Agency Overview

MISSION
The mission of DRPT is to facilitate and improve the mobility of the citizens of Virginia and to promote the efficient transport of goods and people in a safe, reliable, and cost-effective manner.

STAKEHOLDERS
- 41 Transit Systems
- 76 Human Service Operators
- 1 Commuter Rail Operator (VRE)
- 18 TDM Agencies
- 15 MPOs
- 9 Short line Railroads
- 2 Class I Freight Railroads
- 1 Intercity Passenger Rail Operator (Amtrak)
- 1 DRPT-Supported Intercity Bus

DRPT Provides Support for Projects and Programs:
- Assessing feasibility and environmental impacts of new and expanding services.
- Conducting statewide rail and public transportation studies.
- Planning and programming new services and capital improvement projects.
- Providing leadership, advocacy, technical assistance, and funding.

FY 2018 BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

- Public Transportation Programs: $429.0
- Passenger and Freight Rail Programs: $207.3
- Rail Industrial Access Programs: $1.6
- Rail Preservation Programs: $7.8
- Commuter Assistance Programs: $8.7
- Agency Operating Budget: $13.9
- Planning, Regulation, and Safety Programs: $4.3
- Human Service Transportation Programs: $16.4
Transit plays a **key role** in congestion mitigation, economic development, and environmental stewardship in Virginia.

Transit **provides mobility** to many of Virginia’s citizens who have no other means of transportation.

Transit **meets critical transportation needs** for not only citizens of the Commonwealth but for all individuals traveling in Virginia.

Transit **provides economic value**. VRE and WMATA alone provide **$600 million** to Virginia’s economy as the two systems transport approximately **293,000** people on an average weekday.

**TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT**

Moving people through TDM:
- Growing vanpooling and carpooling
- Encouraging transit ridership
- Promoting telework
- Bike to Work Week

Working with VDOT on major projects to mitigate construction impacts through transportation

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**TDM AND COMMUTER SERVICES**
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PASSENGER RAIL IN VIRGINIA

Virginia sponsors 6 daily Amtrak Trains accounting for over 850,000 rides in 2017.

Passenger rail provides $190 million in direct benefits to Virginia each year.

8 passenger rail cars equal 240 vehicles off of Virginia highways.

FREIGHT RAIL IN VIRGINIA

Freight rail is part of Virginia’s vision for a multi-modal network.

It is part of a national system with access to international markets.

Rail lines are privately owned in Virginia.

The Port of Virginia ships 36% of cargo by rail - more rail volume than any other East Coast port.

11 Freight railroads: 2 national Class I Railroads: Norfolk Southern and CSX; 9 local short line railroads.