METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MISSION

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority is responsible for operating, maintaining and improving public transportation in the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District consisting of New York City and Dutchess, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester counties.

The Authority oversees the operations of the bus and subway systems in New York City, commuter railroads in the region, and seven bridges and two tunnels in New York City. This oversight includes general policy direction and development of operating and capital programs.

The Authority is comprised of three independent entities: The Metropolitan Transportation Authority, MTA New York City Transit and MTA Bridges and Tunnels. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority has four subsidiaries: MTA Staten Island Rapid Transit, MTA Long Island Rail Road, MTA Long Island Bus and MTA Metro North Railroad. MTA New York City Transit, which operates the New York City subway and bus systems, has one subsidiary, MTA Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

Each of the three independent entities mentioned above is governed by its own Board, although by law membership on each Board is identical. There are 19 board members, 17 voting and 2 non-voting, each nominated by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Four members are nominated from a list provided by the Mayor of the City of New York and one each from lists prepared by the seven county executives in the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District. The remaining six voting members are appointed directly by the Governor, with one serving as Board Chair.

FISCAL BACKGROUND AND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The appropriation below represents only a portion of the more than $1.4 billion subsidy provided by the State to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority each year, with the additional aid appropriated in the Department of Transportation's Aid to Localities budget.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

MTA NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT AND MTA COMMUTER RAILROADS

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority provides 24 hour-a-day transit and commuter services in the New York City metropolitan region. Its subway system is the largest in the nation and one of the largest in the world. MTA New York City Transit operates approximately 230 local and express bus routes throughout New York City. Complementing this service are additional bus routes in Nassau County provided by MTA Long Island Bus. MTA Long Island Rail Road and MTA Metro North Railroad, the two largest commuter rail systems in the nation, provides transportation for travelers entering New York City from outlying suburban areas in New York State and Connecticut. Approximately 2.3 billion passengers ride the subways, buses and commuter rail systems each year.

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MTA BRIDGES AND TUNNELS

MTA Bridges and Tunnels, the largest toll system in the Nation, operates nine intra-city bridges and tunnels in New York City: Triborough Bridge, Bronx-Whitestone Bridge, Henry Hudson Bridge, Marine Parkway-Gil Hodges Bridge, Cross Bay Veterans' Memorial Bridge, Throgs Neck Bridge, Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, Queens-Midtown Tunnel and Brooklyn Battery Tunnel. It also provides financing for MTA New York City Transit's and the commuter railroads' capital programs. In addition, MTA Bridges and Tunnels is required by law to transfer surplus revenues to MTA New York City Transit and the commuter railroads to support their operations.

OTHER SUBSIDIARIES

The other subsidiaries — MTA Staten Island Rapid Transit, MTA Long Island Bus, and MTA Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit — provide regional transportation services. MTA Staten Island Rapid Transit operates transit services on Staten Island. MTA Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit, in conjunction with MTA New York City Transit, provides bus service within New York City, primarily to passengers traveling within a particular borough or as feeder service to the subway.

MTA Long Island Bus provides bus service to Nassau County, western Suffolk County and eastern Queens County, connecting these areas to MTA New York City Transit's subway stations. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority is responsible for the operation and general oversight of MTA Long Island Bus. Nassau County is financially responsible for MTA Long Island Bus' operating costs that are over and above those supported by fares and by Federal and State assistance.

ALL FUNDS
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Category	Available 2000-01	Appropriations Recommended 2001-02	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2001-02
State Operations	0	0	0	0
Aid To Localities	391,397,000	437,600,000	46,203,000	0
Capital Projects	320,000,000	0	(320,000,000)	36,000,000
Total	711,397,000	437,600,000	(273,797,000)	36,000,000

AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2000-01	Recommended 2001-02	Change
Special Revenue Funds - Other	391,397,000	437,600,000	46,203,000
Total	391,397,000	437,600,000	46,203,000

AID TO LOCALITIES
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Program	Available 2000-01	Recommended 2001-02	Change
Dedicated Tax			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	391,397,000	437,600,000	46,203,000
Total	391,397,000	437,600,000	46,203,000

CAPITAL PROJECTS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available 2000-01	Recommended 2001-02	Change	Reappropriations 2001-02
Mass Transportation and Rail Freight				
Metropolitan Transportation Authority				
Capital Projects Fund - Advances	0	0	0	36,000,000
Transportation 2000 Bondable				
Urban and Commuter Mass Transportation Bondable				
Capital Projects Fund-Transportation 2000 (Bondable)	320,000,000	0	(320,000,000)	0
Total	320,000,000	0	(320,000,000)	36,000,000