Both the Senate and House of Representatives have advanced Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies (THUD) Appropriations bills. The Senate is considering its THUD bill on the Floor this week (as part of a “minibus”); the House has yet to schedule Floor consideration on its bill. Congress will not complete appropriations action by October 1 and must enact a Continuing Resolution to prevent a government shutdown.

APTA urges Congress to harness the potential of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law by fully funding public transit in the FY 2024 THUD Appropriations bill.

Public transportation is a $79 billion industry that directly employs more than 430,000 people and supports millions of private-sector jobs.

APTA urges Congress to provide at least $21.6 billion for public transit in the THUD Appropriations bill (when combined with the advance appropriations of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law). These investments will help bring public transit systems to a state of good repair and meet the mobility demands of communities. The Senate THUD bill provides $21.1 billion for public transit, which is $2.2 billion more than the House bill.

For Capital Investment Grants (CIG), APTA urges Congress to provide $4.6 billion to help communities meet mobility demands. Today, 66 projects across the nation are seeking $42 billion of CIG funds. The Senate THUD bill provides $4 billion for CIG projects in FY 2024. The House bill provides less than $2 billion, the lowest level in two decades.

- Every $1 invested in public transit generates $5 in long-term economic returns.
- Every $1 billion invested in public transit creates or sustains nearly 50,000 jobs across the entire economy.
- Nearly 9 of 10 transit trips directly benefit the economy by bringing people to where they spend and earn money.

APTA urges Congress to:

- Enact a Continuing Resolution to prevent a government shutdown that would slow implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; and
- Provide at least $21.6 billion for Public Transit in the FY 2024 THUD Appropriations bill.