



Incorporating Sustainability into Individual Projects to Achieve Long-Term Goals



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JTA Background

- **1955** – Formed as the Jacksonville Expressway Authority (JEA)
– an independent agency of the State of Florida
- **1971** – Began bus service and renamed the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)
- **JTA** provides bus, paratransit, ferry and Skyway services, and constructs transportation infrastructure including roads and bridges



We Are JTA



875 Employees/Contractors

325 Vehicles

798 Service Area (in square miles)



Jacksonville, Florida

Size:

- 884 square miles
- Largest city in contiguous U.S.

Population (2017):

- City of Jacksonville – 892,000
- Metro area – 1,631,000
- 12th most populous city in nation





Program Milestones

- **APTA Sustainability Commitment signed in 2013**
- **Sustainability Committee formed in 2014**
 - ≡ **Provided focused approach to sustainability-driven projects**
- **Earned APTA Silver-Level recognition in 2017**





Removing Barriers

- **Cultural acceptance**
 - ≡ **CEO signed APTA sustainability commitment**
 - ≡ **Formal committee formed to set priorities and formulate policies**
 - ≡ **Sustainability added to mission statement**
 - ≡ **Sustainability added as a strategic goal**



Removing Barriers

- **Limited funding for competing priorities**
 - ≡ Adopted phasing of projects and initiatives to expedite final completion of long-term goals
- **Limited technical expertise**
 - ≡ Identified experienced and interested staff and consultants to lead early initiatives
- **Regulatory requirements**
 - ≡ Recent legislation pushing for change and relaxing of restrictions on solar



Transformational Projects

Key Capital Programs Driving Long-Term Goals

- First Coast Flyer Bus Rapid Transit
- Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center
- JTAMobilityWorks
- Ultimate Urban Circulator (U²C)
- Facility Improvements
- Bus Stop Improvements



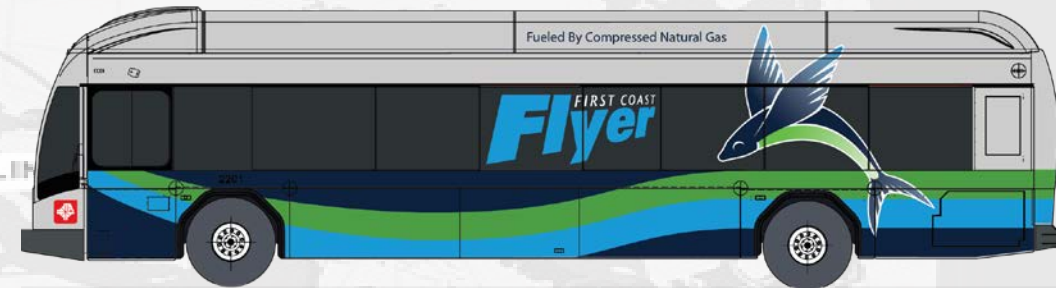
First Coast Flyer

- Four bus rapid transit corridors
- 80 stations
- Largest system in the SE United States

- ≡ 20 miles currently in service
- ≡ 57 total miles when complete

- Sustainability measures

- ≡ 100% CNG buses
- ≡ CNG fueling station built through public-private partnership
- ≡ 1st planned mobility hubs





Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center

■ Phase I – Intercity Bus Terminal

- ≡ 9,600 square feet
- ≡ Conditioned customer waiting area, 9 bus bays, café and Greyhound administrative offices
- ≡ Greyhound began operations in April 2018

■ Sustainability measures

- ≡ LED lighting and daylighting
- ≡ Cool roof
- ≡ Waste diversion > 90%
- ≡ LEED certification pending





Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center

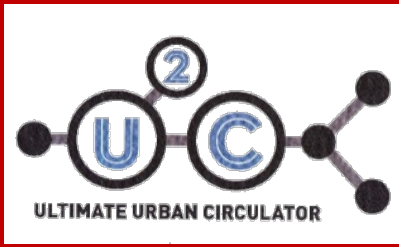
- **Phase II – JTA Administration Building and Bus Transfer Facility**
 - ≡ 60,000 square feet
 - ≡ Administrative offices, conditioned customer waiting area, 21 bus bays, lease space and public spaces
 - ≡ Completion in early 2020
- **Sustainability measures**
 - ≡ LED lighting and daylighting
 - ≡ Cool roof
 - ≡ Sustainability educational kiosk
 - ≡ LEED certification anticipated





- **Program includes 13 roadway projects and improvements in 14 mobility corridors**
 - ≡ Transit Enhancements
 - ≡ Complete Streets
 - › 1st program in Jacksonville
- **Sustainability measures**
 - ≡ LED roadway lighting
 - ≡ Quality of life improvements to ensure access by all modes of transportation





Ultimate Urban Circulator (U²C)

- Proposed autonomous vehicle system
- Builds on existing JTA assets (Skyway system) to create a more accessible, versatile, world-class, demand responsive system that fully connects downtown Jacksonville with the vibrant urban neighborhoods
 - ≡ Conversion and expansion of existing system
- 2 year test track pilot underway
- Sustainability measures
 - ≡ Alternative vehicles with low emissions
 - ≡ Proposed solar section for autonomous avenue test track
 - ≡ Sustainability aspects to be driven into design



Facility Improvements

- **Myrtle Avenue Operations Campus Improvements**

- ≡ Upgrade exterior lighting to LED
- ≡ Renovate and improve service station

- **Sustainability measures**

- ≡ Formed design basis for new LED lighting standards to be used on all future projects
- ≡ Solar hot water heating system for bus wash
- ≡ New roof with solar panels
- ≡ Potential LEED certification





Bus Stop Improvements

- Program has more than doubled total number of ADA compliant stops since 2014
- Work includes construction of ADA compliant bus stop pads, installation of shelters and amenities and lighting enhancements
- Sustainability measures
 - ≡ Solar lighting retrofit of original shelters (now standard for all non-BRT shelters)
 - ≡ Accessibility and quality of life - bus stop pads and amenities



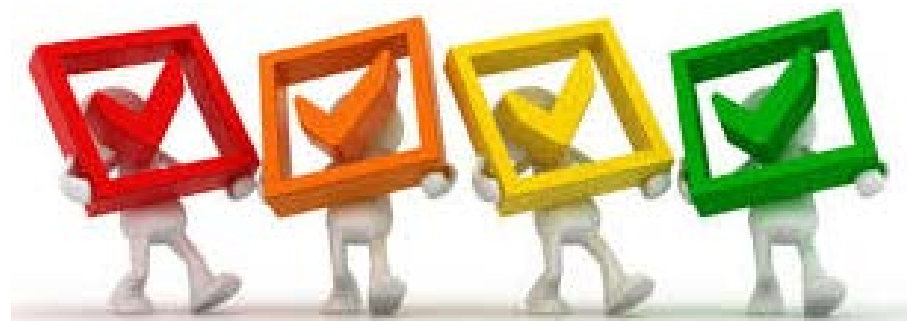
Program Goals – Next Steps

Additional Committed Goals

- Reduction of waste, electricity, and water
 - ≡ Projects planned for solar installation and irrigation system upgrades
 - ≡ Zero emission electric buses – 1st in 2019
- Formal sustainability plan and annual report
- Bridge lighting upgrade
- Bike share program



- Identify long-term goals and develop strategies to accomplish them
 - ≡ Funding
 - ≡ Implementation
- Avoid “all or nothing” approach
- Identify phasing plans to increase opportunities
- Consider sustainability elements in design of every project
- Be creative





Thank You

