

RTA Board and Committee Meetings

May 25, 2021

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority



Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee

Chair: Mayor Michael P. Byrne

Audit, Safety Compliance & Real Estate Committee

Chair: Karen Gabriel Moss

RTA Board Meeting

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Public Comments – Agenda Items

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Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Promotions and New Hires

May 25, 2021

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority



May 2021 Promotions



Leon Williams
Supervisor -
Warehouse



Ellisia Turner
Supervisor -
Janitorial



Daniel Waken
Assistant Supervisor -
Section



James Hunt
Supervisor -
Rail Traffic



Rickie Buck
Assistant Supervisor -
Equipment



Everett Clark
Assistant Supervisor -
Track



Terrance Phillips
Service Quality
Coordinator



Carla Hunter
Service Quality
Coordinator

May 2021 New Hires



Steve Fernandez
Payroll Specialist



Richard Jeschelnic
Desktop Engineer II



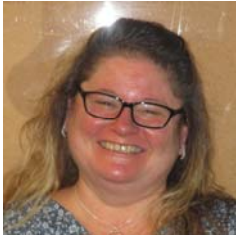
Joshua Klabik
Financial Accountant I



Margaret Swetel
Assistant Contact
Administrator



Deirdre Jones
Director –
Security/Chief of Police



Karen Sforzo
User Support Analyst



Barbara Zawol
Office Manager



Resolutions

Secretary/Treasurer Report

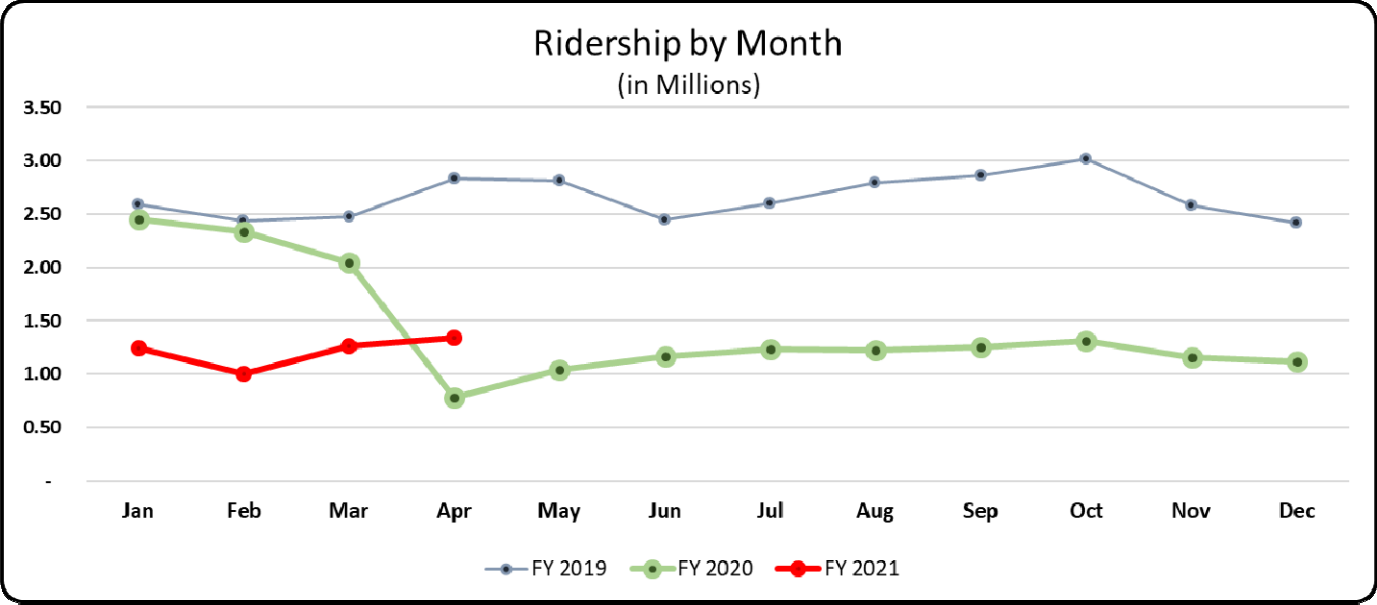
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Board of Trustees

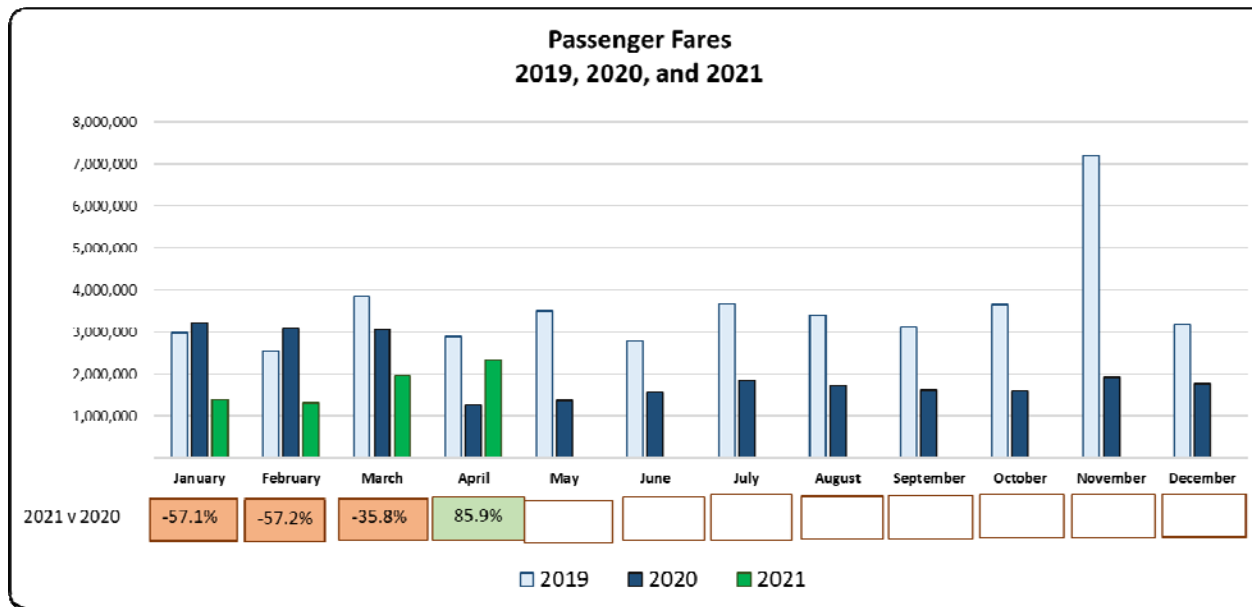
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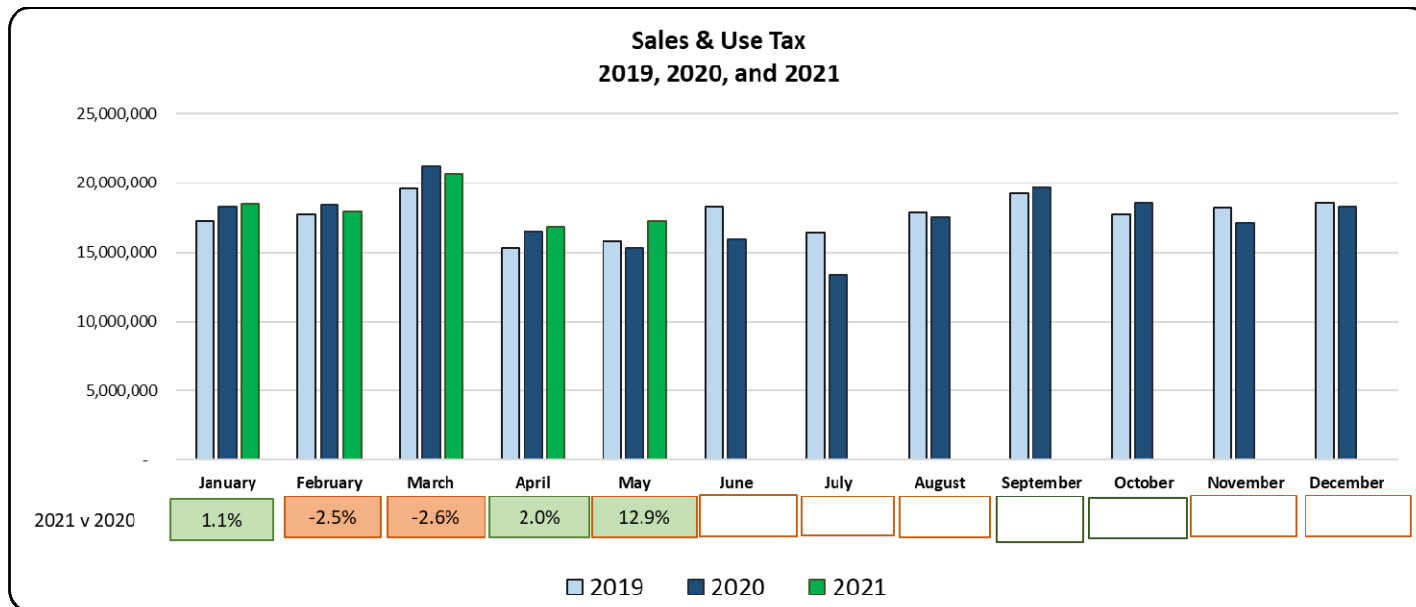
Ridership



Passenger Fares



Sales Tax



Strategic Use of Projected Ending Balances

Summary of Federal Stimulus

- 3 rounds of stimulus received:
 1. CARES Act - Approximately \$112 million
 2. CRRSAA - Approximately \$ 67 million
 3. ARP - Approximately \$136 million

Total - Approximately \$315 million

Intent of Federal Stimulus

- Funding at 100% federal share
 - No local match required
- Reimbursement of Operating Expenses
 - Salaries, Fuel, PPE and cleaning supplies included, net of passenger fares
 - Such reimbursements will likely lead to improved projected ending balances, because Sales Tax revenue which normally paid for operating expenses was not used

Projected General Fund

(in Millions)

	Actual	Projections					
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Beginning Balance	\$ 41.6	\$ 133.6	\$ 158.8	\$ 180.0	\$ 133.4	\$ 89.8	\$ 47.0
Revenues:							
Passenger Fares	24.0	24.0	24.2	24.7	25.0	25.4	25.8
Sales Tax	210.1	217.3	221.7	226.6	232.3	238.1	244.1
Reimbursements	27.0	17.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	15.0
Other Revenue	3.4	3.7	5.4	5.2	5.2	4.8	4.8
Total Revenues (before stimulus)	264.5	262.2	256.3	261.5	267.5	273.3	289.7
Expenditures:							
Operating Expenditures	246.7	258.9	262.9	267.1	271.4	282.6	279.3
Transfer for debt pay-off		60.0					
Transfers to Other Funds	37.8	53.5	40.2	41.0	39.7	33.5	32.5
Total Expenditures	284.5	372.4	303.1	308.1	311.1	316.1	311.8
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Use of Projected Ending Balances

- The \$315 million of funds:
 - Strategic planning ensures stability
 - With long term impact in mind
 - In a combination of support for:
 - Operating Budget
 - Unfunded Capital Projects
 - Debt reduction

Use of Funds

• Operating Budget	-	\$ 98.8 m	- 31%
• Unfunded Capital Projects	-	156.2 m	- 50%
• Debt reduction	-	<u>60.0 m</u>	- 19%
TOTAL		<u>\$ 315.0 m</u>	

Support of Operating Budget

- \$98.8 m will ensure:
 - Stability of operations through 2026
 - A needed reserve to mitigate economic risks
 - We project:
 - No lay-offs or furloughs for staff
 - No service reductions
 - Reduced reliance on Preventative Maintenance

Unfunded Capital Projects

- \$156.2 m will ensure that RTA will:
 - Address projects from RTA 10-year strategic plan
 - Approved by Board and with Community input
- Identification of specific projects in process
- Current Unfunded Capital Projects = \$344 m

Debt Reduction

- Approximately \$60 m to be used for debt pay-off
- Average savings of \$ 3.1 m annually through 2026
- Last of the bonds will mature in 2030 vs 2039
 - Debt service savings for 9 years would be approximately \$126 m
- Reduce expenditures in the future for additional capital and/or operating use
- Board resolution in June 2021

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Questions?

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Acting General Manager, CEO Report

Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Board of Trustees

“Rides for Community Immunity” Update

RTA awarded \$773,000 grant from ODOT Partnership with State of Ohio, City, County & ODH

- Awarded \$200,000 more from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.
- 15,000 All Day Passes distributed through social service agencies.
- GCRTA has played an active role in our community’s mass vaccination effort.
- Free fixed route passes have been distributed throughout various communities by FEMA canvassers to overcome and remove transportation barriers for vulnerable and underserved demographics.



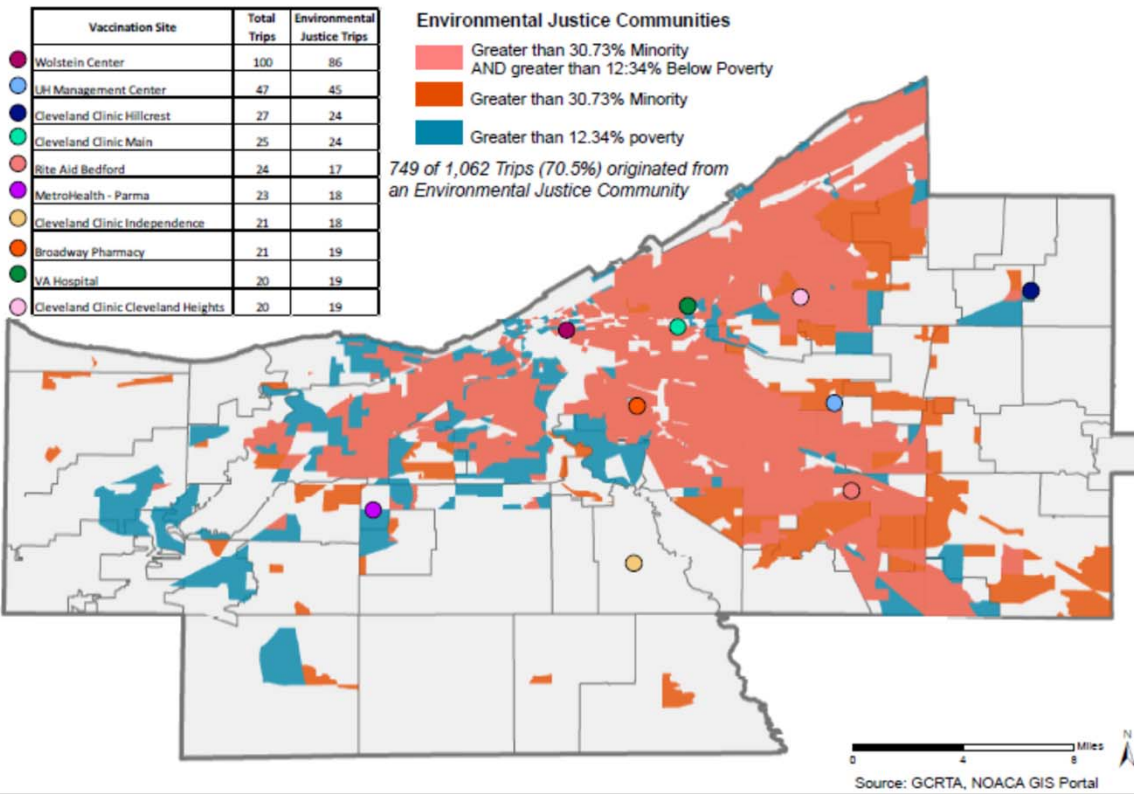
“Rides for Community Immunity” Update

- Free transportation on Paratransit has provided over 1,317 rides through May 20.
- A free parking/ADA shuttle from surface lots to all entrances of the Wolstein Center has provided 2,616 rides through May 20.
- Transit Police have assisted other law enforcement agencies to provide security and maintain flow of traffic around the Wolstein Center.

“Rides for Community Immunity” Update

- Stephanie Tubbs Jones Transit Center has been used by transit agencies throughout Northeast Ohio transporting those seeking vaccines.
- GCRTA in conjunction with Downtown Cleveland Alliance provided employees with priority codes for vaccination appointments.
- GCRTA has provided transportation planning assistance to numerous agencies and task forces for pop-up vaccination sites throughout Cuyahoga County.

COVID-Related Paratransit Trips Top Destination Vaccine Sites

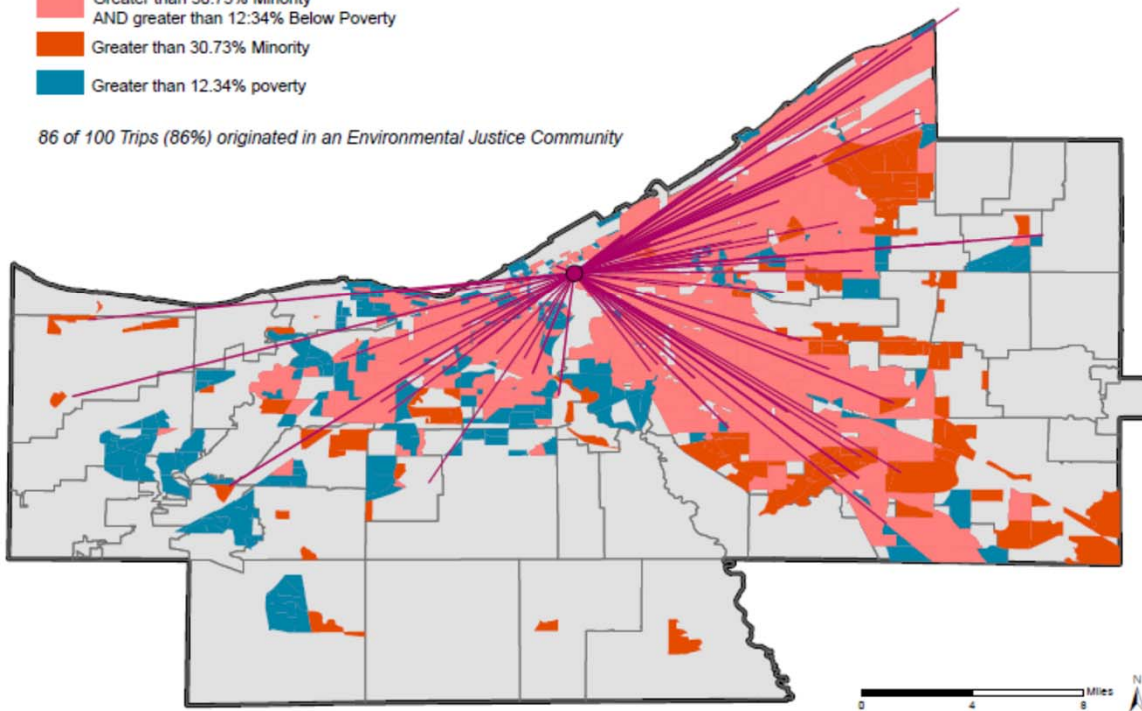


COVID-Related Paratransit Trips Wolstein Center

Environmental Justice Communities

- Greater than 30.73% Minority
AND greater than 12.34% Below Poverty
- Greater than 30.73% Minority
- Greater than 12.34% poverty

86 of 100 Trips (86%) originated in an Environmental Justice Community



RTA Mask Requirement Update

- The Center for Disease Control and Governor DeWine recently lifted certain face mask requirements
- CDC still requires masks on public transit
- It also requires masks for transit support staff such as mechanics and facilities workers
- As such, the current RTA masks requirement will remain in place for all customers and staff

Why We Exist

The Why – New Mission & Vision

Mission: *Connecting the Community.*

Vision: *Leading the delivery of safe and creative mobility solutions and community connections.*



Success Outcomes

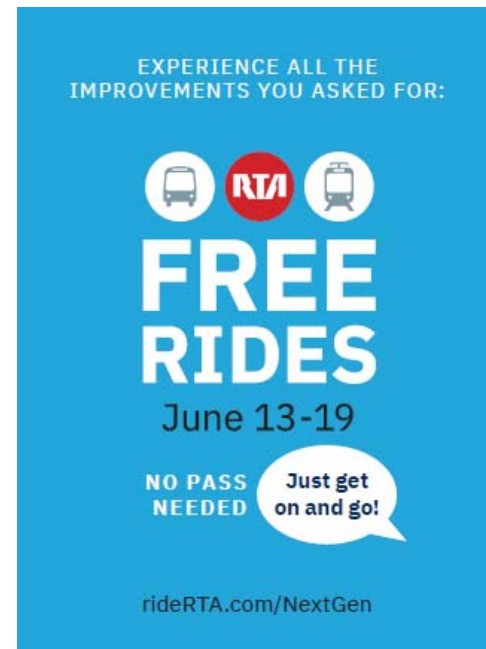
Primary Strategic Focus:

- Customer Experience
- Community Value
- Financial Sustainability
- Employee Growth



Next Gen RTA Free Ride Offer

- Kicking off the NEXT GEN RTA launch
 - Invites riders to ride for free
 - Week of June 13-19, 2021
 - Ride free on Bus, Rail, Park-n-Ride and Paratransit





ODOT 2021 Civil Rights Transportation Symposium Award

- Excellence in Diversity & Inclusion Award “Transit System of the Year”
- Presented to the Office of Business Development
- For efforts to serve small and minority businesses

RTA 2020 Annual Report



- RTA's 2020 Annual Report is posted on the website www.riderta.com
- It's digital and interactive.

RTA Named “Most Innovative” at 2021 Trapeze-Vontas Conference

- RTA awarded for most innovative and forward thinking person or organization.
- For development, design and implementation of a new on-board and integrated communications system.
- New communication system has state-of-the-art vehicle alarms, priority cellular service, new radio communications towers and a turn-by-turn navigations system.

LYTX 2021 National Driver Safety Honoree

- Transit/Motor Coach Award
 - Lytx Driver Safety Program for dedication to safety
 - National 2nd place – RTA Hayden Operator Godwin McNeal



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Executive Session

