



About Sun Metro

- 320K+ paratransit trips
- 169 Fixed Route buses
- 65 ADA (LIFT) buses
- 12 Job Express vans
- 100% CNG bus fleet
- 786 Employees
- FY16 operating budget \$70M



City of El Paso: Sun Metro Public Transportation Legislative Agenda

Sun Metro provides public Transportation options that connect on community to opportunities and economic development.

We ask member of the El Paso Delegation to support Sun Metro in its development and advancement of public transportation projects that enhance the quality of life for residents, business and visitors, and the ability to main, improve and grow our multimodal transportation network by supporting the following:

1. **Protecting the status quo** with regard to **how the Highway Trust Fund and the Mass Transit Account are treated** in the **Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Resolution/Reconciliation** process by maintaining the budgetary firewalls that protect the integrity of the Highway Trust Fund.
2. **Opposing any efforts to decouple public transportation's linkage to the Highway Trust Fund.**
3. Supporting **full FAST Act funding in Fiscal Year 2017 appropriations** and beyond for vital programs that will allow formula fund dollars to flow and discretionary grant application cycles to continue to award funds to projects.
4. Supporting federal programs, policies and legislation **that encourage and incentivize the use of alternative fuels such as compressed natural gas (CNG), including making the current federal tax credits** for alternative fuels and related infrastructure permanent.
5. Supporting policies that **increase Highway Trust Fund revenues** to address the growing infrastructure crisis and expand economic opportunity for our region, our state, and our nation.
6. Supporting **potential infrastructure initiatives** and **comprehensive tax reform** to bring new public transportation investment opportunities to our growing region.
7. Examining and beginning to **address the long-term structural deficiencies of the Highway Trust Fund.**



Major capital, funding, and operating projects

- *Construction and transitioning into revenue service*
 - Small Starts funded BRT Route: Mesa Brio RTS completed on Oct 2014 (\$43.9M)
 - Tiger grant: Northgate Transit Center and parking facility construction, to be operational in fall 2017 (\$15M) (Hunt Companies developing a \$110M development in conjunction with the Transit Center)
 - City Funded BRT Route: Alameda Brio RTS construction, to be operational in early 2018 (\$35M)
 - Small Starts funded BRT Route: Dyer Brio RTS construction, to be operational in spring 2018 (\$36M)
 - State and City funded electric rail system: EP Streetcar construction, to be testing in early-2018, operational in mid-2018 (\$102M)
 - Small Starts funded BRT Route: Montana Brio RTS in design, to be operational in late-2019 (\$43.9M)
- *Increase accessibility and convenience of public transportation to all El Pasoans and visitors*
 - FTA and City funded: Implement real-time service monitoring and planning for the public (2017)
 - FTA and City funded: Install Wi-Fi in all revenue service vehicles (2017)
 - FTA and City funded: Plan, purchase and implement a SMART card fare payment system (2018)
 - FTA and City funded: Bus stop sidewalk enhancement program (\$500K annually)
 - FTA and City funded: 20 shelters installed (\$250K annually)
- *Revenue Service Bus and Van replacement program (131.9M)*
 - Paratransit vans: 59 = \$9.6M (2018- 2020)
 - Fixed route buses:
 - 24 – 35’ 2004 model year = \$17.9M (2019)
 - 35 – 40’ 2007 model year = \$24.8M (2022)
 - 60 – 40’ 2008 model year = \$43.8M (2023)
 - BRT artic buses (new service):
 - 24 – 60’ 2017 model year = \$21.2M (2018)
 - 16 – 60’ 2018 model year = \$14.6M (2019)

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