



Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation

# Strategic Plans & Transit Development Plans

Transit Service Delivery Advisory Committee

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# Urban Transit Agency Strategic Plans



- Required every five years from transit agencies with 20+ bus fleet serving urbanized areas of 50,000+ population
- Impacted Agencies:

<b>Alexandria (DASH)</b>	<b>Arlington Transit</b>
<b>Fairfax Connector</b>	<b>Loudoun Transit</b>
<b>PRTC</b>	<b>Blacksburg Transit</b>
<b>Charlottesville Area Transit</b>	<b>Fredericksburg Transit</b>
<b>GLTC- Lynchburg</b>	<b>GRTC- Richmond</b>
<b>GRTC- Roanoke</b>	<b>Harrisonburg Transit</b>
<b>Hampton Roads Transit</b>	<b>Petersburg Area Transit</b>
<b>Radford Transit</b>	<b>Williamsburg Area Transit</b>

# Strategic Plan Legislative Guidelines



- Assessment of state of good repair needs
- Review of the performance of fixed-route bus service
- Evaluation of opportunities to improve operating efficiency of the transit network
- Examination and identification of opportunities to share services where multiple transit providers' services overlap
- Examination of opportunities to improve service in underserved areas
- Transit agencies in urban areas between 1.5-2 million must coordinate with regional MPO on planning and include prioritization and regional funding allocations for transit and rail in the region (\*HRT)

# Current Requirements for Transit Development Plans



- Required of any public transit operator receiving state funding
  - Cover a planning horizon of 10 years
  - Update at least every 6 years
- Outline
  - Chapter 1 – Overview of Transit System
  - Chapter 2 – Goals, Objectives, and Service Design
  - Chapter 3 – Service and System Evaluation
  - Chapter 4 – Service and Capital Improvement Plan
  - Chapter 5 – Implementation Plan
  - Chapter 6 – Financial Plan

# Integrating Planning Requirements



- For agencies that serve areas over 50,000 and have 20+ vehicles, TDP's will transition to meet the Strategic Plan requirements outlined in Code
  - Integrating requirements from TDP's and legislation
  - Pilot agencies
  - Policy Questions
- For areas that don't meet the threshold for Strategic Plans – TDPs would still be required, no change

# TDP Status – Strategic Plan Agencies



Agency	Last TDP
Alexandria (DASH)	2016
Arlington Transit	2017
Fairfax Connector	2016
Loudoun Transit	2016
PRTC	In progress
Blacksburg Transit	In progress
Charlottesville Transit	In progress
Fredericksburg Transit	In progress
GLTC - Lynchburg	In progress
GRTC - Richmond	2018
Harrisonburg	2017
Hampton Roads	2018
Petersburg	In progress
Radford Transit	In progress
Williamsburg	2016
GRTC - Roanoke	In progress

# Next Steps

- Define policy questions
- Develop transition plan
- Prepare pilot projects
- Develop guidance
- 60 day review period
- Implement guidance by December 1, 2018





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