

# Automated Shuttle Buses in Transit Operations

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# Funding: FAST Act

## Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Initiative (ATCMTD) 2016-2020

1<sup>st</sup> Year: Issue Date: March 3, 2016, Applications Due: June 24, 2016, Awarded

2<sup>nd</sup> year: Issue Date: April 12, 2017, Applications Due: June 12, 2017, Awarded

3<sup>rd</sup> Year: **Coming Up**

4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Year Remaining



# V2V Communications



# Road Testing





# Transit Ridership

## Transit ridership fell in 9 of 10 largest markets in 2017

Researchers attributed the decline to ride-hailing services, cheap fuel, and the increase of car ownership, among other factors.



# Some of the Shuttles



<b>SAE/NHTSA Level of Automation</b>	4 – High Automation	<b>Passenger Capacity</b>	12-15
<b>Drive</b>	Battery Electric	<b>Wheelchair Accessible</b>	Yes
<b>Charging</b>	On-board or inductive	<b>AC/Heating</b>	Yes
<b>Range</b>	3-10 hours (depends on environment and AC/heating usage)	<b>Size</b>	L: 12-14 ft. W: 6-7 ft. H: 8-9 ft.
<b>Recharge Time</b>	2-8 hours (depends on voltage and/or charging strategy)	<b>Wheelbase</b>	9-10 ft.



<b>Top Speed</b>	25 mph (40 km/h)	<b>Weight</b>	3,000 lbs.
<b>Average Operating Speed</b>	12.5 mph (20 km/h)	<b>Payload Capacity</b>	3,000 lbs.
<b>Localization</b>	LIDAR, GPS	<b>Gross Vehicle Weight</b>	6,000 lbs.
<b>Sensing</b>	LIDAR, optical camera, RADAR, INS	<b>Human-Machine Interface</b>	Touchscreen, speakers/ microphone, digital signage, horn, lights
<b>Communication</b>	DSRC; 4G; Wi-Fi	<b>Remote Supervision</b>	Emergency link and two- way communication

# Transit Benefits

1. Provides for First Mile/Last Mile
2. Eliminates Wait Time
3. Provides for Seamless Transfers
4. Improves Transit Reliability
5. Improves Customer Satisfaction
6. Increases Transit Ridership
7. Reduces Operating Costs
8. Increases Total System Throughput
9. Decreases Primary & Secondary Incidents
10. Stimulates Economic Growth
11. Short Project Development/Implementation Timeframe
12. Electric Vehicles, Zero Emissions
13. Addresses Paratransit Needs
14. Enables Mobility on Demand (MOD)

# Legislation

- **US House: “Self Drive Act” Passed the House, Referred to Senate**
- **US Senate: Renamed “AV START Act”, Passed Senate Committee**
- **Held Up in the US Senate**
- **Conference Committee: TBD**

# Regulation & Guidance

- **Development of Automated Vehicles 3.0 (AV 3.0) is underway and to be released Summer 2018**
- **US DOT V2I Deployment Guidance (Phase II just started with 3 Working Groups)**
- **V2V Communications (DSRC Mandate, the 5G issue)**



# Accident in Las Vegas



Shoes Appear



In-View



# The Driver, Moments Before



# Early Lessons Learned

1. Find a Passionate Champion
2. Funding is Key
3. Have Vision, Mission Statements, Strategic, Business & Marketing Plans
4. Plan Big. Start Small with the “Low Hanging Fruit”
5. Under Promise
6. Share Information
7. Media often gets it wrong
8. Do not underestimate Permitting Requirements
9. Better Insurance
10. Plan for Accidents
11. Test & Re-Test
12. Keep Going, Do Not Give-Up
13. Remember that Riders Rule

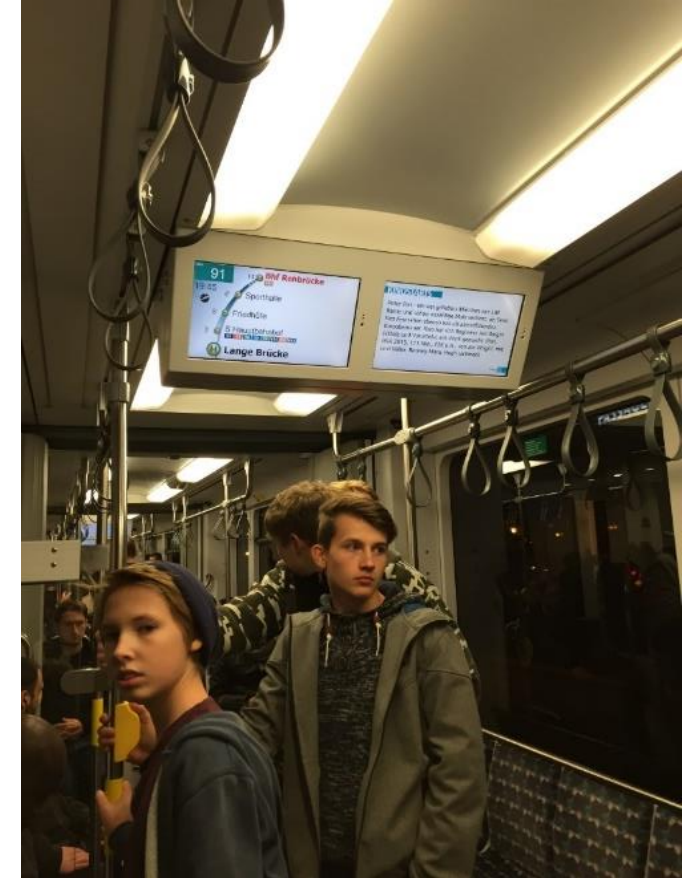


**New poll:**

**Research suggests 50% of all new vehicles will have V2V tech by 2022. Will U.S. road infrastructure be in a state to maximize the potential safety implications this might bear?**



# Data Ownership & Spectrum Sharing



There is no Interoperability without:





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