

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CITIZENS AND SPECIALIZED TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TIME: 11:00 a.m.

DATE: Monday, April 20, 2026

LOCATION: Riverside County Transportation Commission
March Field Conference Room A
4080 Lemon Street, 3rd Floor
Riverside, CA 92502-2208

VIDEO CONFERENCE SITES:

Palo Verde Valley Transit
415 N. Main Street
Conference Room A
Blythe, CA 92225

SunLine Transit Agency
32505 Harry Oliver Trail
Board Room
Thousand Palms, CA 92276

☞ COMMITTEE MEMBERS ☞

John Krick, **Chair**, T-Now Member, Northwest Riverside County
Gloria J. Sanchez, **Vice Chair**, Menifee Senior Advisory, Southwest Riverside County
Deborah Franklin, **Second Vice Chair**, Advisory Council on Aging, San Geronio Pass
Lisa Castilone, GRID Alternatives, Western and Southwest Riverside County
George Colangeli, Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency, Palo Verde Valley
Mary Jo Ramirez, Workforce Development Member, Southwest Riverside County
Ivet Woolridge, Independent Living Partnership, Riverside County
Michael Harrington, Desert Hot Springs Democratic Club, Coachella Valley
Jennifer Nguyen, Riverside Transit Agency, Western Riverside County
Edith Hernandez, SunLine Transit Agency, Coachella Valley

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AGENDA*

**Actions may be taken on any item listed on the agenda*

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *Under the Brown Act, the Committee should not take action on or discuss matters raised during public comment portion of the agenda which are not listed on the agenda. Committee members may refer such matters to staff for factual information or to be placed on the subsequent agenda for consideration. Each individual speaker is limited to speak three (3) continuous minutes or less.*

4. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS *(The Committee may add an item to the agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Committee. If there are less than 2/3 of the Committee members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote. Added items will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.)*

5. CONSENT CALENDAR - *All matters on the Consent Calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Committee member(s) requests separate action on specific item(s). Items pulled from the Consent Calendar will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.*

5A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 8, 2025

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6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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Overview

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- 1) Conduct an election of officers for 2026.

7. FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 DRAFT SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN UPDATES

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- 1) Receive and file draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2026/27 Short Range Transit Plan (S RTP) updates from the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Corona, and Riverside; Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency (PVVTA); Riverside Transit Agency (RTA); SunLine Transit Agency (SunLine); and the Commission’s Rail and Vanpool Programs.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER / STAFF REPORT

Overview

This item provides the opportunity for the Committee members, transit operators, and staff to report on attended and upcoming meetings/conferences and issues related to Committee activities.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The next Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2026.

AGENDA ITEM 5A

MINUTES

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CITIZENS AND SPECIALIZED TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

December 8, 2025

Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair John Krick at 11:01 a.m. in March Field Conference Room A at the County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Third Floor, Riverside, California 92501 and at the video conference sites: Conference Room A, Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency, 414 N. Main Street, Blythe, California 92225; and the Board Room, SunLine Transit Agency, 32505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms, California 92276.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Lisa Castilone
George Colangeli*
Deborah Franklin***
Michael Harrington**
John Krick
Mary Jo Ramirez
Ivet Woolridge
Jennifer Nguyen, Riverside Transit Agency
Edith Hernandez, Sunline Transit Agency**

*Joined the meeting at Palo Verde Valley Transit

**Joined the meeting at SunLine Transit Agency

***Joined the meeting after roll call

Members Absent

Gloria J Sanchez

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS

There were no additions or revisions to the agenda.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR - *All matters on the Consent Calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Committee Member requests separate action on specific item(s). Items pulled from the Consent Calendar will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.*

M/S/C (Colangeli/Hernandez) to approve the following Consent Calendar item(s):

5A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – AUGUST 11, 2025

5B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 20, 2025

5C. PROPOSED 2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

This item is for the Committee to:

- 1) Adopt the 2026 Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee (CSTAC) meeting schedule.

6. CSTAC TOPICS OF INTEREST

This item is for the Committee to discuss and provide staff direction on topics of interest for future agenda items.

Deborah Franklin requested items regarding the future of transit planning such as for the Olympics, senior programs, and updates on Metrolink and CV Rail.

Mary Jo Ramirez requested items regarding transit planning in regards to new home developments.

Lisa Castilone requested items regarding funding sources for right of way, financial impacts of toll roads, veteran services outreach and services, and driverless vehicles.

Michael Harrington requested items regarding microtransit, bike sharing, increase in shuttle frequency.

George Colangeli, PVVTA, requested items regarding the push towards zero emissions vehicles and the funding sources to offset agency upgrades.

Chair Krick added that he too would like to see items regarding transit needs for the Olympics, progress for seniors for transit, and Ebikes/Etrikes.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF REPORT

7A. Mr. Colangeli announced the Blythe Christmas bus service. It is a free weekend event for people to ride to go look at the holiday decorations around the city of Blythe.

- 7B. Jennifer Nguyen, RTA, announced:
- COA virtual public meetings;
 - Allocation station game;
 - New fact sheet; and
 - NYE free rides on RTA routes.

7C. Ms. Moe-Luna announced:

- The Metrolink holiday train is completely sold out this year; and
- thanked Committee members for their services.

7D. Mr. DeHate gave an update on the transit needs public hearing comments.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration by the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lorelle Moe-Luna". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lorelle Moe-Luna, Multimodal Services Director

AGENDA ITEM 6

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	April 20, 2026
TO:	Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee
FROM:	Lorelle Moe-Luna, Multimodal Services Director
SUBJECT:	Election of Officers

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Committee to:

- 1) Conduct an election of officers for 2026.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

According to Sections 5.2 and 5.3 of the CSTAC bylaws, nominees for the positions of Chair, First Vice Chair, and Second Vice Chair shall be submitted and voted on by the Committee during the first meeting of the calendar year. All nominees shall be members of the Committee. The term of all officers shall be for one (1) year or up to two (2) years, upon approval of the Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 7

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION	
DATE:	April 20, 2026
TO:	Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee
FROM:	Eric DeHate, Transit Manager
SUBJECT:	Fiscal Year 2026/27 Draft Short Range Transit Plan Updates

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Committee to:

- 1) Receive and file draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2026/27 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) updates from the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Corona, and Riverside; Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency (PVVTA); Riverside Transit Agency (RTA); SunLine Transit Agency (SunLine); and the Commission’s Rail and Vanpool Programs.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The SRTPs serve as the Commission’s primary justification for federal and state grants for transit operations and capital and provides a short-term vision of public transportation for the county including strategies that will help guide transportation decisions over the next three to five years. In Riverside County, there are seven public bus transit operators (cities of Banning, Beaumont, Corona, and Riverside; RTA; SunLine; and PVVTA), and the Commission’s Commuter Rail and Vanpool Programs – a total of eight transit operators.

Under state law, the Commission is tasked with the responsibility to identify, analyze, and recommend potential productivity improvements to ensure federal, state, and local funds are allocated to transit operators to provide needed transit services for county residents. An annual SRTP update is a mechanism to meet this obligation and coordinate transit services throughout the county. The core components of each agency’s SRTP includes the operating and capital plans and project justifications that are utilized as the basis for receiving transit funding. The SRTPs also document each operator’s system and route performance data, which provide the basis for the Commission’s oversight activities to ensure compliance with the Transportation Development Act, federal regulations, state law, and Commission-adopted policies and guidelines.

Each operator will provide an overview of the major projects and activities anticipated in their FY 2026/27 SRTP update. The purpose of the presentations (Attachments 1-8) is to seek feedback and input from the CSTAC for future improvements. Staff will bring the final FY 2026/27 SRTP requests for funding approval to the Commission in June 2026.

Attachments:

1. Riverside Transit Agency Presentation
2. City of Banning Presentation
3. City of Beaumont Presentation
4. City of Corona Presentation
5. City of Riverside Presentation
6. Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency Presentation
7. RCTC Rail Program Presentation
8. RCTC VanClub Presentation

FY27 Operating and Capital Budget*

FY27 – FY29 Short-Range Transit Plan

CSTAC Meeting

April 20, 2026

** Budget numbers presented here are estimates and not final.*

Fixed Route Bus Service

32 Local fixed routes

3 Commuter routes

- Riverside County
- Orange County
- San Bernardino County

1 GoMicro Transit Zone

1 Autonomous Vehicle Pilot Project



Bus Fleet

121 Heavy-duty buses

63 Medium-duty buses

88 Dial a Ride buses/vans

8 GoMicro buses

280



FY26 Major Accomplishments

- Implementation of Fare Promotions
- DAR Software and WiFi
- Hydrogen Fueling Stations
- Community Bus Operators
- Kindness Counts
- Our Vision Forward
- Riverside National Cemetery



**OUR VISION
FORWARD**



It's Cool to be Kind

The Five P's – How We Ride Together



PEOPLE



PROPERTY



PROCESS



PROHIBITED



PENALTY



FY27 Service Profile

Fixed Route Revenue Service Hours

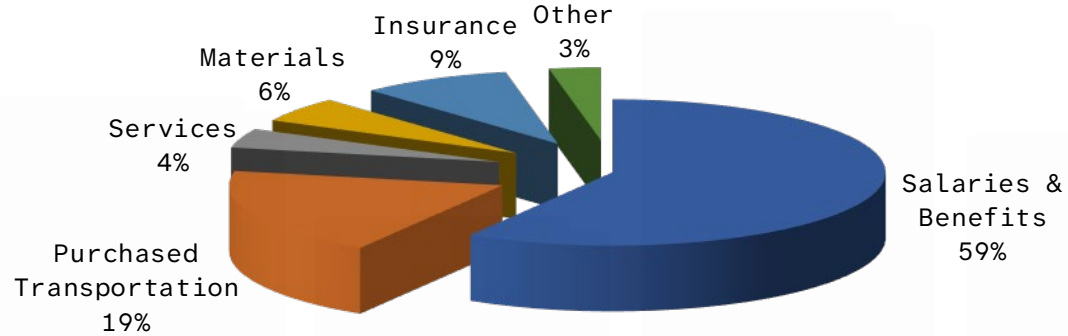
- Absorption of 15 contracted routes
- Discontinuation of several unproductive trips to create a stronger, more efficient system
- Additional trips on Route 1 to increase span of service
- Continue no service on 7 major holidays
- Implement the Ohmio Pilot Project in the City of Riverside
- If approved by the Board, begin implementing Our Vision Forward recommendations

DAR Service and Passenger Demand

- Continuation of DAR Plus ($\frac{3}{4}$ mile to $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles)
- Anticipate higher ridership demand than FY26



FY27 Operating Budget



	FY26 Budget	FY27 Budget	Change-\$	Change-%	Comments / Drivers
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 55,634,618	\$ 70,680,577	\$ 15,045,959	27%	adding 150+ new employees
Contracted Fixed Route	\$ 15,529,641	\$ -	\$ (15,529,641)	-100%	elimination of contract
Contracted DAR/Micro	\$ 22,244,590	\$ 23,443,826	\$ 1,199,236	5%	growth in service and rates
Services	\$ 4,859,870	\$ 5,132,850	\$ 272,980	6%	increased security
Materials & Supplies	\$ 5,741,284	\$ 6,723,102	\$ 981,818	17%	increased fuel and parts
Insurance	\$ 8,250,472	\$ 10,771,949	\$ 2,521,477	31%	additional risk with increased in-house svc
Other Expenses	\$ 3,260,305	\$ 3,689,282	\$ 428,977	13%	increased software, other
Total Operating Budget	\$ 115,520,780	\$ 120,441,586	\$ 4,920,806	4%	

FY27 Capital Budget



FY26 Capital Budget=\$45,293,346

FY27 Capital Budget = \$22,577,830

- CNG and hydrogen buses
- Facilities & Equipment Improvements
- Maintenance programs

Thank you

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Director of Planning
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City of Banning
California

SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN ***2026/2027 – 2028/2029***





- Service since 1973
- Expanded to two routes in 1985
- Operates 2 Fixed Routes (interlined Routes 5 & 6 last year) and Dial-a-Ride System
 - Covers approx. 35 square miles
 - Commercial and Residential areas of Banning and Cabazon
 - Morongo Casino
 - Beaumont
- Fleet: 7 Fixed Route Buses (2010-2023) and 4 DAR (2010-2024)
 - CNG Station
- Field Supervisor, 8 F-T Drivers, 2 P-T Drivers and an Executive Secretary (Dispatch)

• Growth in Ridership

- 2018 = 126,793
- 2019 = 116,748
- 2020 = 112,960
- 2021 = 87,624
- 2022 = 70,721
- 2023 = 90,349
- 2024 = 110,686
- 2025 = 131,262
- 2026 = 130,000 Projected



PROPOSED OPERATIONS BUDGET FY 2027

LTF	SGR	STA	FARE BOX	LCTOP	Other Local Revenue
\$2,749,700	\$70,000		\$22,747	\$126,828	\$163,725
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE			TOTAL FARE REVENUES		
\$2,819,700			\$313,300		
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET			FARE RECOVERY		
\$3,133,000			10.0%		

10.0% FAREBOX RECOVERY = 10.0%

CAPITAL PROJECTS

FY 2026/27

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Transit Office Technology Upgrades

Gas Detection System for Transit Bus Bays

Hydraulic Lift with Tethered Fall Protection

Purchase and install EV Charging Infrastructure

Conduct Comprehensive Operating Analysis

Install new stops to expand destinations

FY 2027 OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Ridership is above pre-covid levels
- Implement Driver Technology
- CNG Facility Project Completion
- Citywide Fleet Electrification Project
- WRCOG and CRP Grant Implementation





City of Banning
California

THANK YOU !





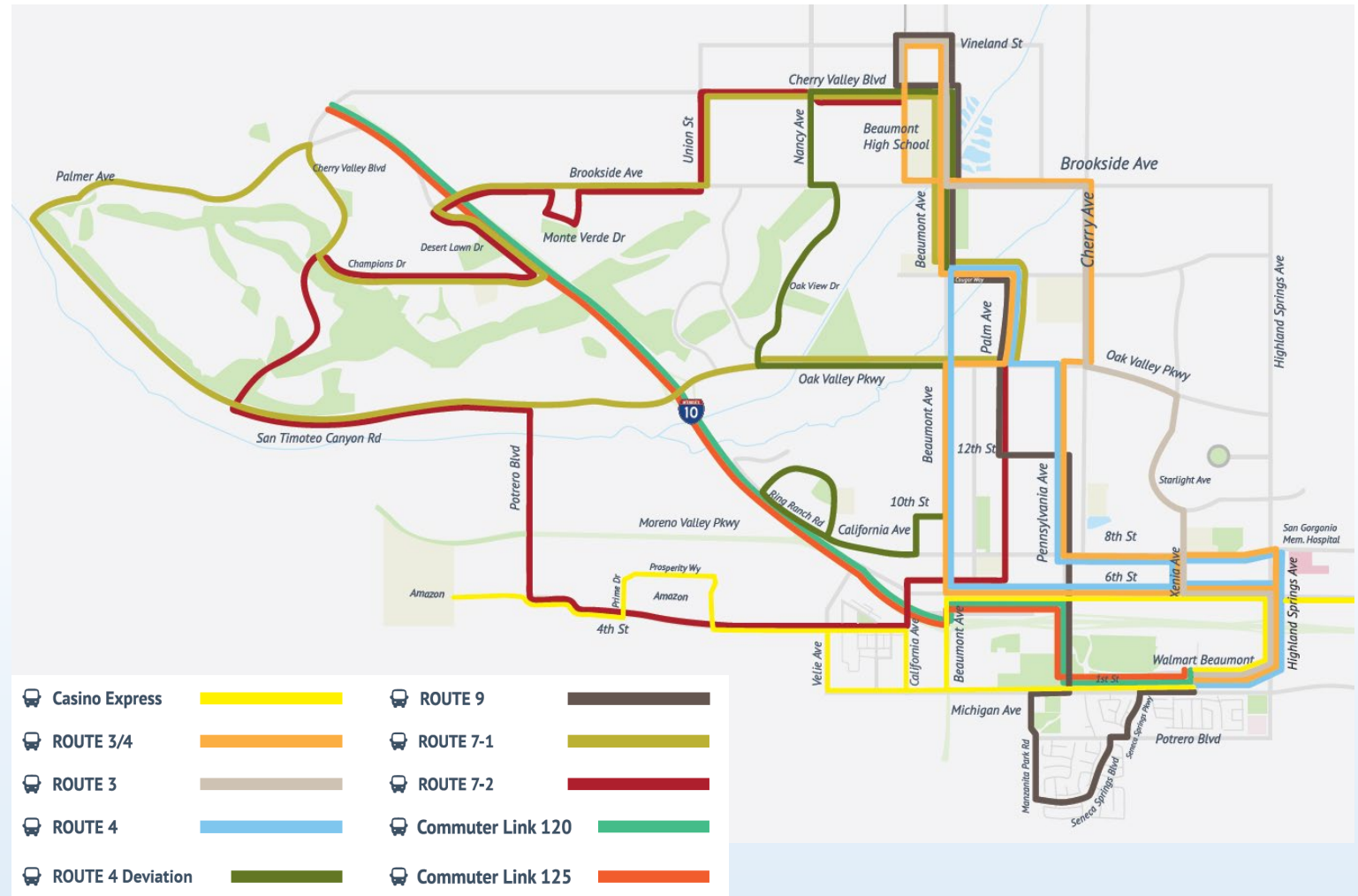
SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN

FY 2026/27 - 2028/29

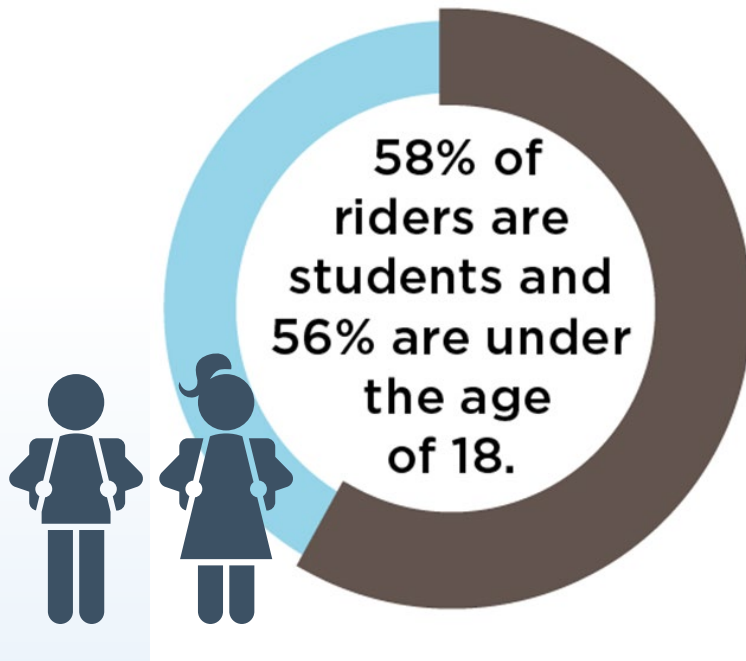


Beaumont Transit Services

- 3 Weekday Local Routes
- 3 Weekday Peak Service Routes
- 2 Commuter Link Express Routes
- 2 Routes Operating on Saturday
- ADA Paratransit Service



Who Rides Beaumont Transit



59% of riders say they could not make their trip without Beaumont Transit.

49% of riders have a household income of less than \$35,000.



Fare Promotions

- 3-year discounted fare promotion ending June 2026
- Proposed FY2027 promotion
 - Local Monthly Pass: \$10
 - Commuter Link Monthly Pass: \$20
 - Dial-A-Ride 10-Ride Punch Card: \$15
- 13 Promotional Free Ride Days for All

Budget

FY2025/2026 Budget	FY2026/2027 Budget	Change %
\$3,626,365	\$3,816,744	7.8%

Major Projects Underway

- Comprehensive Operational Analysis
 - Microtransit Feasibility Assessment
 - Bus Stop Improvement Plan
- Stay Involved
 - Visit **BeaumontOnTheMove.com**

Beaumont
on the Move



Major Projects Underway

- Beaumont Transit Yard



Looking Ahead: FY2027 Projects

- Passenger Announcement System Retrofit
- On-Board Cellular Routers



Thank you
Questions or Comments?



Short Range Transit Plan

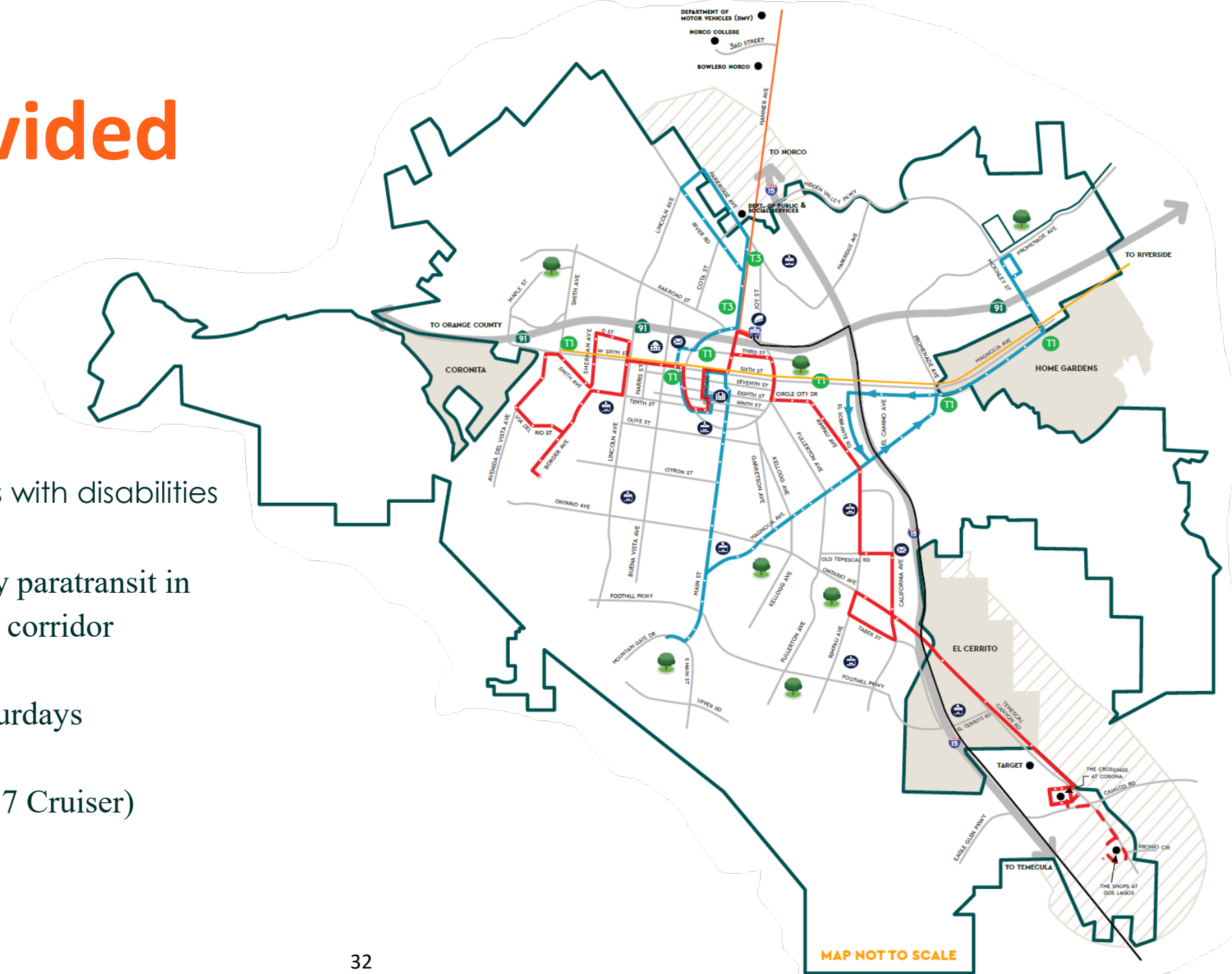
FY 26/27 through FY 28/29

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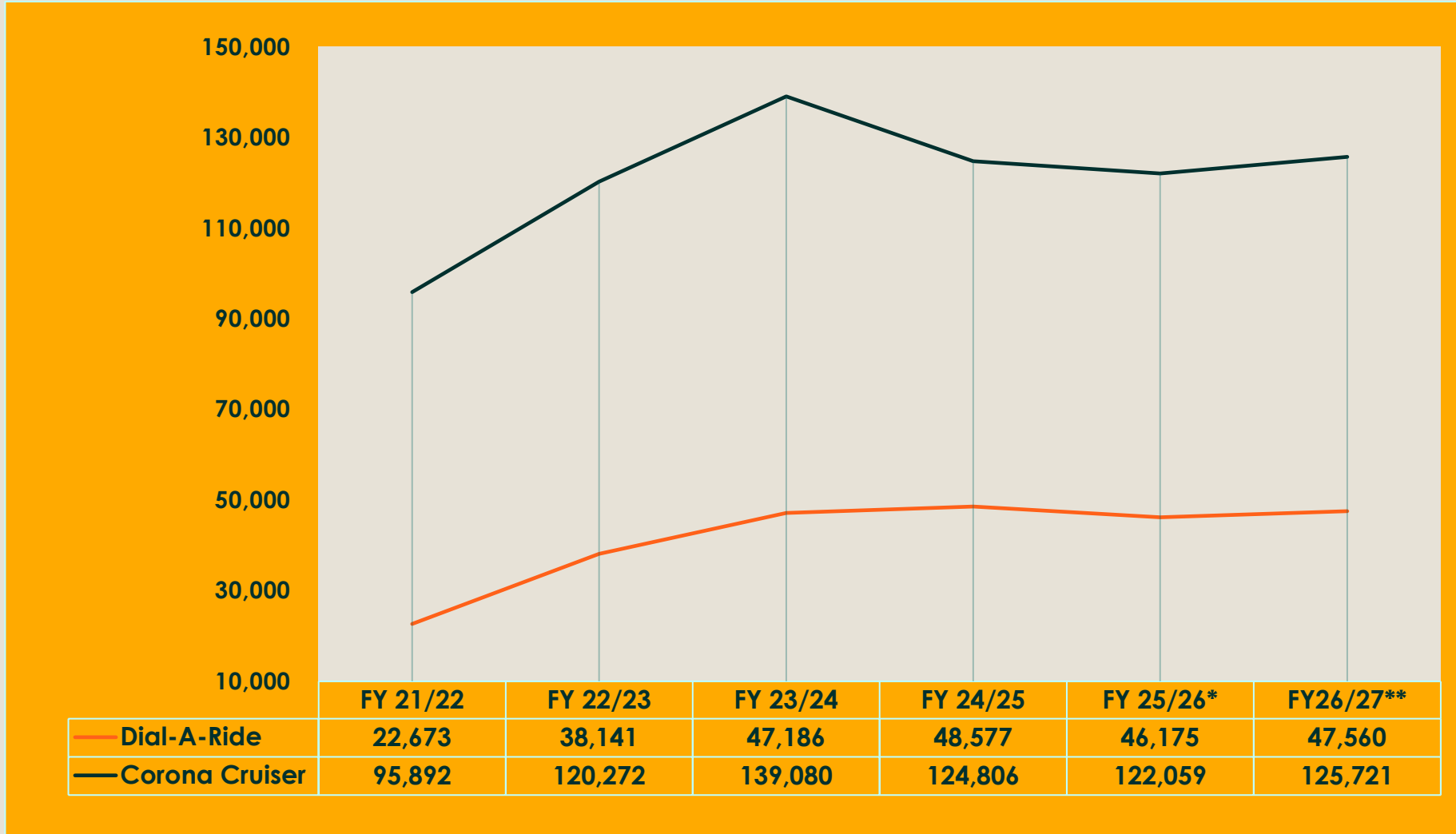
Transit Program Manager

Services Provided

- ▷ Corona Cruiser, fixed route
- ▷ Blue Line & Red Line
- ▷ Citywide Dial-A-Ride (DAR)
- ▷ For all seniors and persons with disabilities
- ▷ DAR provides complementary paratransit in compliance with ADA ¾ mile corridor
- ▷ Operate on weekdays and Saturdays
- ▷ 20 vehicles in fleet (13 DAR; 7 Cruiser)



Ridership Data



*FY 2025/26 year-end estimate is based on data collected from July 2025 to March 2026.

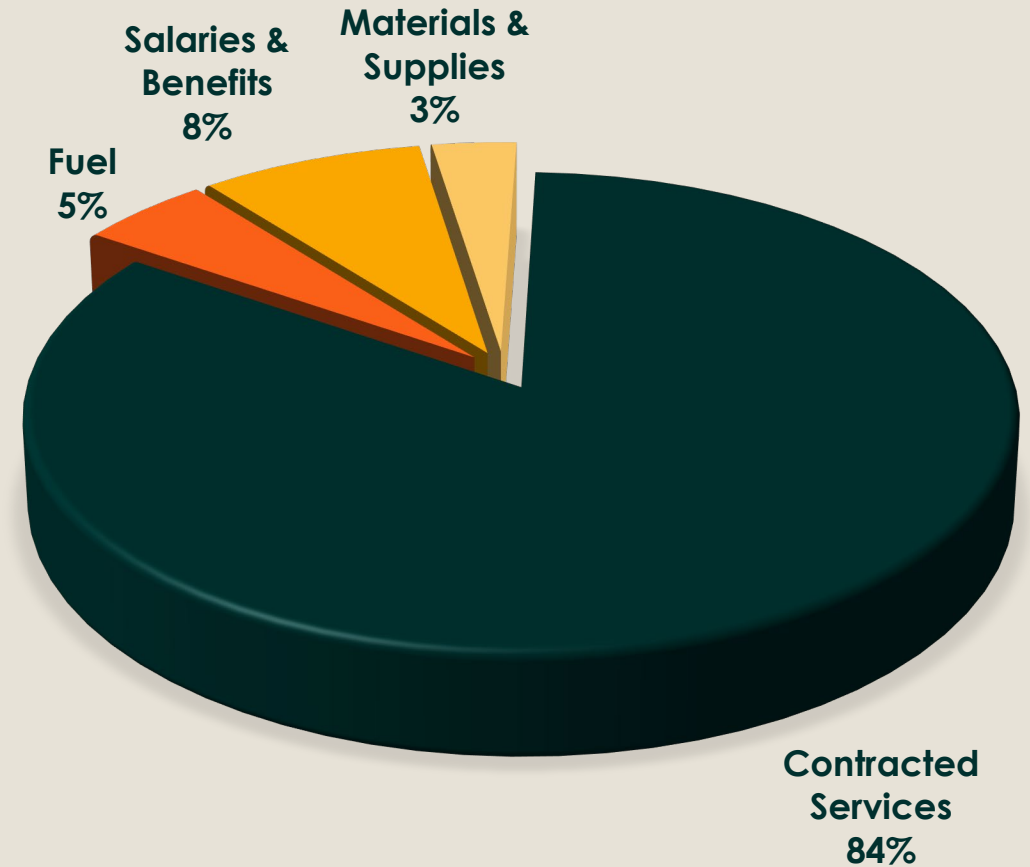
** FY 2026/27 projections are based on a 3% percent increase over estimated FY 2025/26 year-end totals.

Operating Budget

	Current FY25 Budget	FY26 Proposed	Change	% Change
Salaries & Benefits*	\$ 342,650	\$ 352,790	\$ 10,140	3.0%
Materials, Marketing and Utilities	\$ 107,754	\$ 142,771	\$ 25,277	23.5%
Fuel	\$ 200,000	\$ 210,000	\$ 10,000	5.0%
Contracted Services	\$ 3,294,922	\$ 3,625,205	\$ 340,023	10.3%
Total	\$ 3,945,326	\$ 4,330,766	\$ 385,440	9.8%

Budget Breakdown

- Contract Services: 10.3% increase
 - Increase in year-to-year costs for transit operations
 - 6-month cost for microtransit pilot program
- Salaries & Benefits: 3% increase
 - Increase in wages effective 12/28/24
- Fuel
 - Increase in fuel to account for microtransit
- Materials & Supplies: 23.5% increase
 - Increase in promotional and marketing cost



Operational Highlights and Challenges

Current Fiscal Year

- ▷ Consultant on board to assist with multiple projects
 - Procurement of replacement Dial-A-Buses
 - Route planning and bus stop improvements
- ▷ Continue the fare subsidy program (through 6/30/26)
- ▷ Regulatory Requirements
 - Title VI Program
 - Triennial DBE Goal

CHALLENGES

- ▷ Reduction in ridership due to construction activities in the city
- ▷ Shortage in staff – competing priorities

Fiscal Year 26/27

- ▷ Consulting Services
 - **Transit Service Planning & Implementation**
 - Route planning including Microtransit
 - Redesign Public Information Materials
 - **Capital Improvement Projects**
 - Bus Stop Improvements
 - Intelligent Transportation System
 - Deployment of ZEB Technologies
- ▷ Fare subsidy program using LTF and AB2766 funds
- ▷ Solicitation for bus shelter advertising to generate revenues
- ▷ Continue marketing efforts to re-engage residents

CHALLENGES

- ▷ Shortage in staff – competing priorities
- ▷ Solicitation for new transit contract



Thank You!



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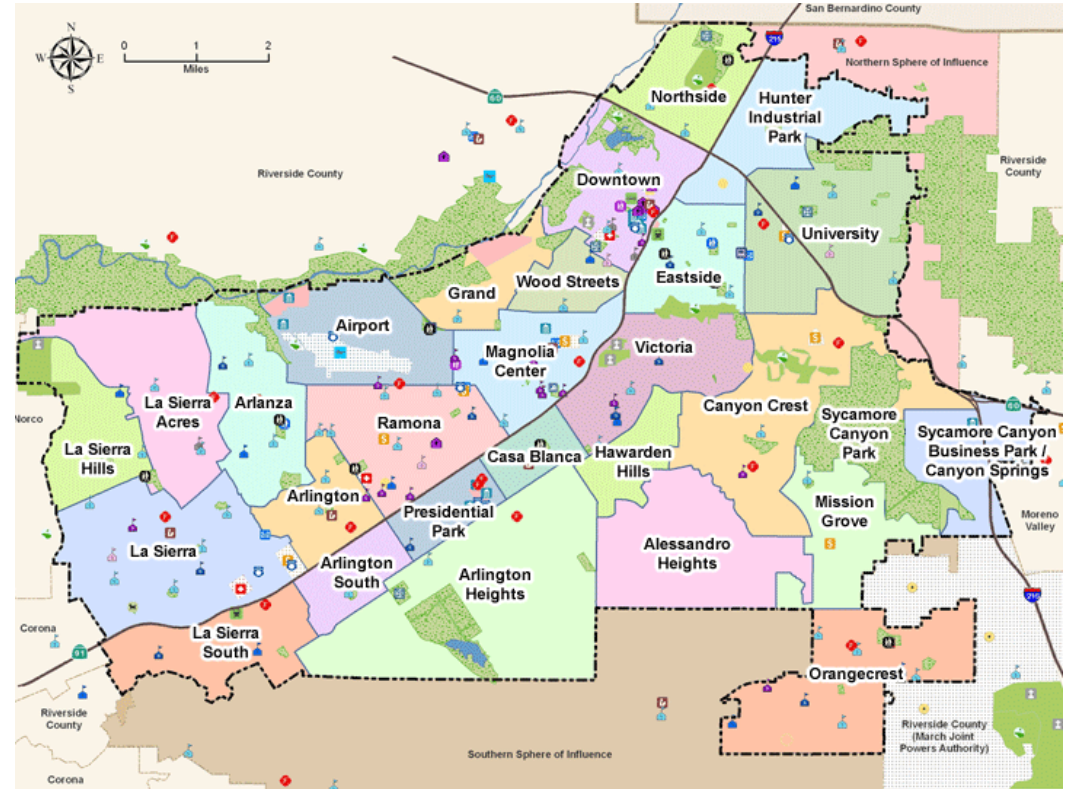
Special Transportation Division Short Range Transit Plan Overview

Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department
**Citizens and Specialized Transit
Advisory Council**
April 20, 2026



Who We Serve

The City of Riverside's Special Transportation Division was established in June 1975 and currently operates through an agreement with the Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) to provide a Paratransit (origin-to destination) Service within Riverside city limits.



Our customers are:
Disabled & Seniors over the age of 60

- 32 – 16 Passenger Cutaway (Ford E-450)
- 2 – 8 Passenger NorCal Vans
- 1 – Admin Van (Dodge)
- 1 – Admin Car (Toyota)



FY 26/27 Operating Budget



Budget Item	FY 25/26 Budget	FY 26/27 Plan	Variance Percentage
Salaries & Benefits	\$3,761,054	\$4,172,401	10.94%
Materials & Supplies	\$36,296	\$26,100	-28.09%
Fuel	\$220,321	\$226,931	3.00%
Maintenance & Operations	\$1,256,469	\$634,759	-49.48%
Contract Services	\$125,000	\$177,776	42.22%
All Other Costs	\$1,079,882	\$1,457,109	34.93%
Total	\$6,479,022	\$6,695,076	3.33%



50+ years of service...

To ensure that senior within the City limits continue to not have transportation as a barrier to important events and to promote the ease and benefits of our service, Riverside Connect continues to offer free ride days throughout 25/26 and is committed to continue this promotion into Fiscal Year 26/27:

Promotional Free Ride Days:

- California Clean Air Day Wed., Oct. 1, 2025
- Rideshare Week Oct. 6 - 10, 2025
- Election Day Tues., Nov. 4, 2025
- Veteran's Day Tues., Nov. 11, 2025
- New Year's Eve Thurs., Dec. 31, 2025
- Transit Equity Day Wed., Feb. 4, 2026
- Earth Day Wed., Apr. 22, 2026
- Statewide Primary Election Tues., Jun. 2, 2026
- Dump the Pump Day Thurs., Jun. 18, 2026
- Car Free Day Tues., Sept. 22, 2026
- **Will continue Free Ride Days into FY26/27**



50+ years of service...



Riverside Connect continues to promote our service to the Riverside Senior and Disabled community by attending events and holding informational sessions at the various senior and community centers within the City of Riverside:

7/14/2025	10:00 AM	Riverside Transit Agency ADA Meeting	Website	Dales Senior Center
7/16/2025	6:00 PM	Concerts in the Park- Community Outreach	Website	Fairmount Park
7/17/2025	5:30 PM	Commission on Disabilities	Public Notice, Website	City Hall-- Council Chambers
7/23/2025	6:00 PM	Concerts in the Park- Community Outreach	Website	Fairmount Park
8/7/2025	9:00 AM	Mayor's Senior Forum- Updates and Questions	Website	La Sierra Senior Center
8/20/2025	8:30 AM	Senior Expo	Flyer, Website	Villegas Park Community Center
9/15/2025	6:00 PM	Commission on Aging	Public Notice, Website	City Hall-- Council Chambers
9/19/2025	N/A	Customer Satisfaction Survey	USPS Mail	Client's home adress
10/14/2025	10:00 AM	Mayor's Senior Forum-Updates and Questions	Website	Arlanza Community Center
10/15/2025	10:00 AM	50 and Better Health Fair	Flyer, Website	Janet Goeske Center
10/17/2025	11:00 AM	Presentation of Services	Flyer	Blindness Support Services
10/20/2025	6:30 PM	Park & Recreation Commission - CIP Update	Public Notice, Website	City Hall-- Council Chambers
11/5/2025	10:00 AM	Medicare Expo	Flyer, Website	Janet Goeske Center
11/18/2025	11:00 AM	Community Outreach	Flyer	Victoria Springs Apartments
11/18/2025	3:00 PM	Community Outreach	Flyer	Victoria Springs Apartments
12/10/2025	9:00 AM	Mayor's Senior Forum-Updates and Questions	Website	Janet Goeske Center
12/11/2025	10:30 AM	Mobile App Tutorial	Flyer	Janet Goeske Center
1/14/2026	11:00 AM	Presentation of Services	Flyer	Dales Senior Center
1/14/2026	4:00 PM	Presentation of Services	Website	Commission on Aging
3/12/2026	11:00 AM	Presentation of Services	Flyer	La Sierra Senior Center
3/19/2026	11:00 AM	Presentation of Services	Flyer	Villegas Park Community Center



- **Ridership**
 - Ridership is slow to increasing
 - Average Ridership per day still 50% of pre-COVID
 - Closure of IRC & Other Workshops
 - Marketing and promotion of services
- **Zero Emissions Infrastructure**
 - City has been slow to upgrade necessary electrical upgrades
- **Inflation**
 - Fleet maintenance costs
 - Salaries and Benefits

**Average rides per day range
from 200-300 rides.**
(400-500 rides pre-COVID)



- CNG Bus Replacement
 - 12 buses delivered
 - 10 buses ordered
- 2 – Electric Cutaways
- RFP for COA
- Radio Communications Replacement
- AED's in all buses
- Procurement of a mobile electric charging platform

- Comprehensive Operational Analysis
- 3 - CNG Bus Replacement
- Bus Yard Security and Safety Upgrades
- Zero Emissions Infrastructure Project

Questions/ Comments ??



Thank You





RIDE **PV**
BUS STOP

Blue Route
1
City of Blythe
Circulator

Gold Route
2
Palo Verde College
Circulator

Red Route
3

Green Route
4

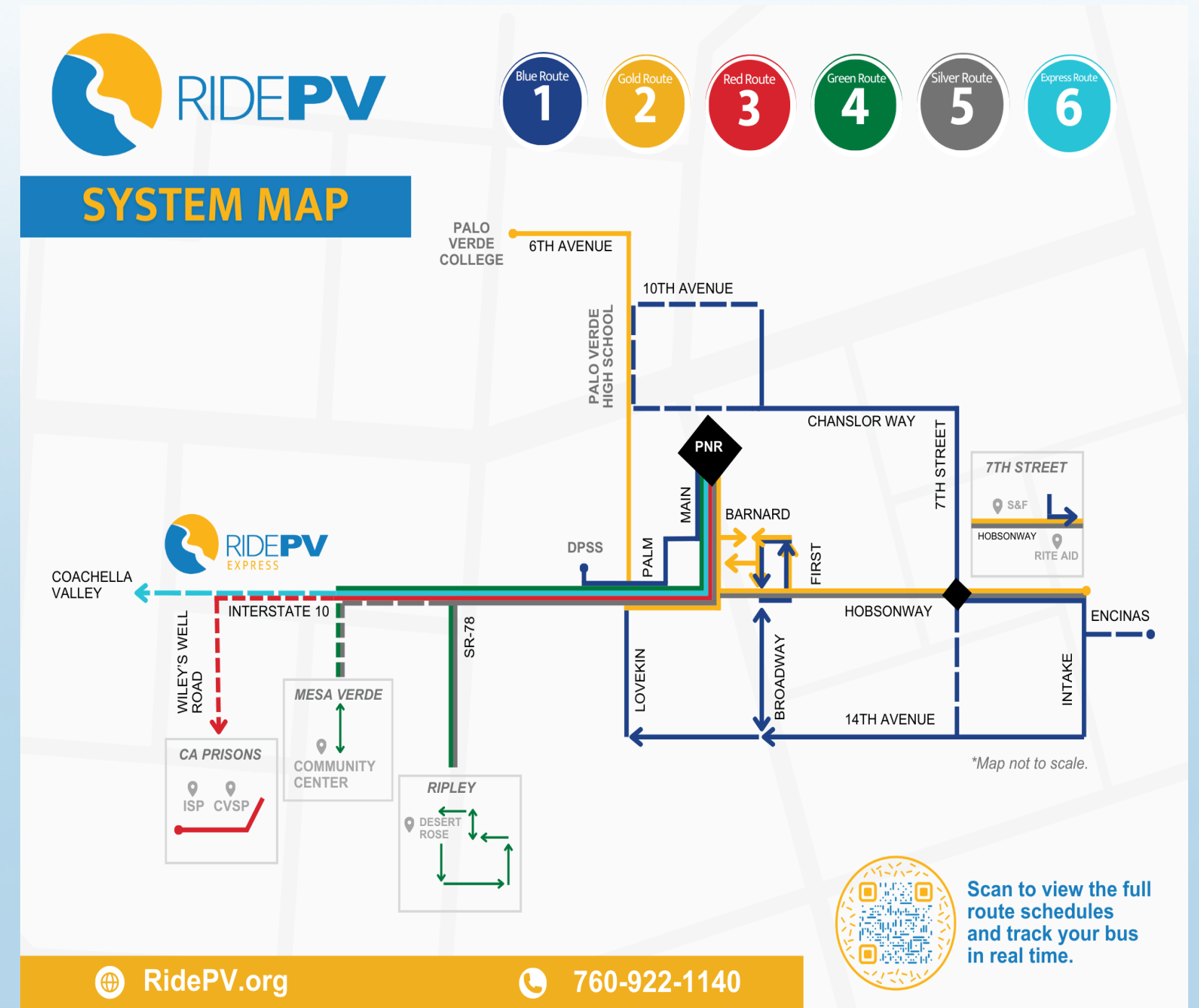
SHORT RANGE
TRANSIT
PLAN

FY 2026 - 27



Background

RidePV (formerly PVVTA) serves the City of Blythe and the unincorporated areas of Riverside County including Mesa Verde and Ripley with six deviated fixed routes and a TRIP Reimbursement Program.



Quick Facts



6 BUSES IN
REVENUE SERVICE
WITH 3 BUSES AS
SPARE (ALL ADA
COMPLIANT)



MOST VEHICLES
POSSESS A 20/2
PASSENGER
CAPACITY



CURRENT
AVERAGE LIFE OF
THE REVENUE
VEHICLE FLEET IS
5 YEARS OLD

Budget & Plan Changes

Description	FY 2026	FY 2027	Net	Percent Variance
Operating Budget	2,107,342	2,116,551	143,054	.004%
Capital Budget*	826,250	3,395,675	2,569,425	411%

** Large capital budget variance due to \$2.966 million programmed for the Replacement of Buses ZE in FY2027*

Anticipated Projects

- Bulk Tires, Filters, etc. \$11,075
- Bus Stop Amenities \$10,000
- CNG Replacement Dispenser \$20,000
- Procurement for Ops. Contract \$120,000
- Replacement of Buses (Zero Emission) \$2,966,440
- Replacement of Van \$60,000
- Replacement of Support Vehicles ZE \$70,000
- SGR Equipment and Facility Upgrades \$76,160
- Utility Trailer \$10,000
- ZE & Maintenance Facility \$52,000

Total Project Outlay: \$3,395,675

Service Highlights

- Continuous improvements for reliability and quality of service
- Continued community engagement: events, Community Outreach
- New routes - extended BWE (5-days a week) & college
- Review TRIP Reimbursement Program partnerships agreements



Looking Ahead

- Finishing our Farebox Recovery Study
- Reviewing current/future transit routes, new routes or adjustments
- Continuance of alternative fuel fleet vehicles to adhere to State Regulations
- Continue the steps to construct a new hydrogen fueling facility on-site



Thank YOU!





RAIL SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN FY 2026/27 UPDATE

Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee

April 20, 2026

Sandra Salgado, Management Analyst

Multimodal Services Department

RCTC Rail Overview

- Metrolink Service
- Riverside County Metrolink Station
- FY26 & FY27 Highlights
- RCTC Rail Capital Project Status
- Coachella Valley – San Gorgonio Passenger Rail (CV Rail) Update

METROLINK



SRTP FY 26/27

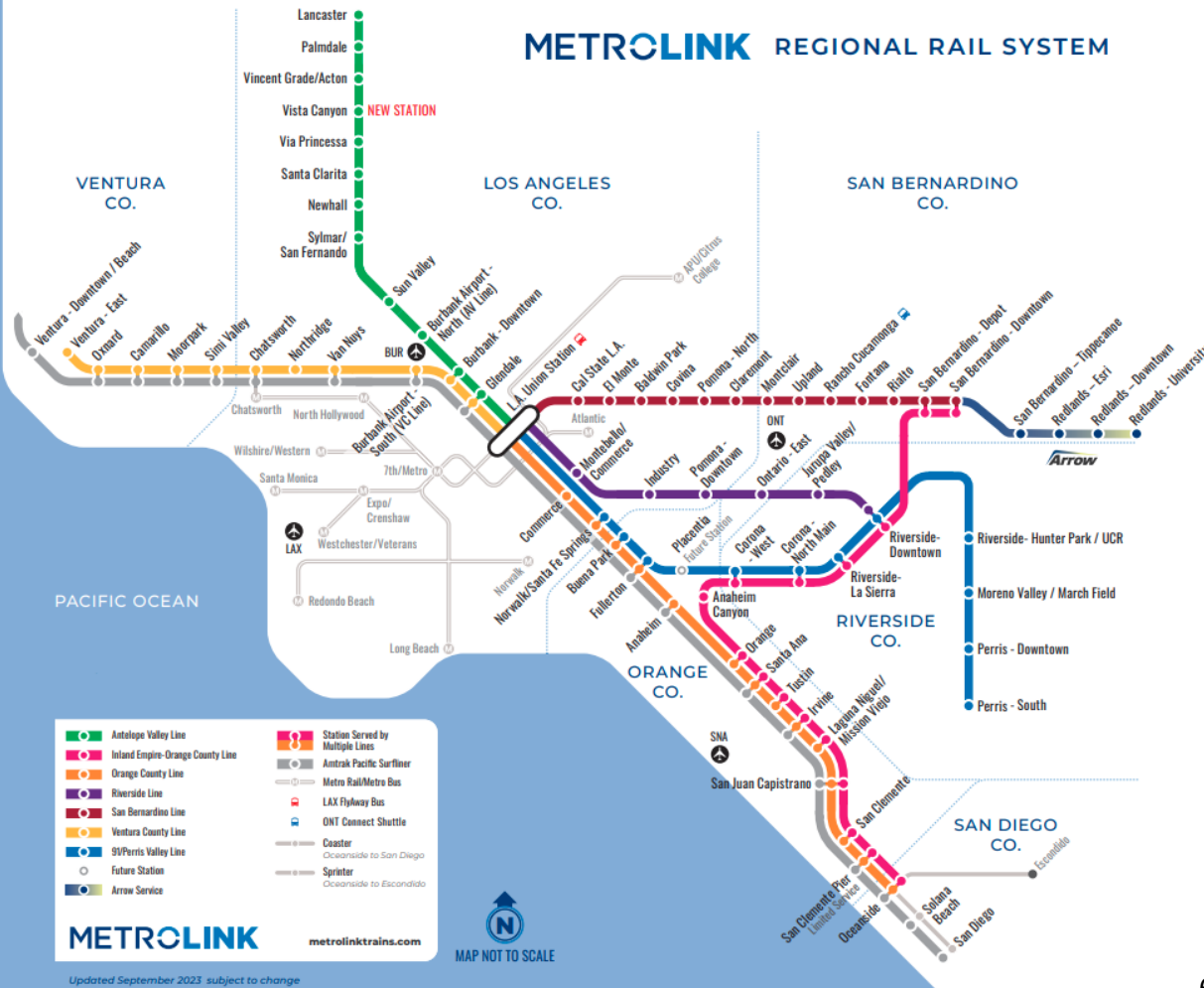
FY25/26

- \$57M for Operating
 - Metrolink Operating \$33.2M
 - Program Management \$7.5M
 - Property Management \$2.8M
 - Station Operating \$10.5M
- \$165M for Capital
 - Rail Station Capital \$1.1M
 - Metrolink Capital \$12.8M
 - South Perris Station/Layover \$12M
 - Mead Valley Station \$49.3M
 - CV Rail \$31.3 M

FY26/27

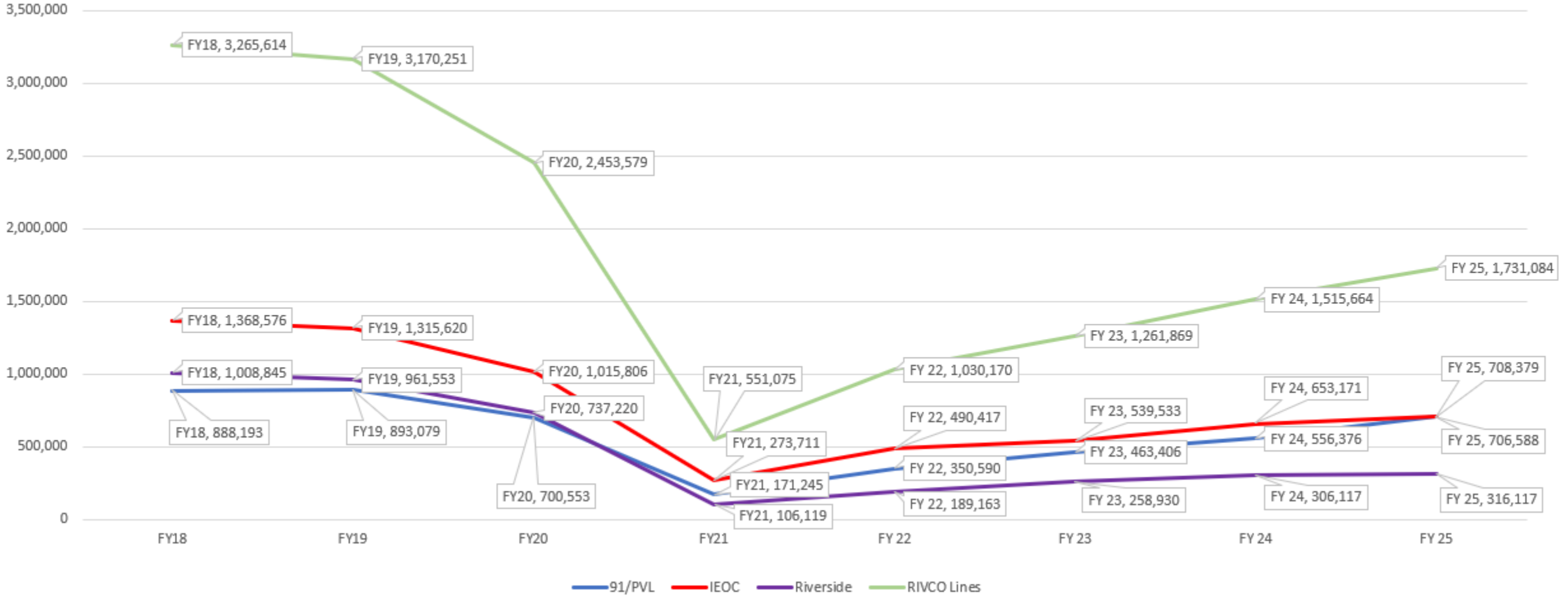
- \$54M for Operating
 - Metrolink Operating \$33.2M
 - Program Management- Capital \$5.5M
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 - Station Operating \$11.8M
- \$28M for Capital
 - Rail Station Capital \$1.1M
 - Metrolink Capital \$12.8M
 - CV Rail \$6.5M
 - PVL Double Track \$3.6M
 - Riverside DT Ped Project \$1.3M

Metrolink Service Overview



- Metrolink operates in the five-county JPA region
- Riverside, IEOC, 91/Perris Valley Lines
 - 42 daily weekday trains
 - 8 weekend trains to Los Angeles and Oceanside
- 9 RCTC Owned Stations
- 91/Perris Valley Line opened June 2016

COVID-19 Ridership Recovery





ALL
ABOARD
THE
HOLIDAY
EXPRESS
TRAIN!



FY 25/26

Highlights/Goals

- Free Rail Pass
- Holiday Express Train
- Fare Restructure
- CV Rail – Contract Award for Environmental Study

FY 25/26 Community Outreach



- 4 Excursions
- 7 How to Ride/ Rail Safety Presentations
- 27 Community Events Attended

FY 26/27 Look Ahead

- Experience Metrolink Free Fare Program
- Fare Restructure – Pilot Continuation
- Begin Design phase of Mead Valley Station
- Begin Environmental Phase of CV Rail



Major Rail Capital Projects Status

Project Name	Status	Estimated Total Project Cost
Moreno Valley/March Field Station Upgrade Project	Construction completed summer 2025	\$35.0M
Moreno Valley to Downtown Perris 2nd Track Project	Design	\$80.8M
South Perris Station Expansion and 4th Layover Track Project	Construction	\$40.0M
Mead Valley Station	Design	\$50.5M
CV Rail Tier 2 Environmental Study	Station analysis and environmental studies	\$80.6M

CV Rail

- Proposed daily service between Coachella Valley and Los Angeles
- July 2022- Certification of the Final Tier 1 EIS/EIR
- January 2026 – Awarded Contract for Tier 2 Project Level Environmental Document, Station Studies, and 30 Percent Design
- Tier 2 to commence April or May 2026





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QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS



RCTC VANCLUB

Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee

Hanan Sawalha

Sr. Management Analyst - Commuter & Motorist Assistance

What is a Vanpool?

- Sponsored by a public agency
- 7 to 15 passenger vehicles
- Routes marketed to and open to the public
- ADA accessible



FTA recognizes
vanpool as
a transit mode



VanClub Provides \$600 per month

subsidy to help with lease costs from approved providers

Minimum Qualifications

- Minimum 5 participants to start
- Minimum 30+ miles commute per day
- Commute 12+ days per month
- Riverside County destination





Ford Transit



Ford Econoline



Honda Odyssey

Vanpool Lease includes:

- Vehicle
- Maintenance
- Insurance
- Roadside assistance



Toyota Sienna



Ford Explorer



Dodge Durango



Chevy Traverse

Why VanClub?

SAVE MONEY

More than \$1,200 in savings per month with VanClub subsidy
\$14K savings per year*



SAVE TIME

Access to carpool lanes

SAVE TIME & MONEY

Free or reduced tolls

COMMUTE GREEN

Reduced SOV emissions

DRIVE LESS. SMILE MORE.

Higher quality of life

* FY25 avg. monthly out of pocket costs for VanClub participant = \$309 monthly / \$3,708 annually

Avg. roundtrip = 106 miles or 26,500 miles annually x .70 IRS standard mileage rate = \$18,550 annually

Fiscal Year 2025/26 Highlights

- 57 vanpools (+20 over FY24)
- 5.0 riders per trip
- 52.5 miles per trip
- 20.7 days per month
- \$1,635 average monthly lease
(*\$200+ over FY24*)
- \$600 subsidy
- \$308.81 monthly “fare” per rider
(out of pocket costs with subsidy)

Fiscal Year 2026/27

- 94 vanpools by year end
- \$910K FY27 budget





9.9K tons
emissions reduced

655K trips reduced

26.3M VMT reduced



Program performance since program inception (through June 2023)

RCTC

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