served: St. Paul to Hinckley to Forest Lake South
Legislative District: 8B, 17A, 17B, 52A, 52B, 53A, 53B, 54B, 55A, 65A, 65B, 66A, 67A and 67B
Congressional District: 4, 6 and 8

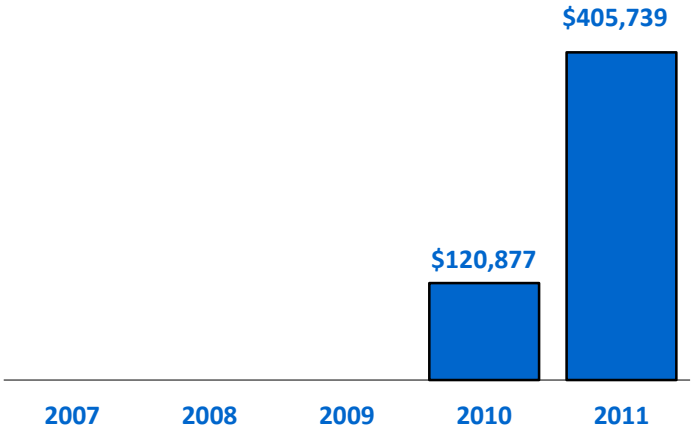
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Four Coach buses
Service Type: Express service

Service Hours:
Monday – Friday Leave Forest Lake 5:43 a.m. - 7:18 a.m.; Arrive 6:38 a.m. - 8:13 a.m.; Leave St. Paul 3:39 p.m. to 5:14 p.m.
Base Fare: $3

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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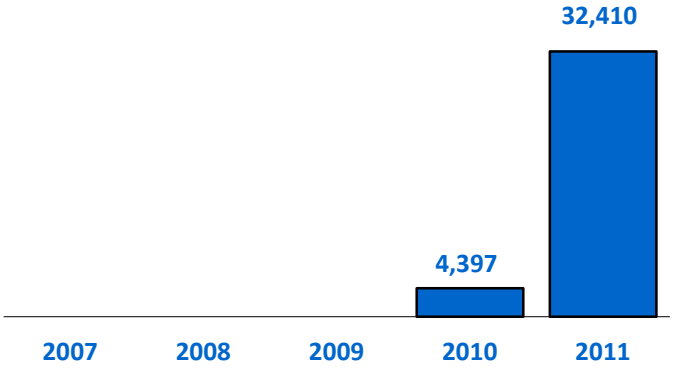

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2011 Highlights

- Opened Eagle Creek Station, our second park and ride on July 2, 2012.
- Increased circulator ridership 21 percent from 2011
- Ceased van pool operations Oct. 1, 2011.
- Began preparations for opening the Marshall Road Transit Center in 2013.

System Snapshot

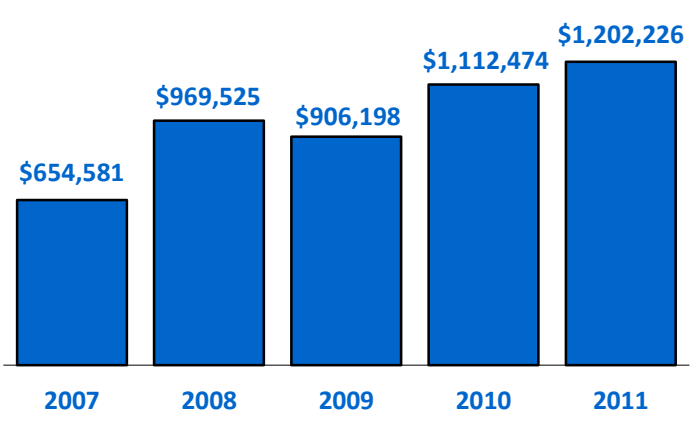
Legal Name:	Shakopee Transit
Type of Government:	City
Area Served:	Shakopee, downtown Minneapolis and Prior Lake
Legislative District:	35A and 35B
Congressional District:	2

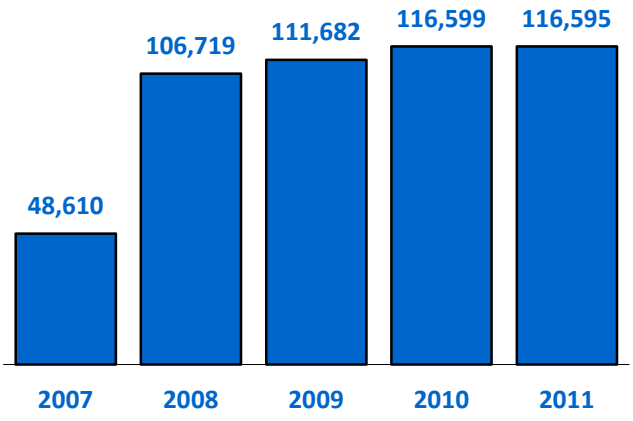
System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Five Class 200 and five Class 700
Service Type:	Express bus, local circulator and shuttle service

Service Hours:	
Monday – Friday (Express)	5:37 a.m. - 7:21 p.m.
Monday – Friday (Circulator)	5:40 a.m. - 5:27 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	No service
Base Fare:	$3 express; $1 circulator

System Data





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2011 Highlights

- Celebrated 25th anniversary.
- Opened new Chanhassen Transit Station for service and began design of new East Creek Station ramp and station in Chaska
- Received MPTA Management Innovation Award for SWT "Park-Out" Program.
- Developed first Smart Phone app in region.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: SouthWest Transit
Type of Government: Local government; joint powers
Area Served: Chanhassen, Chaska and Eden Prairie
Legislative District: 34A, 34B, 42A and 42B
Congressional District: 2 and 3

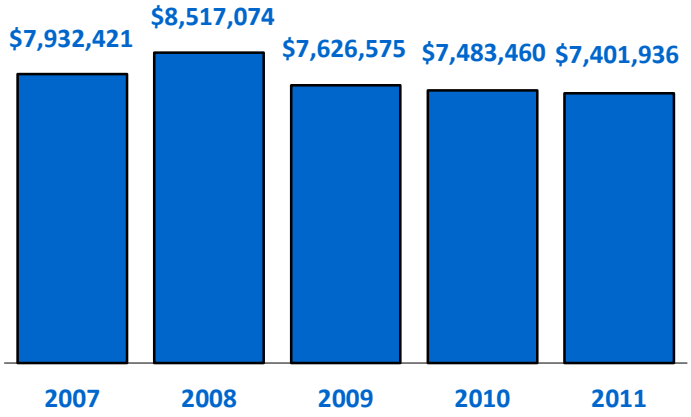
System Characteristics

Vehicles: 10 Class 400 and 50 Class 700
Service Type: Fixed route

Service Hours:
Monday - Friday 5 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: $3 peak express, $2.25 non-peak express, $2.25 peak local and $1.75 non-peak local

System Data

Operating Expenditures



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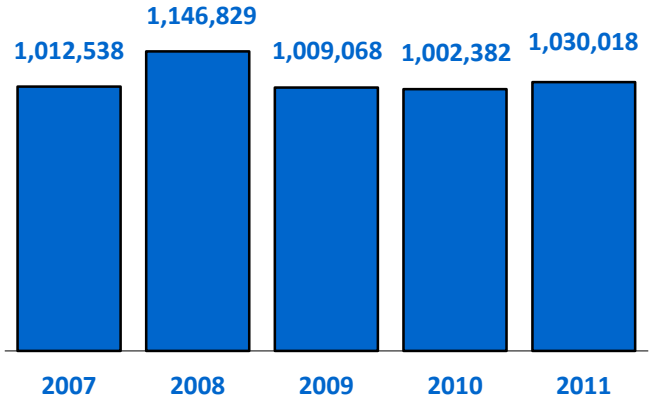

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2011 Highlights

- In 2011, Washington Avenue was closed to all vehicle traffic due to light rail construction. Re-routed more than 20 campus shuttle buses and hundreds of city buses onto East River Road, Pleasant Street and University Avenue.
- Sold 37,319 fall and spring U-Passes for the 2011-12 school year.

System Snapshot

Legal Name: University of Minnesota Parking and Transportation Services
Type of Government: Higher education
Area Served: Minneapolis and St. Paul campuses
Legislative Senate/House District: Metro
Congressional District: 2, 3 4, 5 and 6

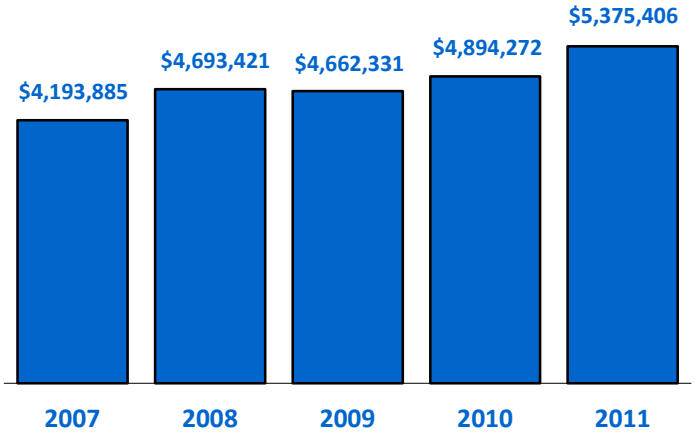
System Characteristics

Vehicles: Two Class 200, three Class 400 and 20 Class 700
Service Type: Fixed route and dial-a-ride

Service Hours:
Monday – Friday (Fixed Route) 7 a.m. - midnight
Saturday - Sunday 9:20 a.m. - midnight
Monday – Friday (Dial-A-Ride) 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday No service
Base Fare: Free

System Data

Operating Costs



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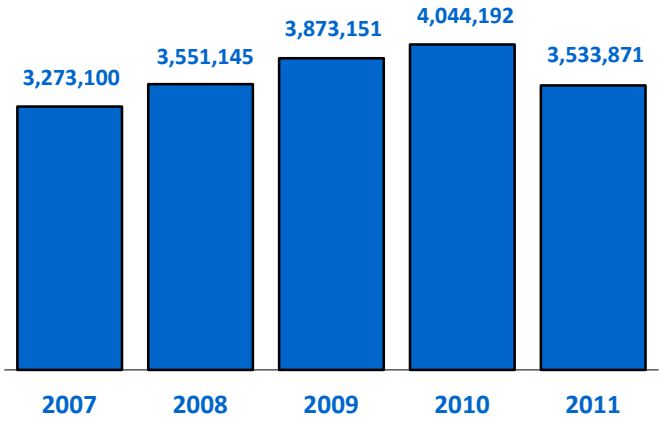

JEFFERSON LINES

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2011 Highlights

- Eliminated need for subsidy to operate routes 701 and 701 serving Minneapolis to Sioux Falls due to increased ridership.
- Added nine Minnesota communities to the intercity route network-Cambridge, Mora, Hutchinson, Litchfield, Glencoe, Eden Prairie, Hastings, Red Wing and Lake City.

System Overview

Jefferson Lines is a private inter-city bus operator based in Minneapolis has served Minnesota community for 93 years. Jefferson provides direct service to 72 Minnesota communities, 170 communities in the central United States and connections to more than 4,000 destinations in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

System Characteristics

Vehicles:	Over the road coaches
Service Type:	Intercity bus carrier
Funding Class:	Intercity Bus Section 5311(f)
Service Hours:	24 hours daily, seven days weekly
Base Fare:	Varies

System Data

Fiscal Year 2012 Subsidized Routes (July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013)	**Mileage (Daily)**
Duluth to Minneapolis (909/910)	402
Duluth to Minneapolis (906/907)	390
Duluth to Grand Rapids (919/920)	260
Minneapolis to La Crosse (932/935)	350
Fargo to Wadena (929B/930B)	200
Fargo, Bemidji, Grand Forks (927/928)	336
Minneapolis, Hastings, Rochester (923/924)	230
Minneapolis to Sioux Falls (925/926)	290

LAND TO AIR EXPRESS

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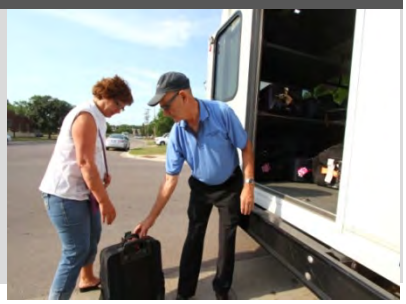

2011 Highlights

- Added new intercity bus service from Mankato to Albert Lea, Austin, Rochester International Airport, Rochester and Mayo Clinic.
- Added new intercity bus service from Mankato to Waseca and Owatonna
- Expanded intercity bus service from Mankato/Highway 169 communities to Minneapolis/St. Paul.

System Overview

Land to Air Express was founded in Mankato in 1983 with service from Mankato to MSP. In 2009, Land to Air was purchased by Charlie Zelle, the owner of Jefferson Lines. Land to Air operates independently from Jefferson Lines and maintains its local touch and commitment to southern Minnesota. Land to Air provides intercity bus connections to the MSP Airport, Rochester International Airport, and Amtrak as well as bus connections to Jefferson and Greyhound.

System Characteristics

Vehicles: 14 passenger mini buses
Service Type: Scheduled intercity bus service
Funding Class: Intercity Bus Section 5311(f)
Service Hours: 24 hours daily, seven days weekly except Christmas
Base Fare: Varies; $15-$35 per trip

System Data

Fiscal Year 2012 Subsidized Routes (July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013)	**Annual Mileage**
Owatonna to Waseca and Mankato (232/233)	46,592
Rochester to Austin, Albert Lea and Mankato (234/235)	91,000
Daily service from Mankato to University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Metro with stops at the Airport, Hawthorne Center, Amtrak, MN Capital, St Paul Depot and University of Minnesota-Minneapolis (501/511, 502/512, 503/513, 504/514, 505/515, 506/516)	428,064
Weekend service from Mankato to University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Metro with stops at the Airport, Hawthorne Center, Amtrak, MN Capital, St Paul Depot and University of Minnesota-Minneapolis (701/711, 702/712, 703/713)	229,320

Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Capital Program

The purpose of the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 program is to meet the special transportation needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities for whom existing mass transportation services are unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate. The program seeks to enhance coordination of federally assisted programs and services to encourage the most efficient use of federal resources and to achieve the goal of improved mobility for elderly persons and persons with disabilities.

The State of Minnesota receives Section 5310 funds each year through a formula or annual appropriation from the U.S. DOT-FTA. It is MnDOT's policy to use Section 5310 funds to purchase lift-equipped vehicles. New vehicles may be used to replace existing vehicles, expand current services, or initiate new services. Grant vehicles are purchased under MnDOT's Cooperative Vehicle Procurement Program through the Department of Administration.

Listed below are organizations currently receiving Section 5310 funds:

1. **ABILITY BUILDING CENTER (ABC WORKS)**
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9. **CEDAR VALLEY SERVICES INC.**
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10. **CLEARWATER DAY ACTIVITY CENTER, INC.**
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24. EPIC ENTERPRISE, INC.
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33. HMONG AMERICAN PARTNERSHIP
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Financial Statistics

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2011 Operating Expenditures

Operating expenditures for Greater Minnesota transit systems are categorized according to their state statutory categories - urbanized, elderly and disabled, small urban and rural systems. Figures presented are unaudited.

I. Greater Minnesota Transit Systems –Total

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share (5307/5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Urbanized	$24,923,373	$3,038,000	$4,552,328	$8,836,872	$8,496,173	34%
Elderly & disabled (ADA complementary paratransit)	$4,739,045	$0	$981,539	$1,907,400	$1,850,106	39%
Small urban	$4,549,283	$1,184,388	$746,990	$1,353,384	$1,264,521	28%
Rural	$28,207,803	$7,431,754	$4,947,421	$8,815,938	$7,012,690	25%
Total	$62,419,504	$11,654,142	$11,228,278	$20,913,594	$18,623,491	30%

I.a Urbanized Systems

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share (5307)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Duluth Transit Authority RR	$11,733,880	$868,000	$2,405,840	$4,670,160	$3,789,880	32%
East Grand Forks, City of – RR	$252,736	$70,000	$35,224	$68,376	$79,136	31%
La Crescent Apple Express	$262,064	$44,000	$33,184	$64,416	$120,464	46%
Moorhead, City of (MAT)	$1,476,225	$281,000	$287,980	$559,020	$348,225	24%
Rochester Public Transit - RR	$5,150,838	$884,000	$678,640	$1,317,360	$2,270,838	44%
St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission RR	$6,047,630	$891,000	$1,111,460	$2,157,540	$1,887,630	31%
Total	**$24,923,373**	**$3,038,000**	**$4,552,328**	**$8,836,872**	**$8,496,173**	**34%**

I.b Elderly & Disabled Systems (ADA Complementary Paratransit)

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Duluth Transit Authority-STRIDE	$702,302	$0	$161,840	$314,160	$226,302	32%
East Grand Forks, City of (DAR)	$48,752	$0	$13,389	$28,050	$7,313	15%
Moorhead, City of (DAR)	$344,425	$0	$72,250	$140,250	$131,925	38%
Rochester, City of (DAR)	$664,579	$0	$184,960	$359,040	$120,579	18%
St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission (DAR)	$2,978,987	$0	$549,100	$1,065,900	$1,363,987	46%
Total	**$4,739,045**	**$0**	**$981,539**	**$1,907,400**	**$1,850,106**	**39%**

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2011 Operating Expenditures Cont'd

I.c Small Urban Systems

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share (5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Albert Lea Transit	$249,792	$60,550	$47,246	$92,037	$49,958	20%
Benson Heartland Express	$172,398	$45,500	$29,682	$57,618	$39,598	23%
Faribault Flyer	$183,595	$48,300	$28,458	$55,242	$51,595	28%
Granite Falls Heartland Express	$119,608	$25,550	$17,969	$34,881	$41,208	34%
Greater Mankato Transit System	$1,504,091	$460,500	$252,433	$351,867	$439,291	29%
Hibbing Area Transit	$277,791	$74,200	$42,772	$83,028	$77,791	28%
Le Sueur Heartland Express	$217,268	$60,414	$37,519	$72,831	$46,505	21%
Montevideo Heartland Express	$164,013	$26,950	$24,837	$48,213	$64,013	39%
Morris Transit	$387,081	$105,174	$69,173	$134,277	$78,457	20%
Northfield Transit	$312,511	$97,578	$40,297	$112,134	$62,502	20%
St. Peter Transit	$297,694	$69,300	$48,518	$94,182	$85,694	29%
Stewartville Heartland Express	$62,415	$15,872	$9,112	$24,948	$12,483	20%
Winona Transit Services	$601,026	$94,500	$98,974	$192,126	$215,426	36%
Total	**$4,549,283**	**$1,184,388**	**$746,990**	**$1,353,384**	**$1,264,521**	**28%**

I.d Rural Systems

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share (5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Arrowhead Transit	$5,070,400	$1,879,756	$978,299	$1,334,451	$877,894	17%
Austin-Mower County Area Transit	$586,595	$122,150	$113,373	$220,077	$130,995	22%
Becker County Transit	$350,443	$96,600	$64,260	$124,740	$64,843	19%
Brainerd and Crow Wing Public Transit	$848,883	$225,400	$149,651	$290,499	$183,333	22%
Brown County Heartland Express	$601,160	$172,550	$112,710	$218,790	$97,110	16%
Chisago-Isanti Heartland Express	$1,140,228	$255,150	$180,863	$351,087	$353,128	31%
Community Transit of Western Community Action	$1,538,852	$380,000	$285,260	$439,740	$433,852	28%
Cottonwood County Transit	$143,862	$33,950	$24,293	$47,157	$38,462	27%
Dawson Heartland Express	$68,855	$18,258	$13,044	$27,225	$10,328	15%
FAR North Public Transit	$285,148	$80,850	$54,441	$107,085	$42,772	15%
Faribault County Prairie Express	$195,044	$49,000	$31,892	$61,908	$52,244	27%
Fosston Transit	$73,479	$20,901	$11,593	$29,964	$11,022	15%
Hubbard County Heartland Express	$335,416	$74,200	$61,472	$119,328	$80,416	24%
Kandiyohi Area Transit	$1,081,103	$431,805	$206,040	$258,960	$184,299	17%
Lincoln County Heartland Express	$222,891	$49,000	$35,360	$68,640	$69,891	31%

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2011 Operating Expenditures Cont'd

I.d Rural Systems - Continued

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share (5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Mahnomen County Heartland Express	$203,010	$53,900	$32,249	$62,601	$54,260	27%
Martin County Express	$551,946	$144,200	$106,454	$206,646	$94,646	17%
Meeker County Public Transit	$685,447	$90,650	$107,899	$209,451	$277,447	40%
Murray County Heartland Express	$116,342	$24,500	$17,969	$34,881	$38,992	34%
Paul Bunyan Transit	$853,767	$217,132	$169,269	$328,581	$138,785	16%
Pine River Ride with Us Bus	$77,032	$24,619	$13,804	$26,796	$11,813	15%
Pipestone County Transit	$386,289	$91,000	$67,320	$130,680	$97,289	25%
Prairie Five Rides	$893,224	$169,050	$138,465	$268,785	$316,924	35%
Prairieland Transit	$329,306	$78,750	$61,370	$119,130	$70,056	21%
Rainbow Rider Transit	$1,714,851	$257,600	$308,635	$599,115	$549,501	32%
Red Lake Transit	$234,294	$87,500	$0	$0	$146,794	Na
Renville County Heartland Express	$526,291	$54,250	$76,925	$149,325	$245,791	47%
RiverRider Public Transit System	$874,581	$238,000	$170,510	$330,990	$135,081	15%
Rock County Heartland Express	$323,770	$81,550	$63,308	$122,892	$56,020	17%
SEMCAC Transportation	$286,170	$61,600	$45,815	$88,935	$89,820	31%
Steele County Area Transit	$486,395	$109,900	$81,124	$157,476	$137,895	28%
Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit	$1,070,244	$264,950	$185,334	$359,766	$260,194	24%
Timber Trails Public Transit	$602,693	$149,450	$96,288	$186,912	$170,043	28%
Trailblazer Transit	$1,819,563	$310,450	$241,247	$468,303	$799,563	44%
Transit Alternatives	$1,028,027	$278,250	$177,055	$343,695	$229,027	22%
Tri-CAP Transit Connection	$1,002,866	$290,500	$185,895	$360,855	$165,616	17%
Tri-Valley Heartland Express Bus	$949,202	$270,553	$172,465	$334,785	$171,399	18%
Wadena County Friendly Rider Transit	$347,939	$104,341	$57,955	$133,452	$52,191	15%
Watonwan Take Me There	$302,195	$59,150	$47,515	$92,235	$103,295	34%
Totals	**$28,207,803**	**$7,401,415**	**$4,947,421**	**$8,815,938**	**$7,043,031**	**25%**

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2011 Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures are categorized according to National Transit Database categories. Figures presented are unaudited.

III. Greater Minnesota Transit Systems –Total

Transit System	Total Expenditure	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Urbanized	$16,173,472	$13,594,589	$0	$2,578,874
Small urban	$438,051	$253,624	$94,955	$89,471
Rural	$5,113,189	$3,361,532	$1,194,346	$557,311
Total	**$21,724,712**	**$17,209,745**	**$1,289,301**	**$3,225,656**

III.a Urbanized Systems*

Transit System	Asset Category	Total Expenditure	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Duluth Transit Authority	Passenger stations & facilities	$18,017	$14,660	$0	$3,357
	Support facilities & garages	$553,339	$442,671	$0	$110,668
	Vehicles	$4,045,290	$3,236,232	$0	$809,058
	Technology, maintenance & improvements	$62,832	50,266	$0	$12,566
Moorhead, City of (MAT)	passenger stations & facilities	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Support facilities & garages	$2,855	$2,284	$0	$571
	Vehicles	$67,093	$53,674	$0	$13,419
	Technology, maintenance & improvements	$28,750	$28,750	$0	$0
	Other	$26,860	$26,860	$0	$0
Rochester Public Transit - RR	Passenger stations & facilities	$1,482,024	$1,473,685	$0	$8,339
	Support facilities & garages	$6,208,526	$5,349,740	$0	$858,786
	vehicles	$1,462,772	$1,170,218	$0	$292,554
	Technology, maintenance & improvements	$92,849	$74,279	$0	$18,570
St. Cloud Metro Bus	Passenger stations & facilities	$535,690	$442,869	$0	$92,821
	vehicles	$1,496,504	$1,189,981	$0	$306,523
	Technology, maintenance & improvements	$34,774	$9,144	$0	$25,630
	Other	$55,297	$29,276	$0	$26,012
Total		**$16,173,472**	**$13,594,589**	**$0**	**$2,578,874**

*City of Moorhead information is reported for Calendar Year 2011 (Jan. 1, 2011-Dec. 31, 2011). All other urbanized systems reported for Federal Fiscal Year 2011 (Oct. 1, 2010-Sept. 20, 2011).

III.b Small Urban Systems

Transit System	Asset Category	Total Expenditure	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Albert Lea Transit	Support facilities and garages	$43,160	$34,528	$0	$8,632
	Vehicles	$65,883	$52,706	$0	$13,177
Benson Heartland Express	Vehicles	$56,616	$45,293	$0	$11,323
Greater Mankato Transit System	Vehicles	$120,327	$0	$94,400	$25,927
Morris Transit	Vehicles	$53,860	$43,088	$0	$10,772
Northfield Transit	Support facilities and garages	$44,379	$35,503	$0	$8,876
	Other	$694	$0	$555	$139
Stewartville Heartland Express	Vehicles	$53,132	$42,506	$0	$10,626
Total		**$438,051**	**$253,624**	**$94,955**	**$89,471**

III.c Rural Systems

Transit System	Asset Category	Total Expenditure	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Arrowhead Transit	Vehicles	$169,484	$83,265	$69,270	$16,948
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$223,621	$223,621	$0	$0
Austin-Mower County Area Transit	Vehicles	$64,279	$51,424	$0	$12,856
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$9,330	$0	$7,464	$1,866
Brainerd and Crow Wing Public Transit	Vehicles	$72,091	$57,600	$0	$14,491
Brown County Heartland Express	Vehicles	$64,549	$51,639	$0	$12,910
Chisago-Isanti Heartland Express	Vehicles	$127,638	$102,110	$0	$25,528
Community Transit of Western Community Action	Vehicles	$135,476	$105,600	$0	$29,876
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$128,439	$102,751	$0	$25,688
Dawson Heartland Express	Vehicles	$57,100	$45,680	$0	$11,420
FAR North Public Transit	Technology maintenance and improvements	$7,463	$0	$5,970	$1,493
Faribault County Prairie Express	Vehicles	$61,366	$49,093	$0	$12,273
Fosston Transit	Vehicles	$64,068	$51,254	$0	$12,814
Hubbard County Heartland Express	Vehicles	$71,946	$52,800	$0	$19,146
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$720	$0	$576	$144
Kandiyohi Area Transit	Vehicles	$126,685	$97,300	$4,049	$25,337
Meeker County Public Transit	Technology maintenance and improvements	$224,040	$224,040	$0	$0

Martin County Express	Vehicles	$56,608	$45,286	$0	$11,322
Paul Bunyan Transit	Vehicles	$226,801	$168,425	$0	$58,376
	Support facilities and garages	$1,000,000	$1,000,000	$0	$0
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$22,318	$0	$14,400	$7,918
Rainbow Rider Transit	Support facilities and garages	$250,000	$0	$200,000	$50,000
Renville County Heartland Express	Vehicles	$62,345	$62,345	$0	$0
SEMCAC Transportation	Vehicles	$64,540	$63,285	$1,254	$0
Steele County Area Transit	Vehicles	$57,050	$45,640	$0	$11,410
Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit	Passenger stations & facilities	$63,382	$63,382	$0	$0
	Vehicles	$202,492	$158,358	$0	$44,134
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$535	$428	$0	$107
Trailblazer Transit	Support facilities and garages	$829,560	$0	$813,560	$16,000
	Vehicles	$197,517	$158,014	$0	$39,503
	technology maintenance and improvements	$39,917	$0	$31,933	$7,983
Transit Alternatives	Vehicles	$132,673	$105,600	$0	$27,073
Tri-CAP Transit Connection	Vehicles	$60,394	$48,315	$0	$12,079
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$57,337	$0	$45,869	$11,467
Tri-Valley Heartland Express Bus	Vehicles	$67,081	$52,800	$0	$14,281
Wadena County Friendly Rider Transit	Vehicles	$57,930	$46,344	$0	$11,586
Watonwan Take Me There	Vehicles	$56,418	$45,134	$0	$11,284
Total		**$5,113,189**	**$3,361,532**	**$1,194,346**	**$557,311**

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2012 Operating Budget

Figures represent contracted amounts and are categorized according to their state statutory categories: urbanized, elderly and disabled, small urban and rural systems.

II. Greater Minnesota Transit Systems –Total

	Total Budget	Federal Share (5307/5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share
Urbanized	$20,534,000	$2,868,000	$6,132,395	$7,426,805	$4,106,800	20%
Elderly and disabled (ADA complementary paratransit)	$3,400,000	$0	$1,300,400	$1,589,600	$510,000	15%
Small urban	$3,972,000	$1,136,700	$917,900	$1,123,000	$794,400	20%
Rural	$25,040,700	$6,707,160	$6,528,535	$7,983,400	$3,821,605	15%
Total	**$52,946,700**	**$10,711,860**	**$14,879,230**	**$18,122,805**	**$9,232,805**	**17.4%**

II.a Urbanized Systems

	Total Budget	Federal Share (5307)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share*
Duluth Transit Authority - RR	$9,930,000	$826,000	$3,203,100	$3,914,900	$1,986,000	20%
East Grand Forks, City of – RR	$217,000	$69,000	$47,000	$57,600	$43,400	20%
La Crescent Apple Express	$177,000	$44,000	$43,900	$53,700	$35,400	20%
Moorhead, City of (MAT)	$1,410,000	$283,000	$380,200	$464,800	$282,000	20%
Rochester Public Transit - RR	$3,600,000	$787,000	$941,800	$1,151,200	$720,000	20%
St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission RR	$5,200,000	$859,000	$1,485,400	$1,815,600	$1,040,000	20%
Total	**$20,534,000**	**$2,868,000**	**$6,101,400**	**$7,457,800**	**$4,106,800**	**20%**

II.b Elderly and Disabled Systems (ADA Complementary Paratransit)

	Total Budget	Federal Share	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share*
Duluth Transit Authority - STRIDE	$560,000	$0	$214,200	$261,800	$84,000	15%
East Grand Forks, City of - DAR	$50,000	$0	$19,100	$23,400	$7,500	15%
Moorhead, City of - Paratransit	$250,000	$0	$95,600	$116,900	$37,500	15%
Rochester, City of - DAR	$640,000	$0	$244,800	$299,200	$96,000	15%
St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission - DAR	$1,900,000	$0	$726,700	$888,300	$285,000	15%
Total	**$3,400,000**	**$0**	**$1,300,400**	**$1,589,600**	**$510,000**	**15%**

*Statutory local share which appears in contracts.

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2012 Operating Budget Continued

II.c Small Urban Systems

	Total Budget	Federal Share (5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share*
Albert Lea Transit	$250,000	$60,550	$62,750	$76,700	$50,000	20%
Benson Heartland Express	$165,000	$45,150	$39,050	$47,800	$33,000	20%
Granite Falls Heartland Express	$96,000	$24,850	$23,350	$28,600	$19,200	20%
Hibbing Area Transit	$250,000	$68,250	$59,250	$72,500	$50,000	20%
Le Sueur Heartland Express	$210,000	$59,500	$48,800	$59,700	$42,000	20%
Mankato Transit System	$1,331,000	$460,500	$271,900	$332,400	$266,200	20%
Montevideo Heartland Express	$122,000	$25,900	$32,200	$39,500	$24,400	20%
Morris Transit	$390,000	$109,900	$90,900	$111,200	$78,000	20%
Northfield Transit	$341,000	$102,900	$76,400	$93,500	$68,200	20%
St. Peter Transit	$265,000	$66,500	$65,400	$80,100	$53,000	20%
Stewartville Heartland Express	$70,000	$18,200	$17,000	$20,800	$14,000	20%
Winona Transit Service	$482,000	$94,500	$130,900	$160,200	$96,400	20%
Total	**$3,972,000**	**$1,136,700**	**$917,900**	**$1,123,000**	**$794,400**	**20%**

II.d Rural Systems

	Total Budget	Federal Share (5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share*
Arrowhead Transit	$4,935,000	$1,272,250	$1,315,100	$1,607,400	$740,250	15%
Austin-Mower County Area Transit	$536,000	$122,150	$150,050	$183,400	$80,400	15%
Becker County Transit	$315,000	$89,250	$80,300	$98,200	$47,250	15%
Brainerd and Crow Wing Public Transit	$783,000	$225,400	$198,050	$242,100	$117,450	15%
Brown County Heartland Express	$593,000	$172,550	$149,100	$182,400	$88,950	15%
Chisago-Isanti County Heartland Express	$916,700	$268,345	$229,850	$281,000	$137,505	15%
Community Transit of Western Community Action	$1,300,000	$380,000	$326,200	$398,800	$195,000	15%
Cottonwood County Transit	$124,000	$33,950	$32,150	$39,300	$18,600	15%
Dawson Heartland Express	$70,000	$19,250	$18,050	$22,200	$10,500	15%
FAR North Public Transit	$286,000	$80,850	$72,950	$89,300	$42,900	15%
Faribault County Prairie Express	$156,200	$45,220	$39,350	$48,200	$23,430	15%
Fosston Transit	$79,000	$22,505	$20,045	$24,600	$11,850	15%
Hubbard County Heartland Express	$300,000	$74,200	$81,300	$99,500	$45,000	15%
Kandiyohi Area Transit	$1,100,000	$329,000	$272,700	$333,300	$165,000	15%
Lincoln County Heartland Express	$167,400	$44,590	$43,900	$53,800	$25,110	15%
Mahnomen County Heartland Express	$166,200	$50,820	$40,650	$49,800	$24,930	15%

*Statutory local share which appears in contracts.

Greater Minnesota Transit Systems – 2012 Operating Budget Continued

II.d Rural Systems - Continued

	Total Budget	Federal Share (5311)	State Share	MVST	Local Share	% Local Share*
Martin County Express	$538,000	$144,200	$140,800	$172,300	$80,700	15%
Meeker County Public Transit	$480,000	$90,650	$142,750	$174,600	$72,000	15%
Murray County Heartland Express	$90,000	$24,150	$23,550	$28,800	$13,500	15%
Paul Bunyan Transit	$848,000	$222,950	$223,950	$273,900	$127,200	15%
Pine River Ride With Us Bus	$71,600	$22,785	$17,075	$21,000	$10,740	15%
Pipestone County Transit	$340,000	$91,000	$89,100	$108,900	$51,000	15%
Prairie Five Rides	$678,000	$169,050	$183,250	$224,000	$101,700	15%
Prairieland Transit	$305,000	$77,350	$81,800	$100,100	$45,750	15%
Rainbow Rider Transit	$1,371,000	$257,600	$408,450	$499,300	$205,650	15%
Red Lake Transit	$180,000	$87,500	$0	$0	$92,500	51%
Renville County Heartland Express	$330,000	$54,250	$101,750	$124,500	$49,500	15%
RiverRider Public Transit System	$826,500	$224,665	$214,960	$262,900	$123,975	15%
Rock County Heartland Express	$315,000	$81,550	$83,700	$102,500	$47,250	15%
SEMCAC Transportation	$231,000	$61,600	$60,550	$74,200	$34,650	15%
Steele County Area Transit	$410,000	$109,900	$107,300	$131,300	$61,500	15%
Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit	$1,118,000	$313,250	$286,650	$350,400	$167,700	15%
Timber Trails Public Transit	$483,500	$141,225	$121,350	$148,400	$72,525	15%
Trailblazer Transit	$1,200,000	$310,450	$319,250	$390,300	$180,000	15%
Transit Alternatives	$940,000	$278,250	$234,250	$286,500	$141,000	15%
Tri-CAP Transit Connection	$935,800	$271,530	$235,700	$288,200	$140,370	15%
Tri-Valley Heartland Express Bus	$931,500	$276,570	$231,805	$283,400	$139,725	15%
Wadena County Friendly Rider Transit	$368,000	$111,300	$90,600	$110,900	$55,200	15%
Watonwan Take Me There	$222,300	$55,055	$60,200	$73,700	$33,345	15%
Total	**$25,040,700**	**$6,707,160**	**$6,528,535**	**$7,983,400**	**$3,821,605**	**15%**

*Statutory local share which appears in contracts.

Metropolitan Area Transit Systems – 2011 Operating Expenditures

IV. Metro Area Transit Systems – Total

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Metropolitan Council transit systems	$344,415,466	$10,380,583	$217,436,649	$116,598,234
Suburban transit providers	$34,925,043	$60,000	$23,035,999	$11,829,044
Other transit services/providers	$6,158,648	$332,493	$266,742	$5,559,413
Total	**$385,499,157**	**$10,773,076**	**$240,739,390**	**$133,986,691**

IV.a Metropolitan Council Transit Systems

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Metro Transit – regular route bus	$240,340,513	$6,137,476	$159,838,588	$74,364,449
Metro Transit – light rail transit	$25,755,340	$0	$4,520,450	$21,234,890
Metro Transit – commuter rail*	$15,636,739	$0	$3,406,965	$12,229,774
Metro Mobility	$41,506,214	$2,750,000	$33,323,573	$5,432,641
Metropolitan Council contracted services – regular route bus	$12,921,070	$860,681	$10,658,523	$1,401,866
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Transit Link	$6,774,245	$632,426	$4,981,226	$1,160,593
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Metro Vanpool	$1,481,345	$0	$707,324	$774,021
Total	**$344,415,466**	**$10,380,583**	**$217,436,649**	**$116,598,234**

***** The state share for Northstar Commuter Rail is comprised of 16.1 percent MnDOT Greater Minnesota funding.

IV.b Suburban Transit Providers

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Laker Lines	$950,770	$60,000	$468,161	$422,609
Maple Grove Transit	$4,129,402	$0	$2,170,924	$1,958,478
Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	$17,369,699	$0	$11,891,920	$5,477,779
Plymouth Metrolink	$3,871,010	$0	$2,797,192	$1,073,818
Shakopee Transit	$1,202,226	$0	$884,771	$317,455
SouthWest Transit	$7,401,936	$0	$4,823,031	$2,578,905
Total	**$34,925,043**	**$60,000**	**$23,035,999**	**$11,829,044**

IV.c Other Transit Services/Providers

	Total Expenditures	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Ramsey Star Express	$377,503	$191,960	$0	$185,543
Rush Line	$405,739	$140,533	$261,430	$3,776
University of Minnesota Transit	$5,375,406	$0	$5,312	$5,370,094
Total	**$6,158,648**	**$332,493**	**$266,742**	**$5,559,413**

Metropolitan Area Transit Systems – 2011 Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures are categorized according to National Transit Database categories.

V. Metro Area Transit Systems – Total

Transit System	Asset Category	Total Expenditure	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Metro Transit - regular route bus	Guideway	$283,649	$78,999	$87,778	$116,872
	Passenger stations & facilities	$6,311,259	$3,369,710	$462,723	$2,478,826
	Support facilities and garages	$8,811,055	$5,420,516	$0	$3,390,539
	Vehicles	$61,641,558	$54,578,339	$0	$7,063,219
	Technology maintenance & Improvements	$1,799,736	$1,177,377	$0	$622,360
	Other	$877,909	$692,284	$114,107	$71,518
	TOTAL	**$79,725,166**	**$65,317,225**	**$664,608**	**$13,743,334**
Metro Transit - light rail	Guideway	$247,827,387	$53,776,349	$37,106,613	$156,944,426
	Passenger stations & facilities	$297,533	$110,691	$0	$186,842
	Support facilities and garages	$11,665,855	$7,297,018	$0	$4,368,837
	Vehicles	$8,581,129	$6,791,179	$0	$1,789,950
	Technology maintenance & improvements	$118,390	$78,719	$0	$39,671
	Other	$3,362,849	$322,765	$0	$3,040,083
	TOTAL	**$271,853,143**	**$68,376,721**	**$37,106,613**	**$166,369,808**
Metro Transit - commuter rail	Guideway	$162,483,956	$4,210,959	$256,497	$158,016,500
	Passenger stations & facilities	$17,546	$0	$0	$17,546
	Other	$6,999	$5,599	$0	$1,400
	TOTAL	**$162,508,501**	**$4,216,558**	**$256,497**	**$158,035,446**
MC - contracted services - regular route bus	Vehicles	$5,565,622	$3,693,893	$0	$1,871,729
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$386,216	$0	$0	$386,216
	TOTAL	**$5,951,838**	**$3,693,893**	**$0**	**$2,257,945**
MC - contracted services - Transit Link	Vehicles	$384,558	$384,558	$0	$0
	TOTAL	**$384,558**	**$384,558**	**$0**	**$0**
Metro Mobility	Vehicles	$3,063,422	$2,194,218	$0	$869,204
	Technology maintenance and improvements	$264,693	$0	$0	$264,693
	TOTAL	**$3,328,115**	**$2,194,218**	**$0**	**$1,133,897**
Suburban transit providers	Guideway	$209,901	$0	$99,901	$110,000

Suburban transit providers (cont'd)	Passenger stations & facilities	$1,608,757	$18,820	$222,788	$1,367,149
	Support facilities and garages	$585,985	$0	$0	$585,985
	Vehicles	$3,512,091	$2,252,680	$0	$1,259,411
	TOTAL	**$5,916,734**	**$2,271,500**	**$322,689**	**$3,322,545**
GRAND TOTAL		**$15,581,245**	**$8,544,169**	**$322,689**	**$6,714,387**

Metropolitan Area Transit Systems – 2012 Operating Budget

VI. Metro Area Transit Systems – Total

	Total Budget	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Metropolitan Council transit systems	$384,963,443	$38,583,449	$203,571,017	$142,808,977
Suburban transit providers	$35,541,575	$60,000	$21,015,572	$14,466,003
Other transit services/providers	$7,084,713	$612,589	$0	$6,472,124
Total	**$427,589,731**	**$39,256,038**	**$224,586,589**	**$163,747,104**

VI.a Metropolitan Council Transit Systems

	Total Budget	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Metro Transit – regular route bus	$273,359,920	$30,569,449	$148,667,022	$94,123,449
Metro Transit – Light rail transit	$27,816,718	$0	$4,244,696	$23,572,022
Metro Transit – Commuter rail*	$17,283,000	$0	$4,135,192	$13,147,808
Metro Mobility	$44,657,544	$4,250,000	$34,868,000	$5,539,544
Metropolitan Council contracted services – regular route bus	$14,781,517	$3,097,795	$6,745,653	$4,938,069
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Transit Link	$5,645,786	$609,000	$4,161,000	$875,786
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Metro Vanpool	$1,418,958	$57,205	$749,454	$612,299
Total	**$384,963,443**	**$38,583,449**	**$203,571,017**	**$142,808,977**

***The state share for Northstar Commuter Rail is comprised of 16.1 percent MnDOT Greater Minnesota funding.

VI.b Suburban Transit Providers

	Total Budget	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Laker Lines	$1,011,048	$60,000	$546,381	$404,667
Maple Grove Transit	$4,246,981	$0	$1,973,974	$2,273,007
Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	$16,959,971	$0	$10,145,279	$6,814,692
Plymouth Metrolink	$4,103,264	$0	$2,925,021	$1,178,243
Shakopee Transit	$1,191,270	$0	$764,835	$426,435
SouthWest Transit	$8,029,041	$0	$4,660,082	$3,368,959
Total	**$35,541,575**	**$60,000**	**$21,015,572**	**$14,466,003**

VI.c Other Services/Providers

	Total Budget	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share
Ramsey Star Express	$505,649	$0	$0	$505,649
Rush Line	$409,625	$149,850	$0	$259,775
University of Minnesota Transit	$6,169,439	$462,739	$0	$5,706,700
Total	**$7,084,713**	**$612,589**	**$0**	**$6,472,124**

Intercity Bus – 2011 Expenditures*

VII. Intercity Bus – Total

	Total Costs	Federal Share	Private Funds
Jefferson Bus Lines	$3,975,176	$1,642,322	$2,332,854
Land to Air Express	$35,017	$30,351	$4,666
Total	**$4,010,192**	**$1,672,672**	**$2,337,520**

VII.a Jefferson Bus Lines

	Total Costs	Federal Share	Private Funds
Marketing	$632,133	$505,706	$126,427
Capital	$641,460	$513,168	$128,292
Operating**	$2,701,583	$623,448	$2,078,135
Total	**$3,975,176**	**$1,642,322**	**$2,332,854**

VII.b Land to Air Express

	Total Costs	Federal Share	Private Funds
Marketing	$6,708	$5,366	$1,342
Operating**	$28,309	$24,984	$3,324
Total	**$35,017**	**$30,351**	**$4,666**

***Unaudited** ** Includes farebox revenue and operator's private funds

Intercity Bus – 2012 Budget

VIII. Intercity Bus – Total

	Total Costs	Federal Share	Private Funds
Jefferson Bus Lines	$3,650,881	$1,849,771	$1,801,110
Land to Air Express	$383,037	$168,927	$214,110
Total	**$4,033,918**	**$2,018,698**	**$2,015,220**

VIII.a Jefferson Bus Lines

	Total Costs	Federal Share	Private Funds
Marketing	$468,413	$374,730	$93,683
Capital	$540,000	$432,000	$108,000
Operating**	$2,642,469	$1,043,041	$1,599,428
Total	**$3,650,881**	**$1,849,771**	**$1,801,110**

**Includes farebox revenue and Jefferson funds

VIII.b Land to Air Express

	Total Costs	Federal Share	Private Funds
Marketing	$59,500	$47,600	$11,900
Operating**	$323,537	$121,327	$202,210
Total	**$383,037**	**$168,927**	**$214,110**

** Includes farebox revenue and operator's private funds

2011 Recipients: Job Access Reverse Commute and New Freedom Programs

IX. Job Access Reverse Commute Recipients

Metro Area	System and Project	Total Federal Award*	Contact
	Anoka County: Job Training Program (AnokAcess)	$114,000	Nicole Swanson, 763- 783-4866 nicole.swanson@co.anoka.mn.us
	Dakota County: MFIP Transportation Services	$106,900	Mark Jacobs, 651-554-5622 mark.jacobs@co.dakota.mn.us
	Emerge Community: Jobs Transportation Program	$420,800	Mike Wynne, 612-529-9267 wynnem@emerge-mn.org
	PRISM: Ways to Work	$435,307	Elizabeth Johnson, 763-432-4201 ejohnson@prismmpls.org
	Metro Transit: Route 14	$493,138	Cyndi Harper, 651-349-7723 cyndi.harper@metc.state.mn.us
	MTS: Route 721	$78,350	John Harper, 651-602-1744 john.harper@metc.state.mn.us
	MTS: Route 810	$44,283	John Harper, 651-602-7723 john.harper@metc.state.mn.us
	MTS: Route 219	$135,448	John Harper, 651-602-7723 john.harper@metc.state.mn.us
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	Arrowhead Transit: Rural Rides	$300,000	Jack Larson, 218-741-0724 jlarson@aeoa.org
	Tri-Valley Bus: Rural Bus Routes	$140,000	Cindy Pic, 218-281-0700 cpic@tvoc.org
	Duluth Transit Authority: Air Park Route	$191,500	Dennis E. Jensen, 218-722-4426 djensen@duluthtransit.com
	St. Cloud Metro Bus: Route 75	$75,000	Dave Tripp, 320-529-4482 dtripp@stcloudmtc.com
	Kandiyohi Area Transit: Willmar Industrial Park Bus Route	$20,000	Tiffany Collins, 320- 214-7433 tcollins@katbus.org
	Trailblazer Transit: Rural Work Routes	$45,000	Gary Ludwig, 507-237-3500 gludwig@trailblazertransit.com
	Vine Faith In Action: People to Jobs	$45,000	Pam Determan, 507-387-1666 pamdeterman@vinevolunteers.com

*****Award may be spent over multiple federal fiscal years.

X. New Freedom Recipients

Metro Area	System and Project	Total Federal Award*	Contact
	City of St. Paul: Accessible Pedestrian Signals	$160,000	Brian Vitek, 651-487-6610 brian.vitek@ci.stpaul.mn.us
	Scott/Carver County: SmartLink Transit	$310,000	Alan Herrman, 952-496-8277 aherrman@co.scott.mn.us
	CommonBond Communities: ADA Accessible Door-to-Door Service: Maple Plain, Mound and Excelsior	$173,453	Kelly Matter, 651-290-6243 kelly.matter@commonbond.org
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	Tri-Valley Bus: Travel Training	$104,000	Cindy Pic, 218-281-0700 cpic@tvoc.org
	Vine Faith in Action: Mobility Management/Ride Coordination	$79,000	Pam Determan, 507-387-1666 pamdeterman@vinevolunteers.com
	St. Cloud Metro Bus: Travel Training	$80,000	Dave Tripp, 320-529-4482 dtripp@stcloudmtc.com
	City of Moorhead: Mobility Management Project	$21,600	Lori Van Beek, 701-476-6686 lvanbeek@matbus.com
	City of Moorhead: Accessible Pedestrian Signal	$200,284	Lori Van Beek, 701-476-6686 lvanbeek@matbus.com
	Tri-CAP Transit Connection: Mobility Management/Ride Coordination	$165,000	Linda Elfstrand, 320-257-4445 linda.elfstrand@tricap.org

*****Award may be spent over multiple federal fiscal years.

Operating Statistics

Minnesota Public Transit Systems – 2011 Ridership and Revenue Hours Summary

	Total Riders	Total Revenue Hours
Greater Minnesota	**11,495,358**	**1,076,044**
Urbanized	7,500,943	336,261
Elderly and disabled	224,484	88,340
Small urban	1,026,128	96,774
Rural	2,743,803	554,668
Twin Cities Metropolitan Area	**93,915,055**	**3,462,131**
Metro Transit – regular route bus	69,023,716	1,930,128
Metro Transit – Light rail transit	10,400,864	145,322
Metro Transit – Commuter rail	703,427	16,350
Metro Mobility	1,579,714	759,907
Metropolitan Council contracted services – regular route bus	2,928,301	180,357
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Transit Link	329,857	117,011
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Metro Vanpool	189,825	26,456
Suburban transit providers	5,138,973	237,145
Other transit services/providers	3,620,378	49,455

Greater Minnesota Transit Ridership

	Ridership 2010	Ridership 2011	% Change	2011 % of GM Ridership
Elderly and Disabled (ADA Complementary Paratransit)				
Duluth Transit Authority STRIDE	25,590	25,285	-1%	0.2%
East Grand Forks Transit Dial-A-Ride	4,538	3,954	-13%	0.0%
Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit Paratransit	19,174	20,233	6%	0.2%
Rochester Dial-A-Ride	40,717	40,471	-1%	0.4%
St. Cloud Metro Bus Dial-A-Ride	132,509	134,541	2%	1.2%
Total - Elderly and Disabled	**222,528**	**224,484**	**1%**	**2.0%**
Rural				
Arrowhead Transit	623,811	561,577	-10%	4.9%
Austin-Mower County Area Transit	78,748	82,247	4%	0.7%
Becker County Transit	33,674	37,436	11%	0.3%
Brainerd & Crow Wing Public Transit	83,160	84,200	1%	0.7%
Brown County Heartland Express	64,098	58,790	-8%	0.5%
Chisago-Isanti County Heartland Express	62,576	62,653	0%	0.5%
Community Transit of Western Community Action	128,708	124,689	-3%	1.1%
Cottonwood County Transit	19,163	19,165	0%	0.2%
Dawson Heartland Express	24,824	24,575	-1%	0.2%
FAR North Public Transit	26,294	28,517	8%	0.2%
Faribault County Prairie Express	10,735	10,939	2%	0.1%
Fosston Transit	17,294	17,116	-1%	0.1%
Grant County Alpha Transit	14,002	--	--	--
Hubbard County Heartland Express	25,062	28,776	15%	0.3%
Kandiyohi Area Transit	109,482	109,384	0%	1.0%
Lincoln County Heartland Express	11,846	11,336	-4%	0.1%
Mahnomen County Heartland Express	10,624	11,803	11%	0.1%
Martin County Express	62,400	61,577	-1%	0.5%
Meeker County Public Transit	60,772	65,211	7%	0.6%
Murray County Heartland Express	9,292	9,166	-1%	0.1%
Paul Bunyan Transit	96,270	99,313	3%	0.9%
Pine River Ride With Us Bus	7,191	8,202	14%	0.1%
Pipestone County Transit	36,037	34,847	-3%	0.3%
Prairie Five Rides	78,281	78,602	0%	0.7%
Prairieland Transit	39,558	32,897	-17%	0.3%
Rainbow Rider Transit	143,746	161,891	13%	1.4%
Red Lake Transit	9,542	9,879	4%	0.1%
Renville County Heartland Express	48,339	47,316	-2%	0.4%
RiverRider Public Transit System	74,235	71,225	-4%	0.6%
Rock County Heartland Express	24,289	25,126	3%	0.2%
SEMCAC Transportation	42,551	45,023	6%	0.4%
Steele County Area Transit	45,717	44,682	-2%	0.4%
Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit	125,212	158,875	27%	1.4%
Timber Trails Public Transit (previously Mille Lacs)	27,295	33,199	22%	0.3%
Trailblazer Transit	140,261	137,065	-2%	1.2%
Transit Alternatives	125,112	132,497	6%	1.2%
Tri-CAP Transit Connection	79,763	74,597	-6%	0.6%
Tri-Valley Heartland Express Bus	69,626	69,447	0%	0.6%

Greater Minnesota Transit Ridership Continued

	Ridership 2010	Ridership 2011	% Change	2011 % of GM Ridership
Wadena County Friendly Rider Transit	44,024	48,949	11%	0.4%
Watonwan Take Me There	19,227	21,014	9%	0.2%
Total - Rural	**2,752,841**	**2,743,803**	**0%**	**23.9%**
Small Urban				
Albert Lea Transit	41,185	41,695	1%	0.4%
Benson Heartland Express	44,510	45,238	2%	0.4%
Faribault Flyer	16,695	16,166	-3%	0.1%
Granite Falls Heartland Express	22,684	22,954	1%	0.2%
Hibbing Area Transit	53,947	55,052	2%	0.5%
Le Sueur Heartland Express	26,538	26,285	-1%	0.2%
Mankato – Greater Mankato Transit System	354,445	363,401	3%	3.2%
Montevideo Heartland Express	25,492	27,447	8%	0.2%
Morris Transit	58,866	63,019	7%	0.5%
Northfield Transit	35,072	27,948	-20%	0.2%
St. Peter Transit	68,800	73,119	6%	0.6%
Stewartville Heartland Express	11,007	12,083	10%	0.1%
Winona Transit Service	238,370	251,721	6%	2.2%
Total - Small Urban	**997,611**	**1,026,128**	**3%**	**8.9%**
Urbanized				
Duluth Transit Authority - Regular Route	3,023,352	3,081,791	2%	26.8%
East Grand Forks Transit - Regular Route	24,973	28,789	15%	0.3%
La Crescent Apple Express	22,127	25,996	17%	0.2%
Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit – Fixed Route	358,646	432,703	21%	3.8%
Rochester Public Transit – Regular Route	1,520,526	1,645,272	8%	14.3%
St. Cloud Metro Bus Fixed Route	2,192,736	2,286,392	4%	19.9%
Total - Urbanized	**7,142,360**	**7,500,943**	**5%**	**65.3%**
Total All Groups	**11,115,340**	**11,495,358**	**3%**	**100.0%**

Greater Minnesota Transit Revenue Hours

	Hours 2010	Hours 2011	% Change	2011 % of GM Hours
Elderly and Disabled (ADA Complementary Paratransit)				
Duluth Transit Authority STRIDE	15,765	15,946	1%	1.5%
East Grand Forks Transit Dial-A-Ride	4,817	4,808	0%	0.4%
Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit Paratransit	9,356	9,773	4%	0.9%
Rochester Dial-A-Ride	12,385	13,368	8%	1.2%
St. Cloud Metro Bus Dial-A-Ride	43,527	44,445	2%	4.1%
Total - Elderly and Disabled	**85,850**	**88,340**	**3%**	**8.2%**
Rural				
Arrowhead Transit	93,403	84,895	-9%	7.9%
Austin-Mower County Area Transit	15,907	15,879	0%	1.5%
Becker County Transit	6,862	6,978	2%	0.6%
Brainerd & Crow Wing Public Transit	17,091	17,456	2%	1.6%
Brown County Heartland Express	10,752	10,797	0%	1.0%
Chisago-Isanti County Heartland Express	20,076	20,994	5%	2.0%
Community Transit of Western Community Action	26,166	24,856	-5%	2.3%
Cottonwood County Transit	3,090	3,097	0%	0.3%
Dawson Heartland Express	2,157	2,245	4%	0.2%
FAR North Public Transit	9,101	7,112	-22%	0.7%
Faribault County Prairie Express	4,478	4,868	9%	0.5%
Fosston Transit	2,288	2,294	0%	0.2%
Grant County Alpha Transit	2,846	--	--	--
Hubbard County Heartland Express	5,229	6,758	29%	0.6%
Kandiyohi Area Transit	18,861	19,107	1%	1.8%
Lincoln County Heartland Express	3,879	3,691	-5%	0.3%
Mahnomen County Heartland Express	3,891	3,972	2%	0.4%
Martin County Express	15,288	15,836	4%	1.5%
Meeker County Public Transit	13,568	13,406	-1%	1.2%
Murray County Heartland Express	1,935	1,992	3%	0.2%
Paul Bunyan Transit	17,477	17,218	-1%	1.6%
Pine River Ride With Us Bus	1,834	1,829	0%	0.2%
Pipestone County Transit	8,390	9,325	11%	0.9%
Prairie Five Rides	15,526	16,233	5%	1.5%
Prairieland Transit	10,671	10,253	-4%	1.0%
Rainbow Rider Transit	45,963	51,386	12%	4.8%
Red Lake Transit	2,580	2,520	-2%	0.2%
Renville County Heartland Express	8,923	9,283	4%	0.9%
RiverRider Public Transit System	17,364	15,876	-9%	1.5%
Rock County Heartland Express	5,362	5,534	3%	0.5%
SEMCAC Transportation	8,974	9,239	3%	0.9%
Steele County Area Transit	9,121	9,148	0%	0.9%
Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit	20,533	20,542	0%	1.9%
Timber Trails Public Transit (previously Mille Lacs)	9,375	9,801	5%	0.9%
Trailblazer Transit	24,301	23,747	-2%	2.2%
Transit Alternatives	25,631	25,017	-2%	2.3%
Tri-CAP Transit Connection	20,192	18,509	-8%	1.7%
Tri-Valley Heartland Express Bus	18,625	16,187	-13%	1.5%

Greater Minnesota Transit Revenue Hours Continued

	Hours 2010	Hours 2011	% Change	2011 % of GM Hours
Wadena County Friendly Rider Transit	8,504	8,714	2%	0.8%
Watonwan Take Me There	8,093	8,077	0%	0.8%
Total - Rural	**564,304**	**554,668**	**-2%**	**51.5%**
Small Urban				
Albert Lea Transit	6,312	6,333	0%	0.6%
Benson Heartland Express	4,974	4,898	-2%	0.5%
Faribault Flyer	4,142	3,906	-6%	0.4%
Granite Falls Heartland Express	3,243	3,247	0%	0.3%
Hibbing Area Transit	9,078	9,696	7%	0.9%
Le Sueur Heartland Express	3,942	3,851	-2%	0.4%
Mankato – Greater Mankato Transit System	20,142	20,189	0%	1.9%
Montevideo Heartland Express	3,666	4,041	10%	0.4%
Morris Transit	10,608	10,825	2%	1.0%
Northfield Transit	6,171	6,274	2%	0.6%
St. Peter Transit	5,561	5,519	-1%	0.5%
Stewartville Heartland Express	2,367	2,374	0%	0.2%
Winona Transit Service	15,673	15,623	0%	1.5%
Total - Small Urban	**95,876**	**96,774**	**1%**	**9.0%**
Urbanized				
Duluth Transit Authority - Regular Route	134,849	137,912	2%	12.8%
East Grand Forks Transit - Regular Route	3,485	3,315	-5%	0.3%
La Crescent Apple Express	3,242	3,307	2%	0.3%
Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit – Fixed Route	21,297	22,121	4%	2.1%
Rochester Public Transit – Regular Route	75,071	76,332	2%	7.1%
St. Cloud Metro Bus Fixed Route	84,128	93,274	11%	8.7%
Total - Urbanized	**322,072**	**336,261**	**4%**	**31.2%**
Total All Groups	**1,068,102**	**1,076,044**	**1%**	**100.0%**

Greater Minnesota Transit Indicators

	2011 Cost per Ride	2011 Cost per Hour	2011 Passengers per Hour
Duluth Transit Authority STRIDE	$27.78	$44.04	1.6
East Grand Forks Transit Dial-A-Ride	$12.33	$10.14	0.8
Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit Paratransit	$17.02	$35.24	2.1
Rochester Dial-A-Ride	$16.42	$49.71	3.0
St. Cloud Metro Bus Dial-A-Ride	$22.14	$67.03	3.0
Rural			
Arrowhead Transit	$9.03	$59.73	6.6
Austin-Mower County Area Transit	$7.13	$36.94	5.2
Becker County Transit	$9.36	$50.22	5.4
Brainerd & Crow Wing Public Transit	$10.08	$48.63	4.8
Brown County Heartland Express	$10.23	$55.68	5.4
Chisago-Isanti County Heartland Express	$18.20	$54.31	3.0
Community Transit of Western Community Action	$12.34	$61.91	5.0
Cottonwood County Transit	$7.51	$46.45	6.2
Dawson Heartland Express	$2.80	$30.68	10.9
FAR North Public Transit	$10.00	$40.09	4.0
Faribault County Prairie Express	$17.83	$40.07	2.2
Fosston Transit	$4.29	$32.03	7.5
Hubbard County Heartland Express	$11.66	$49.63	4.3
Kandiyohi Area Transit	$9.88	$56.58	5.7
Lincoln County Heartland Express	$19.66	$60.39	3.1
Mahnomen County Heartland Express	$17.20	$51.11	3.0
Martin County Express	$8.96	$34.85	3.9
Meeker County Public Transit	$10.51	$51.13	4.9
Murray County Heartland Express	$12.69	$58.40	4.6
Paul Bunyan Transit	$8.60	$49.58	5.8
Pine River Ride With Us Bus	$9.39	$42.11	4.5
Pipestone County Transit	$11.09	$41.43	3.7
Prairie Five Rides	$11.36	$55.03	4.8
Prairieland Transit	$10.01	$32.12	3.2
Rainbow Rider Transit	$10.59	$33.37	3.2
Red Lake Transit	$23.72	$92.97	3.9
Renville County Heartland Express	$11.12	$56.70	5.1
RiverRider Public Transit System	$12.28	$55.09	4.5
Rock County Heartland Express	$12.89	$58.51	4.5
SEMCAC Transportation	$6.36	$30.97	4.9
Steele County Area Transit	$10.89	$53.17	4.9
Three Rivers Hiawathaland Transit	$6.74	$52.10	7.7
Timber Trails Public Transit (previously Mille Lacs)	$18.15	$61.49	3.4
Trailblazer Transit	$13.28	$76.62	5.8
Transit Alternatives	$7.76	$41.09	5.3
Tri-CAP Transit Connection	$13.44	$54.18	4.0
Tri-Valley Heartland Express Bus	$13.67	$58.64	4.3
Wadena County Friendly Rider Transit	$7.11	$39.93	5.6
Watonwan Take Me There	$14.38	$37.41	2.6

Greater Minnesota Transit Indicators Continued

	2011 Cost per Ride	2011 Cost per Hour	2011 Passengers per Hour
Small Urban			
Albert Lea Transit	$5.99	$39.44	6.6
Benson Heartland Express	$3.81	$35.20	9.2
Faribault Flyer	$11.36	$47.00	4.1
Granite Falls Heartland Express	$5.21	$36.84	7.1
Hibbing Area Transit	$5.05	$28.65	5.7
Le Sueur Heartland Express	$8.27	$56.42	6.8
Mankato – Greater Mankato Transit System	$4.14	$74.50	18.0
Montevideo Heartland Express	$5.98	$40.59	6.8
Morris Transit	$6.14	$35.76	5.8
Northfield Transit	$11.18	$49.81	4.5
St. Peter Transit	$4.07	$53.94	13.2
Stewartville Heartland Express	$5.17	$26.30	5.1
Winona Transit Service	$2.39	$38.47	16.1
Urbanized			
Duluth Transit Authority - Regular Route	$3.81	$85.08	22.3
East Grand Forks Transit - Regular Route	$8.78	$76.24	8.7
La Crescent Apple Express	$10.08	$79.25	7.9
Moorhead Metropolitan Area Transit – Fixed Route	$3.41	$66.73	19.6
Rochester Public Transit – Regular Route	$3.13	$67.48	21.6
St. Cloud Metro Bus Fixed Route	$2.65	$64.84	24.5

Twin Cities Metro Area Transit Ridership

	Ridership 2010	Ridership 2011	% Change	2011 % of TC Ridership
Metropolitan Council Transit Systems				
Metro Transit – regular route bus	66,040,533	69,023,716	5%	73.5%
Metro Transit – light rail transit	10,455,860	10,400,864	-1%	11.1%
Metro Transit – commuter rail	710,426	703,427	-1%	0.7%
Metro Mobility	1,410,369	1,579,714	12%	1.7%
Metropolitan Council contracted services – regular route bus	2,915,286	2,928,301	0%	3.1%
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Transit Link	286,294	329,857	15%	0.4%
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Metro Vanpool	182,457	189,825	4%	0.2%
Total - Metropolitan Council Transit Systems	**82,001,225**	**85,155,704**	**4%**	**90.7%**
Suburban Transit Providers				
Laker Lines	50,392	87,213	73%	0.1%
Maple Grove Transit	752,608	801,442	6%	0.9%
Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	2,386,117	2,588,183	8%	2.8%
Plymouth Metrolink	464,142	515,522	11%	0.5%
Shakopee Transit	116,599	116,595	0%	0.1%
SouthWest Transit	1,002,382	1,030,018	3%	1.1%
Total - Suburban Transit Providers	**4,772,240**	**5,138,973**	**8%**	**5.5%**
Other Transit Services/Providers				
DARTS*	58,019	--	--	--
Hastings TRAC*	10,432	--	--	--
Hopkins Hop-A-Ride*	827	--	--	--
H.S.I. Transporter*	14,673	--	--	--
Lake Area Bus*	4,985	--	--	--
Northeast Suburban Transit	3,722	--	--	--
Park People Mover*	242	--	--	--
PRISM Express*	4,556	--	--	--
Ramsey Star Express	55,487	54,097	-3%	0.1%
Rush Line	4,397	32,410	637%	0.0%
University of Minnesota Transit	4,044,192	3,533,871	-13%	3.8%
Total - Other Transit Services/Providers	**4,199,478**	**3,620,378**	**-14%**	**3.9%**
Total All Groups	**90,972,943**	**93,915,055**	**3%**	**100.0%**

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Twin Cities Metro Area Transit Revenue Hours

	Hours 2010	Hours 2011	% Change	2011 % of TC Hours
Metropolitan Council Transit Systems				
Metro Transit – regular route bus	1,921,898	1,930,128	0.4%	55.7%
Metro Transit – light rail transit	140,005	145,322	3.8%	4.2%
Metro Transit – commuter rail	16,341	16,350	0.1%	0.5%
Metro Mobility	688,039	759,907	10.4%	21.9%
Metropolitan Council contracted services – regular route bus	184,666	180,357	-2.3%	5.2%
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Transit Link	118,949	117,011	-1.6%	3.4%
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Vanpool	26,826	26,456	-1.4%	0.8%
Total - Metropolitan Council Transit Systems	**3,096,724**	**3,175,531**	**2.5%**	**91.7%**
Suburban Transit Providers				
Laker Lines	2,872	5,072	76.6%	0.1%
Maple Grove Transit	30,042	31,094	3.5%	0.9%
Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	121,882	122,268	0.3%	3.5%
Plymouth Metrolink	34,050	34,377	1.0%	1.0%
Shakopee Transit	8,289	7,771	-6.2%	0.2%
SouthWest Transit	33,810	36,563	8.1%	1.1%
Total - Suburban Transit Providers	**230,944**	**237,145**	**2.7%**	**6.8%**
Other Transit Services/Providers				
DARTS*	25,609	--	--	--
Hastings TRAC*	2,486	--	--	--
Hopkins Hop-A-Ride*	392	--	--	--
H.S.I. Transporter*	5,559	--	--	--
Lake Area Bus*	1,682	--	--	--
Northeast Suburban Transit*	1,189	--	--	--
Park People Mover*	167	--	--	--
PRISM Express*	1,636	--	--	--
Ramsey Star Express	1,349	1,344	-0.4%	0.0%
Rush Line	446	2,198	392.8%	0.1%
University of Minnesota Transit	44,318	45,913	3.6%	1.3%
Total - Other Services/Providers	**84,833**	**49,455**	**-41.7%**	**1.4%**
Total All Groups	**3,412,501**	**3,462,131**	**1.5%**	**100.0%**

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Twin Cities Metro Area Transit Indicators

	2011 Cost per Ride	2011 Cost per Hour	2011 Passengers per Hour
Metropolitan Council Transit Systems			
Metro Transit – regular route bus	$3.48	$124.52	35.8
Metro Transit – light rail transit	$2.48	$177.23	71.6
Metro Transit – commuter rail	$22.23	$956.38	43.0
Metro Mobility	$26.27	$54.62	2.1
Metropolitan Council contracted services – regular route bus	$4.41	$71.64	16.2
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Transit Link	$20.54	$57.89	2.8
Metropolitan Council contracted services – Metro Vanpool	$7.80	$55.99	7.2
Suburban Transit Providers			
Laker Lines	$10.90	$187.45	17.2
Maple Grove Transit	$5.15	$132.80	25.8
Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	$6.71	$142.06	21.2
Plymouth Metrolink	$7.51	$112.60	15.0
Shakopee Transit	$10.31	$154.71	15.0
SouthWest Transit	$7.19	$202.44	28.2
Other Transit Services/Providers			
Ramsey Star Express	$6.98	$280.88	40.3
Rush Line	$12.52	$184.59	14.7
University of Minnesota Transit	$1.52	$117.08	77.0

Glossary

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This glossary contains technical terms that may appear in the 2012 Minnesota Transit Report. Many of these terms have multiple definitions; therefore, these terms are defined as they are used in the context of this report.

Accessible vehicle – A public transportation vehicle that does not restrict access, is usable and provides allocated space and/or priority seating for individuals who use wheelchairs.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) – The Americans with Disabilities Act passed in July 1991 gave direction to local transit agencies to ensure full access to transportation for persons with disabilities.

Base fare – The price charged to one adult for one transit ride-excludes transfer charges, zone charges, express service charges, peak period surcharges and reduced fares.

Bus roadeo – An annual competition in which transit bus drivers demonstrate skills, such as emergency stops and maneuvers.

Capital cost – The cost of equipment and facilities required to support transportation systems: vehicles, radios, shelters, etc.

Commuter service – Express transit service generally connecting residential areas and activity centers via a high speed, non-stop connection.

Coordination – A cooperative arrangement among transportation providers and/or purchasers, which is aimed at realizing increased benefits through the shared management and/or operation of one or more transportation-related function.

Cost effectiveness – The ratio of the cost of a transit system to the level of service provided. Various measures may be used to determine cost effectiveness, as an example, cost per passenger trip.

Dedicated funding source – A funding source, which by law, is available for use only to support a specific purpose and cannot be diverted to other uses; e.g., the federal gasoline tax can only be used for highway investments and, since 1983, for transit capital projects.

Demand response/dial-a-ride service – A transportation service characterized by flexible routing and scheduling of relatively small vehicles to provide door-to-door or point-to-point transportation at the user's demand.

Fare – The payment for a ride on a passenger vehicle, whether cash, tokens, transfer or pass.

Fare box – A device that accepts coins, bills, tickets and tokens given by passengers as payment for rides.

Fare box recovery ratio – Total fare revenue divided by the total operating cost.

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) – An operating administration within the United States Department of Transportation that administers federal programs, providing financial assistance to public transit.

Fixed route – Transportation service operated over a set route or network of routes on a regular time schedule.

Flexible fixed route – See route deviation.

Funding classification – Greater Minnesota transit services are categorized according to the following classifications in Minn. Stat. 174.22:

- **Rural** – A county or multi-county transit system serving a geographic area primarily with populations under 2,500 or a stand-alone transit system within a city of less than 2,500 people.
- **Small Urban** – A stand-alone transit system within a city of between 2,500 and 50,000 people.
- **Urbananized** – A transit system within a metropolitan area with populations greater than 50,000.
- **ADA complementary paratransit** – Demand Response service for persons with disabilities in geographic areas where fixed route services are provided; provision of this services is required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Described in Minnesota State Statutes as "Elderly and Disabled."

Intercity bus service – Transportation between metropolitan areas and rural areas, traveling over long distances, via an over-the-road coach with luggage space.

Light rail transit (LRT) – A metropolitan electric railway system characterized by its ability to operate single cars or short trains along exclusive right-of-way at ground level, on aerial structures or in subways.

MAP-21– Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, signed into law in July 2012, establishes surface transportation funding programs for federal fiscal years 2013 and 2014.

Motor vehicle sales tax (MVST) – A source of revenue for Minnesota public transit. The percentages of this revenue source designated for metropolitan area and Greater Minnesota transit are defined in Minn. Stat. 297B.09.

Operating expenditures – The recurring costs of providing transit service; e.g., wages, salaries, fuel, oil, taxes, maintenance, depreciation, insurance, marketing, etc.

Operating deficit – Total operating expenditures minus total operating revenue.

Operating revenue – The total revenue earned by a transit agency through its transit operations. It includes passenger fares, advertising and other revenue.

Total operating cost – The total of all operating costs incurred during the transit system calendar year, excluding expenses associated with capital grants.

Paratransit – A flexible form of public transportation service that is not provided over a fixed-route; it is a demand responsive service.

Park and ride facility – A common location; e.g., parking lot, for individuals to park their personal vehicle and board a high occupancy travel mode such as a commuter train or bus.

Pass – A means of transit payment, usually a pre-paid card that is displayed to a bus driver in lieu of cash for the fare.

Peak period – The hours when traffic or passenger demand is the greatest.

Public transportation – Transportation service that is available to any person upon payment of the fare either directly, subsidized by public policy, or through some contractual arrangement, and which cannot

be reserved for the private or exclusive use of one individual or group. “Public” in this sense refers to the access to the service, not to the ownership of the system that provides the service.

Ridership – The total of all revenue passengers, transfer passengers on second/successive rides and free ride passengers.

Total passengers – See ridership.

Passenger trip – A measure for one person making a one-way trip from origin to destination. One round trip equals two passenger trips.

Ridesharing – A form of transportation, other than public transit, in which more than one person shares the use of a vehicle, such as a van or car, to make a trip. Variations include carpooling or vanpooling.

Revenue hours – The number of transit vehicle hours when passengers are being transported. Calculated by taking the total time when a vehicle is available to the general public and there is an expectation of carrying passengers. Excludes deadhead hours, but includes recovery/layover time.

Route deviation – Transportation service operating on a standard route along a public right of way, from which it may deviate from time to time, in response to a demand for its service or to take a passenger to a destination, after which it returns to its standard route.

Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that provides funds for training, technical assistance, research and other support services for rural transit providers.

Section 5303 (Metropolitan Planning Program) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that provides financial assistance to metropolitan planning organizations that are responsible for conducting planning activities and technical assistance for public transit services. The program is expected to support the basic transportation planning process underway in urbanized areas, including capital planning, financial planning and operations-related planning essential to the provision of transit services.

Section 5304 (State Transportation and Planning Program) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that provides financial assistance to the states for purposes of planning, technical studies and assistance, demonstrations, management training and cooperative research activities.

Section 5307 (Urbanized Area Formula Program) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that authorizes grants to public transit systems in urban areas with populations of more than 50,000 for both capital and operating projects. Based on population and density figures, these funds are distributed directly to the transit agency from the FTA.

Section 5309 (Capital Program) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that authorizes discretionary capital assistance for major capital needs, such as fleet replacement and construction of transit facilities.

Section 5310 (Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Capital Program) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that provides grant funds for the purchase of accessible vehicles and related support equipment for private non-profit organizations to serve elderly and/or disabled people, public bodies that coordinate services for elderly and disabled, or any public body that certifies to the state that non-profits in the area are not readily available to carry out the services.

Section 5311 (Non-urbanized Area Formula Program) – The section of the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended, that authorizes grants to public transit systems in non-urbanized areas (fewer than

50,000 population). The funds initially go to the governor of each state. In Minnesota, MnDOT administers these funds.

Section 5316 (Job Access and Reverse Commute - JARC) – A formula-based federally-funded program established under SAFETEA-LU that is administered by the FTA. The goal of the JARC grant program is to improve access to transportation services to employment and employment-related activities for welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals to transport residents of urbanized areas and non-urbanized areas to suburban employment opportunities.

Section 5317 (New Freedom - NF) – A formula-based federally-funded program established under SAFETEA-LU that is administered by the FTA. The goal of the New Freedom grant program is to provide additional tools to overcome existing barriers facing Americans with disabilities seeking integration into the workforce and full participation in society.

Service area – The geographic area that coincides with a transit system's legal operating limits; e.g., city limits, county boundary, etc.

Service hours – See revenue hours.

Service span – The duration of time that service is made available or operated during the course of the service day; e.g., 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Subscription service – Transportation service in which routes and schedules are prearranged to meet the needs of riders who sign up for the service in advance.

TIGGER – The TIGGER (Transportation Investments for Greenhouse Gas and Energy Reduction) discretionary grant program was included in ARRA to assist in reducing the energy consumption or greenhouse gas emissions of public transportation systems.

Transit – Transportation by bus, rail or other conveyance, either publicly or privately owned, that provides general or special service on a regular and continuing basis. The term includes fixed-route and paratransit services as well as ridesharing. Also known as mass transportation or mass transit.

Transit dependent – A description for someone who does not have immediate access to a private vehicle, or because of age or health reasons cannot drive and must rely on others for transportation.

Vanpool – See ridesharing.

Vehicle Classification – MnDOT classifies transit vehicles according to the following categories:

- **Class 300** – A small-size light-duty transit bus approximately 16-22 feet long with a raised roof/single or dual rear wheels (up to 12,500 gross vehicle weight rating).
- **Class 400** – A medium-size light-duty transit bus approximately 20-30 feet long with a raised roof/dual rear wheels (12,300-16,000 gross vehicle weight rating).
- **Class 500** – A medium-size medium-duty transit bus approximately 25-40 feet long (17,000-24,000 gross vehicle weight rating).
- **Class 600** – A medium-size heavy-duty transit bus approximately 25-40 feet long (21,000-32,000 gross vehicle weight rating).
- **Class 700** – A large-size heavy-duty transit bus/over-the-road bus approximately 30 feet and longer with a rear-mounted engine.