

Connections 2026

Escambia County's 10-Year Transit Development Plan

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Presentation Overview

- What is a TDP?
- Baseline Conditions
- Transit Demand Assessment
- Public Outreach
- 10-Year Needs
- Evaluation of Needs & Priorities
- 10-Year Cost Feasible Plan
- Next Steps



What TDP is Not

- Not a Budget
- Not a Capital Improvement Program (CIP)
- Not a binding agreement

Ok. What is it, then?





What is a TDP?

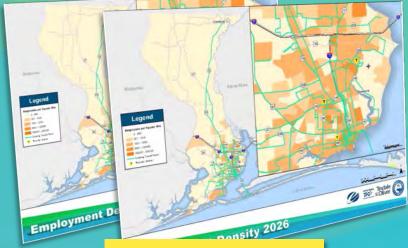
- 10-year Strategic Plan for Transit
 - Evaluate demographics & travel behavior
 - Assess existing transit options
 - Conduct public involvement & outreach
 - Determine transit needs
 - Develop service & implementation plans
- FDOT Requirement
- Incorporates Best Practices



Baseline Conditions



Population and Housing Trends



Employment Trends

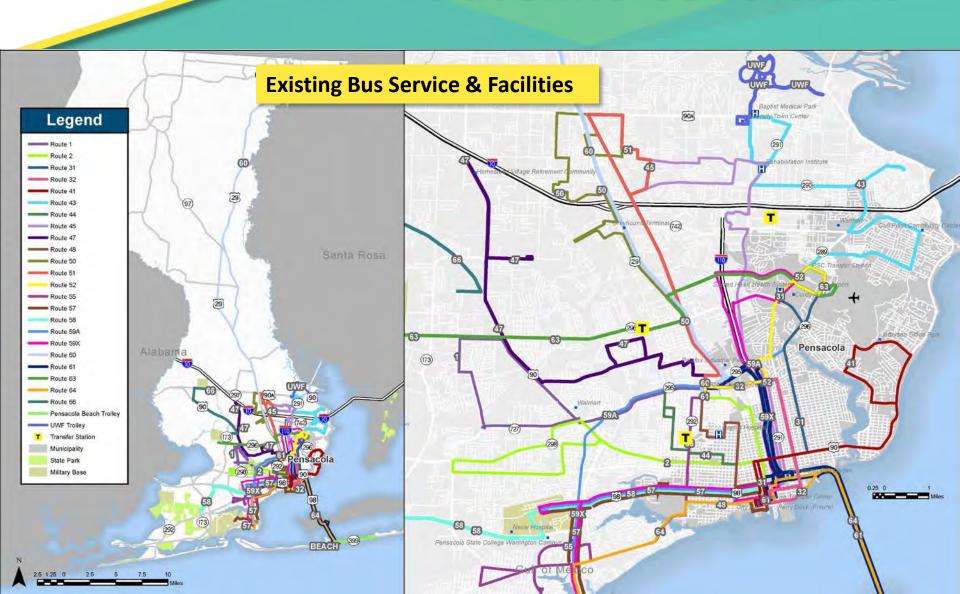


Minority





Baseline Conditions





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Local/Regional Studies/Plans





Other Transportation Options



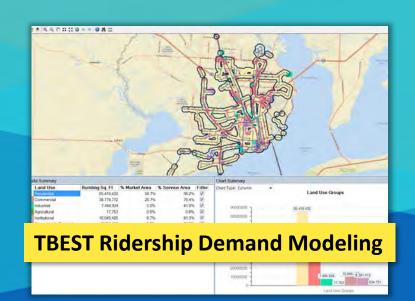
Transit Demand Assessment



Level of Transit Investment	Dwelling Unit Density Threshold ¹	Employment Density Threshold ²	
Minimum Investment	4.5-5 dwelling units/acre	4 employees/acre	
High Investment	6-7 dwelling units/acre	5-6 employees/acre	
Very High Investment	≥8 dwelling units/acre	≥7 employees/acre	

Existing/Future Discretionary Markets







Public Outreach

- Public Workshops
- Discussion Groups
- Stakeholder Interviews
- Bus Rider Survey
- Bus Operator Survey
- General Public Surveys
- Website/Email/Facebook
- Grassroots Efforts













Public Outreach

Outreach Activity	Participants		
Discussion Groups	23		
Public Workshops/Grassroots Outreach	98		
Committees (MTAC, Other)	44		
Rider, Non-Rider, Operator Surveys	2,207		
E-mail Blasts	171		
Facebook & Twitter	283		
Santa Rosa Survey	604		
Total Participants	3,430		

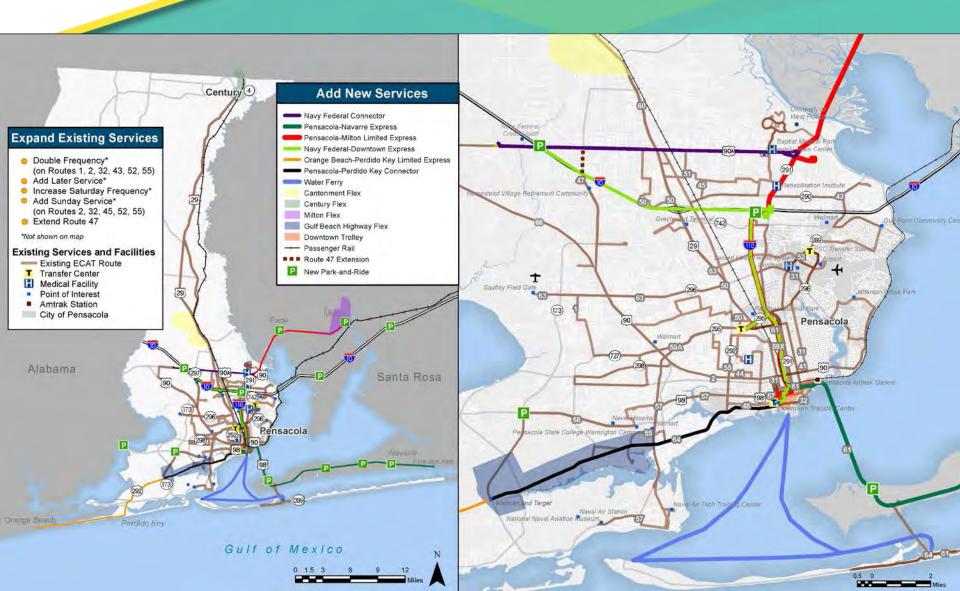


Input on Improvements

Improvement	Public Workshops	Discussion Groups	On-Board Survey	Bus Operators	Stakeholder Interviews	Mass Transit Advisory Committee	Technical Review Team
Increase Frequency	1	2	3	2	3	1	1
Add Service to New Areas	2	3	4	4	1	2	2
Add Later Hours	3	1	2	1	4	3	3
More Weekend Service	4	4	1	3	2	4	4



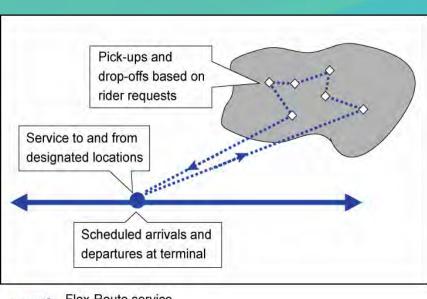
10-Year Transit Needs





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Flex Route Service Concept



Flex-Route service

Fixed-route alignment

Scheduled timepoint

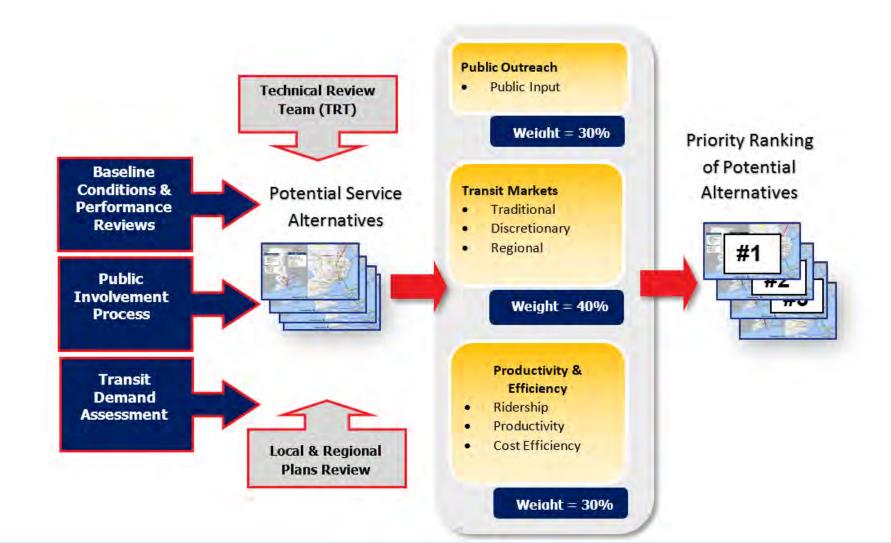
Flex-Service area

Pick-ups and drop-offs based on rider requests





Alternatives Evaluation





Improvement Priorities

Priorities for Improvements to Existing Routes

- #1 Add Later Weekday Service to 10 pm on all Routes
- #2 Increase Saturday Frequency on Existing Routes
- #3 Double Weekday Frequency on Routes 1, 2, 32, 43, 52, 55
- #4 Add Sunday Service on Routes 2, 32, 45, 52, 55
- **#5 Extend Route 47 to Nine Mile Road**



Improvement Priorities

New Local Route Priorities

- **#1 Navy Federal Connector**
- **#2 Navy Federal-Downtown Express**
- #3 Cantonment Flex
- #4 Gulf Beach Highway Flex
- **#5 Pensacola-Perdido Key**
- #6 Downtown Trolley





New Routes - Regional Priorities

- **#1 Pensacola-Navarre Express**
- **#2 Pensacola-Milton Limited Express**
- #3 Milton Flex
- #4 Orange Beach-Perdido Key Limited Express

Improvement Priorities





10-Year Needs - Capital

- Bus Stop Infrastructure
- Bus Stop Safety/ADA Accessibility
- Park-and-Ride Lots
- Transit Signal Priority (TSP)
- New ECAT Operations & Maintenance Facility
- Enhance Rosa Parks Transfer Complex
- New Downtown Intermodal Facility
- Replace/Add New Vehicles







10-Year Needs - Other

- Partnership to Establish Water Ferry Connections
- Shared Park-and-Ride Lot Agreements
- Transportation Demand Management (TDM)
 Strategies
- Land Development Regulations
- Partnerships with Ride-Sourcing Companies
- Ride Voucher Programs
- Study Connection Service to Water Ferry
- Evaluate Implementing Transit Signal Priority



Cost Feasible Plan

- Continue Existing Services
 - 2017 Extend Route 47
- New Services
 - 2018 Downtown Trolley
 - 2021 Pensacola-Navarre Express
- Capital Improvements
 - 2017/26 Misc. Capital and Amenities
 - 2017/20 Bus Stop Infrastructure/Accessibility
 - 2017/20 Park-and-Ride Lots
 - 2023 ECAT Operations and Maintenance Facility
 - 2024 Downtown Intermodal Facility

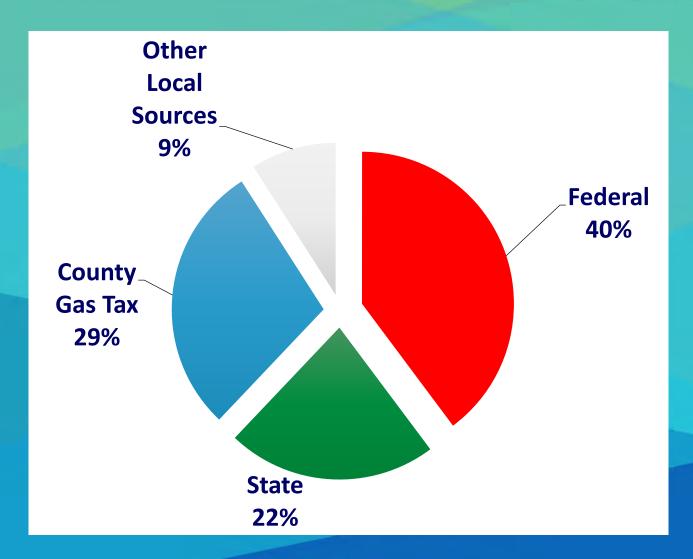


Cost Feasible Plan Costs (millions)



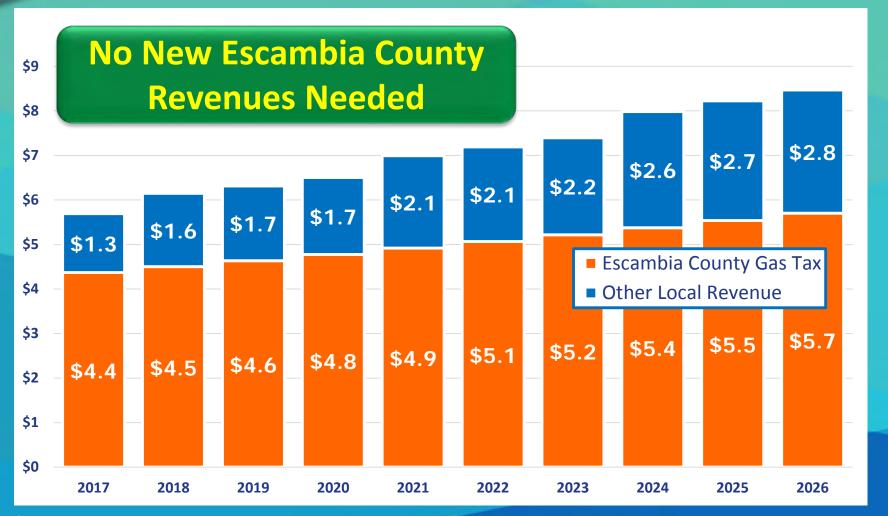


Cost Feasible Plan Revenues





Cost Feasible Plan Local Revenues (millions)



^{*} Assumes 3% annual inflation.



Next Steps

- Plan Adoption
- Submit to FDOT
 - September 1st





Questions/Comments

