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How Transit Supports Sustainability

Supports the Triple Bottom Line

- Helps with air quality
- Connects people to jobs
- Connects people to healthcare, education, etc.



Governor's Goal

Double Transit Ridership by 2020

In 2012

149,395,000

Annual unlinked passenger trips

*We are working towards doubling ridership
throughout the state*



How MTA Projects Support This Goal

Double Transit Ridership by 2020

- Expand commuter bus and MARC weekend service
- Technology such as real time passenger information will make transit more accessible and user friendly
- Purchase articulated buses, which allows agencies to increase capacity while maintaining the same size fleet
- Other customer enhancements such as improved lighting, signage, shelters, ADA accessibility, etc.



MTA Grants to Local Transit Agencies

- There are 25 Locally Operated Transit Systems (LOTS) in Maryland
- The LOTS are located in all 23 Maryland counties as well as Baltimore City, Annapolis, and Ocean City
- MTA administers over \$90 million in annual federal and state grant funds
- Most of these funds are used to serve rural and small urban communities



Types of Grants MTA Provides

- Annual grants
 - Urban area grants for established LOTS
 - Rural area grants for established LOTS
 - Human services grants for non-profits
- Competitive discretionary grants



How to apply for an MTA grant

➤ Annual grants

- LOTS are notified annually through direct communication
- Non-profits are notified bi-annually through the State Coordinating Committee on Human Services:
<http://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/26excom/html/21hum.html>

➤ Competitive discretionary grants

- Advertised in the Federal Register and on Grants.gov
- ***Applications must be coordinated through the MTA***



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