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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski
U.S. Senate
522 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Murkowski,

On behalf of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), which represents a \$79 billion industry that directly employs 430,000 dedicated workers and supports millions of private-sector jobs, I look forward to working with you to ensure that Congress continues to provide critical infrastructure investments for public transportation in the 119th Congress.

Public transportation drives the American economy, creating millions of jobs and strengthening local communities. Every \$1 invested in public transportation generates \$5 in long-term economic returns. It benefits more than just the people who ride it. In cities and towns across America, miles from the nearest bus or rail stop, American workers build buses, trains, and technology that power our nation's mobility. In fact, **77 percent** of Federal public transportation investments flow directly to the private sector, and every \$1 billion invested creates or sustains **50,000 jobs**—family-wage jobs in manufacturing, technology, and services.

APTA, together with its more than 1,600 public- and private-sector member organizations, urges Congress to fully fund public transit and passenger rail in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies (THUD) Appropriations Act. Specifically, we urge you to provide \$21.9 billion for public transit and \$20.6 billion for passenger rail in FY 2025.

These critical investments will help public transit agencies address the more than \$100 billion state-of-good repair backlog, meet growing mobility demands in our communities, and drive innovation and new technologies.

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In both the THUD appropriations and surface transportation authorization bills, we stand ready to work with you to fully fund investments in public transit and passenger rail and streamline regulatory and administrative processes to successfully advance public transportation infrastructure projects.

To illustrate some of the many economic benefits of public transportation to your State and our nation, I enclose the following documents:

- An industry footprint, detailing the breadth and depth of public transportation services, manufacturers, and suppliers in your State;
- Rail and bus manufacturing suppliers across the United States; and
- An infographic outlining the importance of public transportation to the nation.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact me directly or Ward McCarragher, Vice President, Government Affairs and Advocacy, at wmccarragher@apta.com.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Paul P. Skoutelas
President and CEO

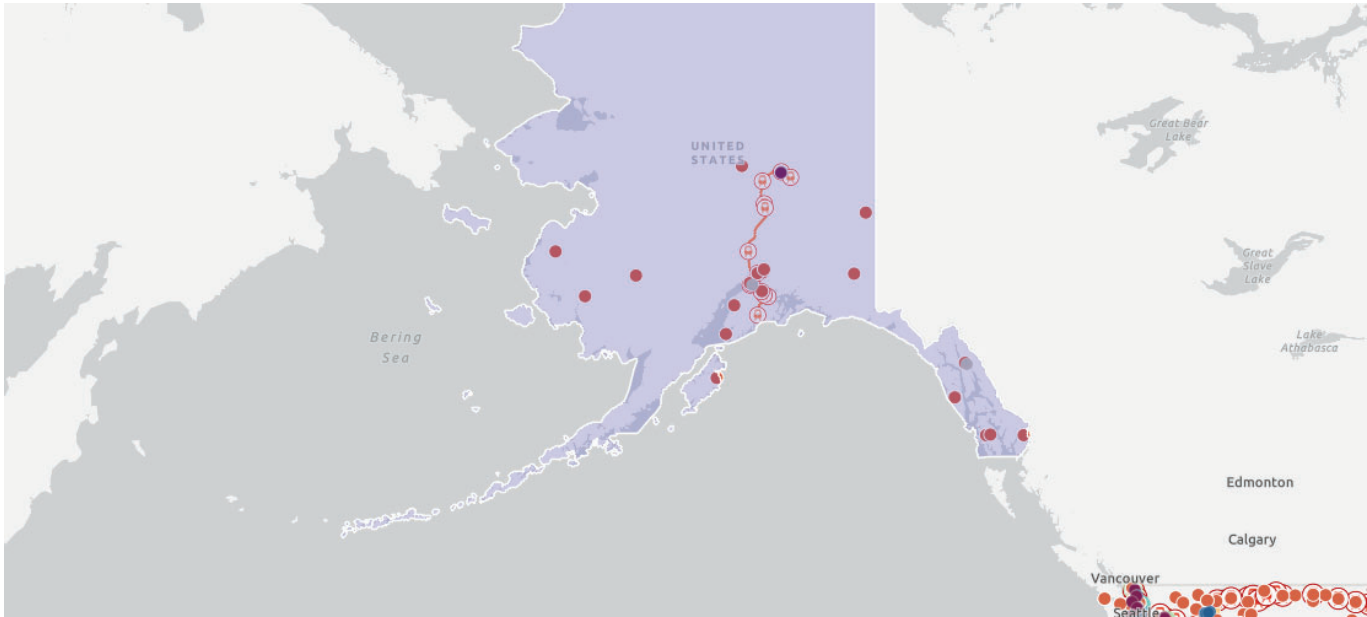
Enclosures



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Legend

Bus Manufacturers

- Parts and Materials Inputs
- Infrastructure, Station Equipment, and Remanufacturing
- Major Supplier
- Assembler/OEM

Rail Manufacturers

- Parts and Materials Inputs
- Infrastructure, Station Equipment, and Remanufacturing
- Major Supplier
- Assembler/OEM

APTA Members

- Business Member
- Government and Other Groups
- Public Transportation Providers

Rural Public Transit Providers



Amtrak Stations



Rail Stations



Amtrak Routes



Rail Lines



Bus Station Areas



Industry Summary



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APTA Member Facilities



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Bus Manufacturer Facilities



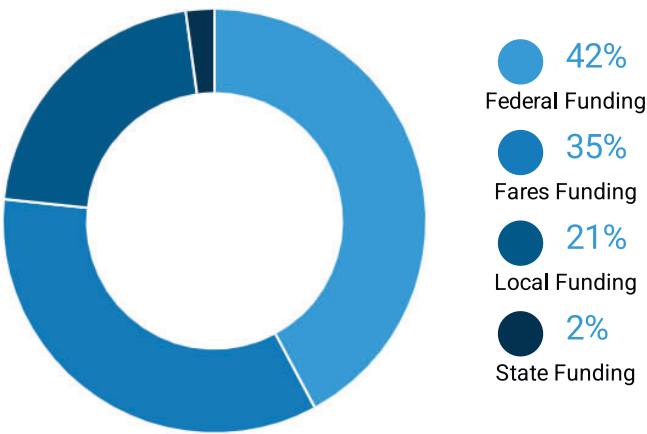
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Rail Manufacturer Facilities

Federal Appropriations

\$403.7M
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law 5-Year Total

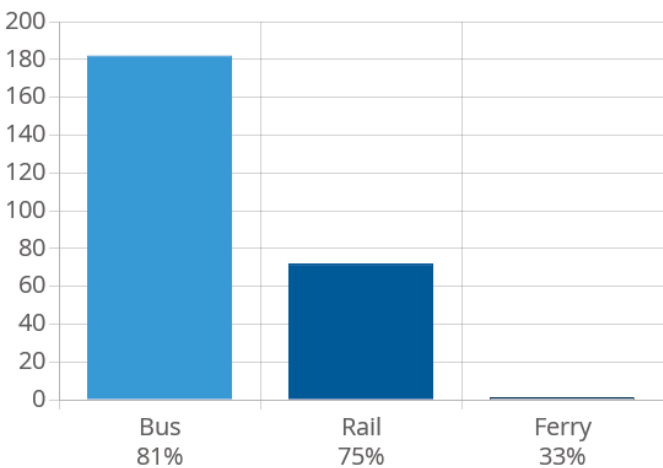
\$273.3M
FAST Act 5 Year Total FY 2016 - FY 2020

Regional Funding

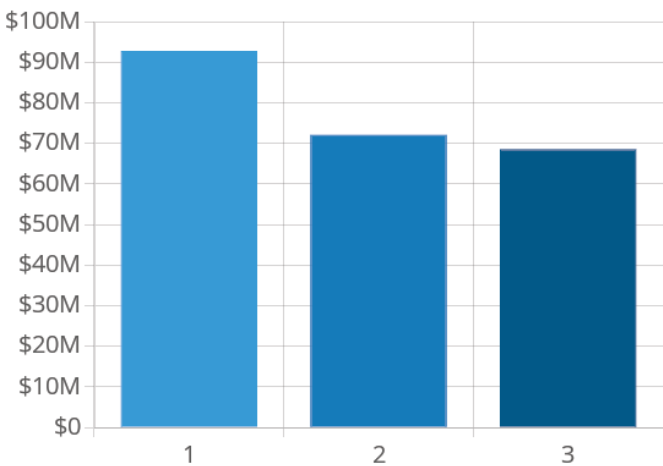


Useful Life of Public Transit

Total number of assets which exceed their useful life in 5 years

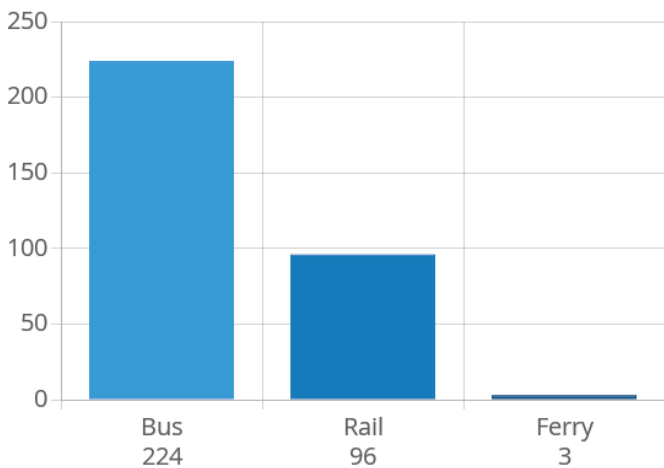


Major Grant Awards



Transportation Footprint

Vehicles and Assets at Agencies Serving this Area



Public Transit Systems

Population Served (if available)

Alaska Railroad Corporation	352.7K
Municipality of Anchorage	291.2K
Fairbanks North Star Borough	95.6K
Bristol Bay Native Association	2.5K
Sitka Tribe of Alaska	N/A

(1) Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$92.8M
Rural Ferry	
(2) Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$72.1M
Rural Ferry	
(3) Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$68.5M
Rural Ferry	

Grant Details

State: AK

Region: Statewide

Recipient	Allocation	Project Description	Program	Year
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$92,786,400	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2023
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$72,065,545	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2022
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$68,488,384	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2022
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$46,214,008	Electric/Low-Emitting Ferry	Ferry Program	2022
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$45,483,214	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2022
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$44,823,800	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2022
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$38,511,041	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2023
Alaska Department of Transportation, on behalf of City and Borough of Juneau, Capital Transit	\$11,855,112	Mitigating Overcrowding and Enhancing Sustainability in Alaskas Capital City	Buses and Bus Facilities	2024
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	\$8,591,616	Rural Ferry	Ferry Program	2022
City and Borough of Juneau (Capital Transit)	\$5,014,400	Electric buses and charging infrastructure	Low or No Emission (Bus) Grants	2020
Ketchikan Gateway Borough, The Bus	\$4,285,436	Electric Buses and Charging Equipment	Low or No Emission	2022
Gulkana Village Council	\$4,207,093	Operations and Maintenance Facility	Buses and Bus Facilities	2022
City and Borough of Juneau, Capital Transit	\$2,600,000	Battery electric buses, charging infrastructure, and generator	Low or No Emission (Bus) Grants	2019
Fairbanks North Star Borough	\$2,494,728	CNG Buses and Vans	Low or No Emission	2022
Alaska DOT on behalf of City and Borough of Juneau, Capital Transit	\$2,264,000	Vehicle Storage and Maintenance Facility	Buses and Bus Facilities	2022

Recipient	Allocation	Project Description	Program	Year
Kenaitze Indian Tribe	\$1,600,000	Transit vehicle maintenance facility rehabilitation	Bus and Bus Facilities Grants	2019
Alaska DOT	\$1,500,000	Electric buses and charging infrastructure	Low or No Emission (Bus) Grants	2018
Native Village of Unalakleet	\$1,411,464	Maintenance equipment	Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Competitive	2023
Kenaitze Indian Tribe	\$960,155	Express Bus pilot	Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Competitive	2023
Village of Iliamna	\$445,280	Vehicle storage facility	Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Competitive	2023
Metlakatla Indian Community	\$402,257	Battery Electric Bus and Charging Equipment	Buses and Bus Facilities	2022
Village of Aniak	\$221,659	Tribal transit program startup	Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Competitive	2023
Healy Lake Village	\$213,127	All-weather van purchase	Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Competitive	2023
Nulato Village	\$179,885	Transit bus for service to airport	Bus and Bus Facilities Grants	2019
Chickaloon Native Village	\$53,966	Accessible minivan purchase	Bus and Bus Facilities Grants	2019

Data Summary

State: AK

Region: Statewide

Unlinked Passenger Trips

Passenger Miles Travelled

4.2M

46.5M

County	Commuters	Transit Commuters	Median Income	Zero Vehicle Households	Traffic Volume
Anchorage Municipality	157.7K	2.7K	92.4K	5.8K	High
Juneau City and Borough	17.6K	929	91.1K	1.1K	High
Fairbanks North Star Borough	52K	481	86.9K	1.7K	Moderately high
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	41.7K	341	95.1K	1.2K	Medium
Kenai Peninsula Borough	24.6K	246	No Data	No Data	Very low
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	6.8K	211	75.1K	648	High
North Slope Borough	5.3K	210	78.2K	741	Very low
Sitka City and Borough	4.7K	66	71.4K	427	Moderately high
Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area	2.6K	33	55.6K	221	Very low
Bethel Census Area	5.8K	32	56.9K	2.6K	Very low

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- Government Agencies

FAST Planning*

Metropolitan Planning Organizations

Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions*

Non-Operating State DOTs

Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities*

Regular US Transit Systems

Fairbanks North Star Borough*

Bus Manufacturers

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Rail Manufacturers

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