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AGENDA

Connect Transit Board of Trustees, Regular Session

October 25, 2022 – 4:30 P.M.

Connect Transit Board Room, 351 Wylie Drive, Normal, IL 61761

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- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
 - a. Attendance by Other Means/Virtual – Roll Call Vote
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Public Comments
- E. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of September 27, 2022, Regular Session Minutes
 - b. Financial Information for September 2022
 - c. Monthly Statistical Reports for September 2022
 - d. Cardinal Infrastructure Federal Report
 - e. Cornerstone – Illinois Weekly Update
- F. New Business
 - a. Recommendation for Zero Fare Passes for Veteran’s – Roll Call Vote
 - b. Zero Fare for Election Day – Informational
- G. Chairman’s Report
- H. General Manager’s Report
- I. Executive Session
 - a. (ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – Personnel Matters
 - b. ILCS 120/2(c)(5) – Property Acquisition
- J. Trustee Comments
- K. Adjournment

Mission:

Connect Transit provides safe, reliable transportation and access to opportunity to strengthen and enrich individual lives, our community, the economy, and the environment.



September 2022

Financial Reports



Connect Transit Cash Disbursement Report September 2022

Name	Check Number	Date	Amount	Description
1st Ayd Corporation	00056135	02-Sep-22	\$243.93	Cleaning Supplies
1st Ayd Corporation	00056249	30-Sep-22	\$784.05	Cleaning Supplies
4Imprint	00056136	02-Sep-22	\$669.85	Advertising- Promotions
A.T.U. - C.O.P.E.	00056170	09-Sep-22	\$138.64	Payroll Deduction
A-1 Haney Plumbing	00056250	30-Sep-22	\$450.00	Plumbing
ABC Bus Companies	00056137	02-Sep-22	\$1,995.45	Bus Parts
ABC Bus Companies	00056217	23-Sep-22	\$884.12	Bus Parts
ABC Bus Companies	00056251	30-Sep-22	\$1,507.62	Bus Parts
Advance Auto Parts	00056138	02-Sep-22	\$71.27	Maintenance Supplies
Advance Auto Parts	00056171	09-Sep-22	\$674.82	Maintenance Supplies
Advance Auto Parts	00056218	23-Sep-22	\$336.74	Maintenance Supplies
Advance Auto Parts	00056253	30-Sep-22	\$3,950.70	Maintenance Supplies
Airgas USA, LLC	00056219	23-Sep-22	\$252.22	Welding Supplies
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 752	00056172	09-Sep-22	\$6,929.70	Payroll Deduction
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 752	00056220	23-Sep-22	\$100.00	Payroll Deduction
Amazon Capital Service	00056173	09-Sep-22	\$1,185.31	Bus Parts, Computer Hardware & Shop Tools
Amazon Capital Service	00056221	23-Sep-22	\$240.41	Office Supplies
Amazon Capital Service	00056254	30-Sep-22	\$1,303.66	Advertising- Promotions, Building Maint., Bus Parts, Off. Supplies & Bus Parts
Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & APTA	00056203	16-Sep-22	\$700.00	Legal Service
APTA	00056139	02-Sep-22	\$8,775.00	Travel & Meetings
Aramark Uniform Services	00056140	02-Sep-22	\$461.64	Cleaning Uniforms & Rugs
Aramark Uniform Services	00056174	09-Sep-22	\$880.05	Cleaning Uniforms & Rugs
Aramark Uniform Services	00056204	16-Sep-22	\$428.81	Cleaning Uniforms & Rugs
Aramark Uniform Services	00056222	23-Sep-22	\$438.93	Cleaning Uniforms & Rugs
Aramark Uniform Services	00056255	30-Sep-22	\$1,362.83	Cleaning Uniforms & Rugs
Arbor Professional Solutions, Inc.	00056223	23-Sep-22	\$679.71	Property Damage
Aric Tackett	00056175	09-Sep-22	\$200.00	Tool Reimbursement
Assurance Agency, Ltd.	00056205	16-Sep-22	\$167,493.00	Insurance
Assurance Agency, Ltd.	00056256	30-Sep-22	\$10,041.00	Insurance
Awarity	00056224	23-Sep-22	\$299.00	Advertising
B & B Awards and Recognition, Inc	00056206	16-Sep-22	\$83.55	Office Supplies & Printed Materials
B & B Awards and Recognition, Inc	00056257	30-Sep-22	\$105.75	Printed Materials
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois	00056225	23-Sep-22	\$133,168.44	Insurance
Blue Springs, Inc	00056226	23-Sep-22	\$225.00	Portable Restrooms
Bonfire Interactive, Ltd.	00056141	02-Sep-22	\$9,950.00	Software
Bridgestone Americas	00056142	02-Sep-22	\$2,240.26	Tires
Bridgestone Americas	00056258	30-Sep-22	\$2,713.70	Tires
CDM Smith Inc.	00056259	30-Sep-22	\$58,413.75	Downtown Transit Center
Central Illinois Trucks Inc.	00056143	02-Sep-22	\$4,587.39	Bus Parts
Central Illinois Trucks Inc.	00056176	09-Sep-22	\$1,803.32	Bus Parts
Central Illinois Trucks Inc.	00056227	23-Sep-22	\$2,363.56	Bus Parts
Central Illinois Trucks Inc.	00056261	30-Sep-22	\$5,586.19	Bus Parts
Central States Bus Sales, Inc	00056144	02-Sep-22	\$76.14	Bus Parts
CIRBN, LLC	00056207	16-Sep-22	\$147.13	Internet
City of Bloomington	00056145	02-Sep-22	\$1,157.45	Utilities
City of Bloomington	00056208	16-Sep-22	\$134.19	Utilities
City of Bloomington	00056262	30-Sep-22	\$1,284.20	Utilities
Clark Baird Smith, LLP	00056209	16-Sep-22	\$175.00	Legal Service
Clement Communications	00056177	09-Sep-22	\$484.74	Safety & Training
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	00056146	02-Sep-22	\$5,000.00	Audit Services
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	00056263	30-Sep-22	\$8,400.00	Audit Services
Commerce Bank	ACH	12-Sep-22	\$97.13	Bank Fees
Corn Belt Energy Corp.	00056210	16-Sep-22	\$4,670.95	Utilities
Cornerstone Government Affairs	00056178	09-Sep-22	\$3,958.33	Consulting
Cornerstone Government Affairs	00056211	16-Sep-22	\$3,333.33	Consulting
David White	00056147	02-Sep-22	\$677.70	Travel & Meetings
Dejuan McClelland	00056148	02-Sep-22	\$183.79	Tool Reimbursement
Discount Tire	00056179	09-Sep-22	\$824.00	Tires
Don Owen Tire Service, Inc.	00056180	09-Sep-22	\$120.00	Bus Parts
Don Owen Tire Service, Inc.	00056228	23-Sep-22	\$140.00	Bus Parts
Don Owen Tire Service, Inc.	00056264	30-Sep-22	\$43.53	Bus Parts
Eagle Automotive	00056149	02-Sep-22	\$928.56	Bus Parts
Eagle Automotive	00056181	09-Sep-22	\$39.00	Bus Parts



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Eagle Automotive	00056265	30-Sep-22	\$1,377.50	Bus Parts
Engraving Express	00056266	30-Sep-22	\$147.50	Driver's Uniforms
Evergreen FS	00056150	02-Sep-22	\$15,186.17	Fuel
Evergreen FS	00056182	09-Sep-22	\$837.95	Fuel
Evergreen FS	00056267	30-Sep-22	\$3,301.93	Fuel
Fastenal Company	00056229	23-Sep-22	\$14.90	Bus Parts
Fasteners Etc.	00056151	02-Sep-22	\$253.60	Maintenance Supplies
Fasteners Etc.	00056183	09-Sep-22	\$111.41	Maintenance Supplies
FMLASource	00056230	23-Sep-22	\$3,126.00	Consulting
Frontier	00056268	30-Sep-22	\$47.21	Telephone
Genfare, LLC	00056184	09-Sep-22	\$975.52	Software and Hardware
Genfare, LLC	00056231	23-Sep-22	\$392.96	Software and Hardware
Genfare, LLC	00056269	30-Sep-22	\$5,363.48	Software and Hardware
Gillig LLC	00056270	30-Sep-22	\$414.50	Bus Parts
Government Finance Officers Association	00056212	16-Sep-22	\$460.00	Certificate of Achievement Review
Government Finance Officers Association	00056232	23-Sep-22	\$280.00	Dues
Great Plains Media	00056185	09-Sep-22	\$1,680.00	Radio Advertising
Heller Ford	00056271	30-Sep-22	\$216.75	Bus Parts
Hotsy Equipment Company	00056272	30-Sep-22	\$516.97	Maintenance Equipment
ICMA	ACH	08-Sep-22	\$32,182.19	Payroll Deduction
ICMA	ACH	22-Sep-22	\$32,801.37	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00056152	02-Sep-22	\$12.31	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00056186	09-Sep-22	\$15,336.00	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00056233	23-Sep-22	\$15,456.63	Payroll Deduction
Illinois State Disbursement Unit	00056187	09-Sep-22	\$393.51	Payroll Deduction
Illinois State Disbursement Unit	00056234	23-Sep-22	\$379.47	Payroll Deduction
Infosc	00056153	02-Sep-22	\$5,038.00	Safety & Training
Judd Fink	00056154	02-Sep-22	\$525.00	Tool Reimbursement
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00056155	02-Sep-22	\$21,089.41	Bus Parts, Fuel & Lubricants
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00056188	09-Sep-22	\$25,417.20	Bus Parts, Fuel & Lubricants
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00056235	23-Sep-22	\$963.30	Bus Parts, Fuel & Lubricants
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00056273	30-Sep-22	\$76,906.36	Bus Parts, Fuel & Lubricants
Let's Party Rental	00056274	30-Sep-22	\$460.80	Electric Bus Event
Marsha L Combs-Skinner	00056189	09-Sep-22	\$600.00	Payroll Deduction
Marsha L Combs-Skinner	00056236	23-Sep-22	\$600.00	Payroll Deduction
Menards	00056275	30-Sep-22	\$109.83	Materials & Supplies
Michelin North America, Inc	00056190	09-Sep-22	\$4,883.16	Tires
Michelin North America, Inc	00056276	30-Sep-22	\$1,244.87	Tires
Midwest Bus Corporation	00056277	30-Sep-22	\$175,259.20	Driver Barriers
Midwest Equipment II	00056278	30-Sep-22	\$199.73	Lawn Maintenance Equipment
Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc.	00056237	23-Sep-22	\$160.27	Bus Parts
Miller Janitor Supply	00056191	09-Sep-22	\$339.95	Maintenance Supplies
Miller Janitor Supply	00056238	23-Sep-22	\$694.01	Maintenance Supplies
Miller Janitor Supply	00056279	30-Sep-22	\$160.90	Maintenance Supplies
Minerva Promotions	00056156	02-Sep-22	\$622.50	Uniforms
Minerva Promotions	00056239	23-Sep-22	\$760.75	Uniforms
Minerva Promotions	00056280	30-Sep-22	\$160.50	Uniforms
Morris Avenue Garage	00056157	02-Sep-22	\$105.00	Vehicle Inspection
Morris Avenue Garage	00056192	09-Sep-22	\$70.00	Vehicle Inspection
Morris Avenue Garage	00056240	23-Sep-22	\$35.00	Vehicle Inspection
Morris Avenue Garage	00056281	30-Sep-22	\$175.00	Vehicle Inspection
Mutual of Omaha	00056282	30-Sep-22	\$18,079.93	Life, AD&D, STD & LTD
NAACP Bloomington/Normal Branch	00056202	07-Sep-22	\$600.00	Community Event
Napa Auto Parts	00056158	02-Sep-22	\$197.60	Bus Parts
Napa Auto Parts	00056241	23-Sep-22	\$510.99	Bus Parts
Napa Auto Parts	00056283	30-Sep-22	\$380.95	Bus Parts
Nicor Gas	00056159	02-Sep-22	\$240.03	Utilities
Nicor Gas	00056284	30-Sep-22	\$268.82	Utilities
Oberlander Alarm Systems, Inc.	00056160	02-Sep-22	\$218.40	Security Alarm Service Fee
Oberlander Alarm Systems, Inc.	00056285	30-Sep-22	\$218.40	Security Alarm Service Fee
Pantagraph	00056161	02-Sep-22	\$4,101.50	Advertising- Promotions
Pantagraph	00056286	30-Sep-22	\$3,866.50	Advertising- Promotions
Payroll	ACH	08-Sep-22	\$239,877.97	



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Payroll	ACH	22-Sep-22	\$247,300.20	
Peprie Creed	00056242	23-Sep-22	\$158.76	Uniform Reimbursement
Piercy Auto Body	00056162	02-Sep-22	\$3,769.36	Outside Repair
Premier Staffing Solution, LLC	00056163	02-Sep-22	\$2,754.93	Staffing
Premier Staffing Solution, LLC	00056213	16-Sep-22	\$4,648.11	Staffing
Premier Staffing Solution, LLC	00056243	23-Sep-22	\$1,536.24	Staffing
Premier Staffing Solution, LLC	00056287	30-Sep-22	\$2,771.93	Staffing
Proterra, Inc.	00056193	09-Sep-22	\$1,560.00	Outside Repair
Proterra, Inc.	00056288	30-Sep-22	\$2,011.63	Bus Parts
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc	00056164	02-Sep-22	\$400.38	Lubricant Waste Disposal
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc	00056194	09-Sep-22	\$345.57	Solvent Tank
Sam Leman	00056244	23-Sep-22	\$42.65	Outside Repair
Sam Leman	00056289	30-Sep-22	\$41.13	Outside Repair
Southtown Wrecker Service, Inc.,	00056165	02-Sep-22	\$165.00	Towing
Southtown Wrecker Service, Inc.,	00056195	09-Sep-22	\$540.00	Towing
Southtown Wrecker Service, Inc.,	00056214	16-Sep-22	\$250.00	Towing
Stratus Networks	00056196	09-Sep-22	\$3,306.03	Internet
SumnerOne, Inc.	00056290	30-Sep-22	\$1,155.98	Copier Lease
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00056166	02-Sep-22	\$5,911.71	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00056197	09-Sep-22	\$8,696.59	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00056215	16-Sep-22	\$421.10	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00056245	23-Sep-22	\$968.98	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00056291	30-Sep-22	\$5,429.45	Bus Parts
The Copy Shop	00056198	09-Sep-22	\$144.00	Printing
The Copy Shop	00056292	30-Sep-22	\$413.50	Printing
Thermo King Quad Cities, Inc.	00056246	23-Sep-22	\$1,876.99	Bus Parts
Tina L.Benson	00056199	09-Sep-22	\$2,200.00	Masonry
Town of Normal	00056167	02-Sep-22	\$802.45	Utilities
Town of Normal	00056293	30-Sep-22	\$839.29	Utilities
TRAVELERS	00056200	09-Sep-22	\$3,457.00	Property Damage
United States Treasury	ACH	13-Sep-22	\$83,684.58	Federal Tax Payment
United States Treasury	ACH	27-Sep-22	\$84,256.37	Federal Tax Payment
UPS	00056247	23-Sep-22	\$67.38	Shipping
Verizon Wireless	00056168	02-Sep-22	\$2,946.73	Mobile Data Terminals for SS
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	(\$148.32)	Cash Back Rebate
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$236.94	Legal
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$277.09	Support Vehicles
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$6.99	Building Maintenance
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$2,009.64	Advertising- Employment
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$31.98	Shop Tools
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$355.57	Office Equipment
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$604.67	Software Licensing
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$83.18	Cable
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$462.89	Management Publications
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$3,866.53	Travel & Meetings
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$1,735.56	Employee Recognition
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$4,589.33	Advertising- Promotions
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$15.00	Media Promotions
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$479.71	Safety & Training
VISA-Commerce Bank	00056169	02-Sep-22	\$77.32	Misc
Vision Service Plan (IL)	00056248	23-Sep-22	\$1,122.34	Vision Insurance
WGLT	00056201	09-Sep-22	\$400.00	Radio Advertising
William F. Basham	00056216	16-Sep-22	\$200.00	Tool Reimbursement
William F. Basham	00056294	30-Sep-22	\$325.00	Tool Reimbursement
Total			\$1,674,607.64	

Bloomington Normal Public Transit Balance Sheet

Division: 99 Board Reports

As of: 9/30/2022

Fiscal Year: 2023 Period: 3 Sep-2022

Assets

Current Assets

Checking and Savings	\$6,634,243.31
Accounts Receivable	\$3,844,467.83
Inventory Asset - Fuel	\$76,413.47
Inventory Asset - Parts	\$281,415.83
Inventory Asset - Tires	\$0.00
Other Current Assets	\$379,584.22

Total Current Assets \$11,216,124.66

Fixed Assets \$22,329,691.06

Total Assets \$33,545,815.72

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$157,879.70
Payroll Liabilities	\$1,182,479.94
Contracts	\$0.00
Due to Illinois Funds Account	\$0.00
Deferred Revenue	\$254,035.75
Deficit Funding Advance	\$0.00

Total Liabilities \$1,594,395.39

EQUITY

Fixed Asset Equity	\$12,483,532.77
Unreserved Fund Equity	\$6,750,412.62
Underground Petroleum Storage	\$20,000.00

Total Equity \$19,253,945.39

Retained Earnings \$12,697,474.94

Total Liabilities & Equity \$33,545,815.72

Bloomington Normal Public Transit Income Statement With Approved Budget

From Fiscal Year: 2023	From Period 3	Division: 98 Operating Profit/Loss		As of: 9/30/2022
Thru Fiscal Year: 2023	Thru Period 3	Sep-2022	Jul-2022	Approved Budget
			Sep-2022	
Operating Revenue				
Passenger Fares	\$43,453.16	8.28%	\$134,339.49	\$525,000.00
ISU Contract Fare	\$48,670.68	8.17%	\$146,012.04	\$595,678.00
Other Contract Fares	\$16,498.19	9.48%	\$46,793.39	\$174,000.00
Advertising Revenue	\$12,458.33	10.83%	\$37,374.99	\$115,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$1,520.00	60.80%	\$2,816.24	\$2,500.00
Total Operating Revenue	\$122,600.36	8.68%	\$367,336.15	\$1,412,178.00
Operating Expenses				
Operators Wages	\$579,733.66	7.76%	\$1,727,824.79	\$7,475,429.00
Maintenance Wages	\$83,267.97	5.42%	\$245,200.02	\$1,536,370.00
Administration Wages	\$82,082.26	6.83%	\$249,870.79	\$1,201,253.00
Employer Payroll Tax Expense	\$57,164.67	6.88%	\$171,225.92	\$831,015.00
Retirement Plan	\$30,515.58	5.98%	\$91,649.90	\$510,654.00
Group Insurance	\$149,193.67	7.44%	\$442,325.15	\$2,006,474.00
Uniform Expense	\$2,032.75	3.29%	\$6,187.11	\$61,800.00
Professional Services	\$23,134.17	7.61%	\$79,897.31	\$304,000.00
Outside Repair-Labor	\$1,231.47	1.26%	\$7,739.28	\$97,500.00
Contract Maintenance Services	\$7,167.83	3.92%	\$20,613.09	\$182,976.00
Custodial Services	\$2,026.11	14.17%	\$4,480.59	\$14,300.00
Employee Recruiting/Testing/Temp Help	\$11,133.50	49.26%	\$40,447.54	\$22,600.00
Fuel	\$97,785.88	6.16%	\$272,294.08	\$1,588,418.00
Lubricants	\$4,669.08	5.15%	\$12,453.03	\$90,675.00
Tires	\$3,868.57	6.74%	\$15,481.99	\$57,436.00
Bus Repair Parts	\$38,653.76	9.17%	\$116,897.11	\$421,751.00
Other Materials & Supplies	\$3,539.38	4.32%	\$12,743.22	\$82,000.00
Shelters/Signs/Shop Tools	\$282.52	1.41%	\$1,114.72	\$20,000.00
Computer and Office Supplies	\$15,036.15	5.85%	\$53,284.82	\$257,213.00
Utilities	\$11,800.05	6.46%	\$30,724.68	\$182,720.00
Corporate Insurance	\$39,485.56	9.24%	\$113,976.73	\$427,480.00
Dues/Subscriptions/Fees	\$1,751.31	3.94%	\$16,397.72	\$44,500.00
Printing/Marketing/Training	\$25,173.84	7.26%	\$74,411.86	\$346,535.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,270,729.74	7.15%	\$3,807,241.45	\$17,763,099.00
Operating Assistance				
Operating Deficit Before Subsidies and Grants	(\$1,148,129.38)	7.02%	(\$3,439,905.30)	(\$16,350,921.00)
City of Bloomington Operating Assistance	\$63,333.33	8.33%	\$189,999.99	\$760,000.00
Town of Normal Operating Assistance	\$49,166.66	8.33%	\$147,499.98	\$590,000.00
Illinois Downstate Operating Assistance	\$819,342.00	7.10%	\$2,454,318.00	\$11,546,014.00
FTA 5307 Operating Assistance	\$201,726.00	5.84%	\$608,481.00	\$3,454,907.00
Total Operating Assistance	\$1,133,567.99	6.93%	\$3,400,298.97	\$16,350,921.00



		Fixed Route							
September 2022		Current Month	Prior Month	% Change	Month in Prior Year	% Change	Year to Date	Prior YTD	% Change
Total Ridership		217438	161459	34.67%	170387	27.61%	490122	440071	11.37%
Total Service Hours		9539	9261	3.00%	9028	5.66%	27183	26613	2.14%
Total Service Miles		117475	114360	2.72%	111502	5.36%	335562	332132	1.03%
# Operations Employees									
Operators									
Operators In Training									
# Maintenance Employees									
Mechanics									
# Administrative Employees									
# Revenue Vehicles		37	38	-2.63%	37	0.00%	39	38	2.63%
Total Miles/Revenue Vehicle		3175	3009	5.50%	3014	5.36%	8604	8740	-1.56%
SYSTEM: EFFICIENCIES									
Percent Farebox Recovery		9.69%	10.80%	-10.30%	11.78%	-17.78%	9.82%	11.47%	-14.32%
Subsidy/Passenger		\$4.04	\$5.36	-24.63%	\$4.64	-12.86%	\$5.37	\$5.52	-2.71%
Work Compensation Hours									
TRANSPORTATION: EFFICIENCIES									
Operator Pay Hours/Service Hours									
Percent Operator Overtime									
Percent Unscheduled Operator Absences									
TRANSPORTATION: EFFECTIVENESS									
Percent On-Time Trips		93%	94%	-1.06%	93%	0.00%	94%	94%	0.71%
Valid Complaints per 100K Passengers		0.00	1.86	-100.00%	0.59	-100.00%	0.82	1.14	-28.17%
Passenger Accidents/100K Passengers		2.76	0.00	*	1.76	56.72%	1.43	1.82	-21.44%
Vehicle Collisions/100,000 Miles		3.40	2.62	29.80%	1.79	89.83%	2.68	2.41	11.35%

	September 2022	Current Month	Prior Month	% Change	Month in Prior Year	% Change	Year to Date	Prior YTD	% Change
MAINTENANCE: EFFICIENCIES									
	Vehicle Maintenance Expense/Total Miles	\$0.84	\$0.76	10.59%	\$0.95	-11.15%	\$0.88	\$0.92	-4.15%
	Percent Maintenance Overtime								
	Parts Expense/Total Miles	\$0.31	\$0.22	39.43%	\$0.33	-6.48%	\$0.32	\$0.26	21.73%
MAINTENANCE: EFFECTIVENESS									
	Miles/Road Call	2183.90	2306.56	-5.32%	5899.72	-62.98%	2159.07	3239.22	-33.35%
	Actual/Scheduled Inspections	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%
	Average Bus Cleanliness Score								
GREEN TECHNOLOGY									
	Solar Energy Created (MWh)								
	Facility Electric Useage (MWh)								
	Facility Electric Costs								

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		Connect Mobility							
September 2022		Current Month	Prior Month	% Change	Month in Prior Year	% Change	Year to Date	Prior YTD	% Change
Total Ridership		8545	8374	2.04%	5823	46.75%	24479	17229	42.08%
Total Service Hours		3558	3753	-5.20%	2641	34.72%	10726	8066	32.98%
Total Service Miles		45197	45389	-0.42%	31791	42.17%	131393	94070	39.68%
# Operations Employees									
Operators									
Operators In Training									
# Maintenance Employees									
Mechanics									
# Administrative Employees									
# Revenue Vehicles		19	19	0.00%	18	5.56%	19	19	0.00%
Total Miles/Revenue Vehicle		2379	2389	-0.42%	1766	34.69%	6915	4951	39.68%
SYSTEM: EFFICIENCIES									
Percent Farebox Recovery		4.64%	4.72%	-1.63%	3.60%	29.05%	4.36%	4.29%	1.58%
Subsidy/Passenger		\$31.49	\$32.37	-2.72%	\$41.90	-24.85%	\$32.98	\$43.57	-24.30%
Work Compensation Hours									
TRANSPORTATION: EFFICIENCIES									
Operator Pay Hours/Service Hours									
Percent Operator Overtime									
Percent Unscheduled Operator Absences									
TRANSPORTATION: EFFECTIVENESS									
Percent On-Time Trips		98%	99%	-1.01%	97%	1.03%	98%	98%	0.00%
Valid Complaints per 100K Passengers		0.00	11.94	-100.00%	0.00	*	4.09	0.00	*
Passenger Accidents/100K Passengers		0.00	0.00	*	0.00	*	8.17	5.80	40.77%
Vehicle Collisions/100,000 Miles		0.00	4.41	-100.00%	3.15	-100.00%	3.81	3.19	19.32%

	September 2022	Current Month	Prior Month	% Change	Month in Prior Year	% Change	Year to Date	Prior YTD	% Change
MAINTENANCE: EFFICIENCIES									
	Vehicle Maintenance Expense/Total Miles	\$0.74	\$0.71	4.48%	\$1.13	-34.28%	\$0.73	\$0.98	-25.72%
	Percent Maintenance Overtime								
	Parts Expense/Total Miles	\$0.09	\$0.10	-5.88%	\$0.17	-46.98%	\$0.09	\$0.09	1.38%
MAINTENANCE: EFFECTIVENESS									
	Miles/Road Call	7448.00	46568.00	-84.01%	32528.00	-77.10%	9430.93	96519.00	-90.23%
	Actual/Scheduled Inspections	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%
	Average Bus Cleanliness Score								
GREEN TECHNOLOGY									
	Solar Energy Created (MWh)								
	Facility Electric Useage (MWh)								
	Facility Electric Costs								

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		System Totals							
September 2022		Current Month	Prior Month	% Change	Month in Prior Year	% Change	Year to Date	Prior YTD	% Change
	Total Ridership	225983	169833	33.06%	176210	28.25%	514601	457300	12.53%
	Total Service Hours	13097	13014	0.63%	11669	12.23%	37909	34679	9.32%
	Total Service Miles	162672	159749	1.83%	143293	13.52%	466955	426202	9.56%
	# Operations Employees	111	112	-0.89%	104	6.73%	114	108	5.56%
	Operators	91	91	0.00%	87	4.60%	93	91	2.20%
	Operators In Training	2	0	*	1	100.00%	2	4	-50.00%
	# Maintenance Employees	18	17	5.88%	20	-10.00%	20	21	-4.76%
	Mechanics	7	5	40.00%	8	-12.50%	8	9	-11.11%
	# Administrative Employees	14	14	0.00%	14	0.00%	15	14	7.14%
	# Revenue Vehicles	56	57	-1.75%	55	1.82%	58	57	1.75%
	Total Miles/Revenue Vehicle	5554	5398	2.88%	4780	16.19%	15520	13691	13.35%
SYSTEM: EFFICIENCIES									
	Percent Farebox Recovery	8.55%	9.42%	-9.22%	9.96%	-14.22%	8.59%	9.86%	-12.88%
	Subsidy/Passenger	\$5.08	\$6.70	-24.12%	\$5.87	-13.46%	\$6.68	\$6.95	-3.88%
	Work Compensation Hours	24	0	*	176	-86.36%	24	536	-95.52%
TRANSPORTATION: EFFICIENCIES									
	Operator Pay Hours/Service Hours	130.50%	130.31%	0.15%	134.90%	-3.26%	133.01%	141.07%	-5.72%
	Percent Operator Overtime	7.66%	4.82%	58.97%	5.29%	44.73%	5.28%	5.35%	-1.23%
	Percent Unscheduled Operator Absences	4.43%	5.78%	-23.34%	6.03%	-26.50%	5.24%	8.01%	-34.52%
TRANSPORTATION: EFFECTIVENESS									
	Percent On-Time Trips								
	Valid Complaints per 100K Passengers	0.00	2.36	-100.00%	0.57	-100.00%	0.97	1.09	-11.14%
	Passenger Accidents/100K Passengers	2.66	0.00	*	1.70	55.95%	1.75	1.97	-11.14%
	Vehicle Collisions/100,000 Miles	2.46	3.13	-21.44%	2.09	17.45%	3.00	2.58	16.17%

	September 2022	Current Month	Prior Month	% Change	Month in Prior Year	% Change	Year to Date	Prior YTD	% Change
MAINTENANCE: EFFICIENCIES									
	Vehicle Maintenance Expense/Total Miles	\$0.81	\$0.75	8.94%	\$0.99	-17.86%	\$0.84	\$0.93	-10.27%
	Percent Maintenance Overtime	9.12%	5.94%	53.68%	4.25%	114.78%	7.77%	4.67%	66.53%
	Parts Expense/Total Miles	\$0.25	\$0.19	32.78%	\$0.29	-15.90%	\$0.25	\$0.22	13.67%
MAINTENANCE: EFFECTIVENESS									
	Miles/Road Call	2,738.02	3,237.92	-15.44%	7,301.21	-62.50%	2,772.36	4,144.84	-33.11%
	Actual/Scheduled Inspections	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%
	Average Bus Cleanliness Score	*	0.00%	*	83.93%	*	*	83.92%	*
GREEN TECHNOLOGY									
	Solar Energy Created (MWh)	34.85	30.81	13.11%	*	*	97.35	*	*
	Facility Electric Useage (MWh)	35.28	31	13.81%	14.2	148.45%	92.83	90.6	2.46%
	Facility Electric Costs	5657.67	4670.95	21.12%	2079.22	172.11%	14968.95	10397.89	43.96%

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Federal Update for Connect Transit

Prepared by Cardinal Infrastructure

October 20, 2022

Congressional Update

The House passed a short-term government funding bill providing appropriations through December 16, 2022. President Biden signed the Continuing Resolution hours before a shutdown would've kicked in at midnight on September 30th. The lower chamber cleared the measure in a 230-201 vote, with only 10 Republicans supporting it. The funding bill also provides billions in additional Ukraine aid and disaster relief.

The temporary funding package buys time for congressional negotiations on a broader government spending deal that would increase agency budgets in the new fiscal year, which began October 1. But much hinges on the outcome of the elections, which will determine the makeup of Congress in 2023, including how both parties want to flex their leverage in spending talks.

The U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate are on recess until after the midterm elections on November 8. Once back in session, Congress will resume work on a number of pending items they need to complete before the end of the calendar year. With the continuing resolution to fund government operations and programs set to expire December 16, the FY23 spending package is at the top of the list. Senate Appropriations Chair and Ranking Member, Senators Leahy and Shelby are retiring at the end of the year and hope to finish their last spending bill on a strong note. Additionally, Congress will aim to wrap up the annual National Defense Authorization Act beginning with a procedural vote during the October recess where the relevant Committee Chairs, Senators Reed and Inhofe will return to DC to officially move onto the bill setting it up for consideration when members return in November. Senator Manchin's permitting proposal and additional hurricane disaster relief funding are also on the priority list. Lastly, relevant committee staff will use the October recess to finalize negotiations on the biennial Water Resources Development Act of 2022 to reauthorize U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' programs. It will be a busy November and December!

Over the Congressional recess, we will continue to monitor and share Federal agency activities along with news regarding implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Inflation Reduction Act, and CHIPS and Science Act, among others. For example:

- [USDOT Thriving Communities Program](#)
- [USDOT Marine Highway Project Awards](#)
- [USDOT Infrastructure Financing Measures](#)
- [DOE Publishes Clean Energy FOA](#)
- [IRS Fact Sheet and Requests for Comment on Climate and Energy Tax Incentives](#)
- Following enactment of the CHIPS Act, [Intel](#), [Micron](#), and [Qualcomm and GlobalFoundries](#) have already made announcements to expand semiconductor manufacturing in the US.

BIL Implementation

On September 21, the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works held a hearing on state and local perspectives of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). Witnesses included Nicole Majeski, Delaware Secretary of Transportation (home State of the Committee Chair); Jimmy Wriston, West Virginia Department of Transportation (home State of the Ranking Member); Regine Romero,

Mayor of Tucson; and Jim Tymon, head of AASHTO and former House T&I staffer. Tymon and Wriston highlighted concerns with the emphasis of funding in discretionary grants (available to state and locals) in BIL, which has resulted in a complex application process across numerous existing and new grant programs. Under the first year of BIL and FY22 appropriations, US DOT is responsible for administering \$28 billion in discretionary grants, compared to \$5 billion the previous year. However, BIL also significantly increased the formula funding levels for highway and transit programs.

States prefer the flexibility of formula programs (largely available to only state DOTs). Mayor Romero said he has not found the application process overly cumbersome but did mention the city has had to hire consultants to help navigate the grant programs. Secretary Majeski similarly noted that Delaware has turned to consultants for assistance while acknowledging the large amount of work required for grant applications.

EV Charging Formula Grants Awarded

All 50 states along with Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico had their electric vehicle charging plans approved by DOT, allowing for the disbursement of \$1.5 billion to begin building out a nationwide EV charging network as envisioned by the infrastructure law. Ultimately, DOT approved every plan after earlier approving 35 plans, despite some states arguing that their drivers don't use EVs and that the money would be better spent elsewhere.

Secretary Buttigieg said the approval ensures “every part of the country — from the largest cities to the most rural communities — can be positioned to unlock the savings and benefits of electric vehicles.” The \$1.5 billion in formula funding to states will be doled out in fiscal 2022 and fiscal 2023 for chargers intended to cover about 75,000 miles of highways. In total, the infrastructure law provides \$5 billion for the next five years to build and maintain a nationwide EV charging network.

DOE State Energy Program

The Department of Energy (DOE) has [announced](#) funding levels for the "State Energy Program" (SEP) to expand state clean energy programs. DOE is currently accepting applications from states and the list of eligible projects is *quite flexible*. This is a **formula grant program**, and each state's allocated amounts can be found [here](#).

It may be worthwhile for you to connect with your state energy office to determine if any activities or buildings that you own could be eligible for some of this funding. Per DOE, SEP funding affords states broad flexibility to finance a range of activities and projects, such as: Installation of renewable energy systems and clean energy infrastructure; Innovative clean energy technology demonstration projects; Energy efficiency upgrades; Clean energy financing programs; Critical planning for clean energy and workforce development programs. **The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law expanded the list of eligible projects and specifically included transportation efficiency and electrification.**

Examples of previous projects that were funded through the program include:

- In [Maryland](#), a partnership with IKEA to install a solar canopy and EV chargers in parking lots
- In [Kentucky](#), the creation of a solar project siting tool
- In [Wisconsin](#), improving energy security and resiliency for local and tribal governments
- In [Arizona](#), completing critical energy efficiency upgrades to a city-owned building
- In [Wyoming](#), distributing funds to local governments and businesses for efficiency upgrades

Click [here](#) for more resources from DOE's state and local solution center.

EV Tax Credit

U.S. lawmakers passed and Biden signed a provision in the Inflation Reduction Act that most legal experts see as an obvious violation of international trade rules. The new tax credit for U.S. buyers of qualifying electric vehicles made in North America has ignited the specter of a trade war as a domestic imperative of the Biden administration and Democrats collides with the complex realities of globalization. European Commission spokeswoman Miriam Garcia Ferrer said, “we think that it’s discriminatory, that it’s discriminating against foreign producers in relation to U.S. producers,” calling the credits a “new, potential, trans-Atlantic trade barrier.” “Of course this would mean that it would be incompatible with the WTO,” she said.

Buy America

Three key House Transportation Committee Republicans are asking DOT’s inspector general to investigate the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority’s compliance with FTA Buy America requirements with regard to a railcar procurement from the state-owned China Railway Rolling Stock MA Corporation. The \$138 million contract was awarded in 2017 and its initial delivery date of 2019 was pushed back to 2023.

Chairman DeFazio Letter

Chairman DeFazio, of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee sent a letter to FTA Administrator Fernandez expressing concerns over enforcement of the provisions prohibiting transit agencies from purchasing rolling stock from Chinese manufacturers. Specifically, the chairman is calling for FTA to implement enhanced oversight of State Owned Enterprises doing business with transit agencies, particularly those agencies that were exempt from the original legislation.

The letter suggests steps to be taken by FTA. “Such oversight standards could include recommendations to conduct additional audits beyond the currently mandated pre-award and post-delivery audits, as I understand has been done by one exempt transit agency in the past; practices for deeper vetting and verification of component and subcomponent cost and origin data; and other oversight enhancements as identified by FTA. While thorough Buy America compliance reviews are critical for all federally-funded procurements, they take on even greater significance for transit agencies purchasing rolling stock from entities that are intent on gaming the system and undermining legitimate competition. While transit agencies may be inclined to assume good faith by manufacturers in most of their procurements, this assumption should not be extended to predatory SOEs. FTA issuing a set of targeted oversight standards specifically for SOE procurements could help transit agencies ensure SOE compliance with Buy America until such time as Congress can fully prohibit transit agencies from making such procurements with federal funds.”

APTA

APTA’s TRAMSform conference was held in Seattle, WA October 9-11. Leaders representing all facets of the public transportation industry converged at APTA’s TRANSform Conference this week in Seattle,

WA. Hosted by King County Metro, the event was APTA's largest ever annual conference, with more than 3,000 attendees and 135 exhibitors.

TRANSform began with the Opening General Session Mon., Oct. 10 . APTA President and CEO Paul P. Skoutelas welcomed attendees. APTA Chair Dorval R. Carter Jr., president, Chicago Transit Authority; and Immediate Past Chair Jeffrey A. Nelson, CEO/managing director, Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (Metrolink), Moline, IL, also gave remarks.

Terry White, general manager, King County Metro; Julie Timm, CEO, Sound Transit; King County Executive Dow Constantine; and Adiam Emery, director, transportation operations division, Seattle DOT, offered a welcome to the city. Veronique Hakim, senior vice president and national transit and rail market sector leader, HNTB Corporation, gave the sponsor remarks.

Francis “Buddy” Coleman, chief customer officer, Clever Devices Ltd, introduced keynote speaker Kal Penn, actor, writer, producer, and former associate director of the White House Office of Public Engagement.

The event included a General Session from FTA on Transit Workforce Solutions with FTA Administrator Nuria Fernandez, and an FRA Listening Session and Update with FRA Administrator Amit Bose and Deputy Administrator Jennifer Mitchell.

APTA Legislative Committee Meeting

The Legislative Committee heard from Paul Kincaid, Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs regarding current actions before Congress. He recapped the funding levels from the IIJA, particularly the large increases in funding for bus procurement and CIG. He emphasized the Buy America provisions as benefiting American workers and manufacturers. He brought attention to the flexibility available for transit agencies to use FHWA funds for some projects and encouraged everyone to visit the [Flex Funding Website](#).

Kincaid also discussed the status of FY 2022 appropriations and the fact the current CR expires on December 16th. With passage of an omnibus appropriations bill in December the Department can move forward with FY 23 discretionary programs.

He announced the White House, DOT, EPA and Corps of Engineers would be holding a Webinar on Accelerating Infrastructure projects on October 13th. The summit will address resources made available by the \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (*enacted November 2021*) as well as the \$739 billion Inflation Reduction Act (*enacted in August*) to rebuild roads, bridges, airports, rail and transit lines, and ports; expand access to high-speed internet; deploy clean energy; and strengthen the nation’s resilience to climate change.

Kincaid mentioned the supply chain challenges and said that FTA is working with Mayor Landrieu and the White House to find solutions. He is particularly aware of the shortage of cutaways.

Former U.S. Senator Doug Jones spoke about the challenges APTA and the transit industry face in the upcoming congress, especially if one or both houses were to change partisan control. He reminded all agencies of the importance of holding their Members of Congress’ feet to the fire and the need to invite their Member of Congress to see the infrastructure that is being put in place as a result of the IIJA.

Ward McCarragher – APTA Legislative Director

Ward provided an overview of the IIJA funding levels and the current status of the FY 23 Appropriations. Of the Covid Relief funding that was provided to transit agencies, 90% has been obligated and 70% outlayed. The FY 23 Appropriations bills differ in the amount of funding for the CIG program. The Senate is recommending \$4.11 Billion while the House has passed \$4.61 for CIG. These amounts will be reconciled in the final bill to be considered in December. He pointed out that there is a sizeable number of Republican Members of the House that oppose passage of any FY 23 Appropriations bill until next year when they hope to be in the majority.

The FTA and FRA have released notices of funding availability totaling \$5.3 billion so far, and they expect to release an additional \$7.6 billion. The remaining NOFO's are the Rail Vehicle Replacement and the Federal State Partnerships for Inter-City Passenger Rail programs.

The IRA contained extensions of the Clean Vehicle and Fuel Tax Credits as well as new climate and equity investments. The Commercial Clean Vehicle Tax Credit will apply to transit vehicles but APTA is awaiting Department of Treasury rules and guidance on implementation.

Ward also discussed the challenges facing the industry implementing the IIJA programs, including financial capacity, supply chain, inflation and workforce. The good news is that transit ridership has returned to 70% of pre-pandemic levels.

TO: Connect Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Cornerstone Government Affairs – Illinois Team
SUBJECT: Legislative Update
DATE: October 25, 2022

Summary

Over the past month, we have continued discussions with the Illinois Municipal League and Illinois Association of School Boards regarding potential strategies to address concerns with the Statement of Economic Interest form disclosures. We are currently gauging their interest in a grassroots campaign to address this issue. Additionally, we have continued our outreach to Rivian based on our previous discussions regarding the transfer center and are awaiting responses from their team.

Looking ahead to Veto Session, we expect to see the following issues at the forefront of discussions: reproductive rights legislation to protect providers performing abortions on out-of-state residents; amendments to the SAFE-T Act to clarify portions of the law and address controversial matters; potential changes to the Chicago elected school board legislation. We are also continuing to monitor for election or Lame Duck actions which could impact Connect Transit.

Bill Tracking

HB 398

Short Description: COMPLETE STREETS ACT

House Sponsors

Rep. Martin J. Moylan-Carol Ammons-Debbie Meyers-Martin-Katie Stuart and Ryan Spain

Senate Sponsors

(Sen. Steven M. Landek)

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Complete Streets Act. Requires the Department of Transportation to use federal or State funds allocated for transportation projects to improve safety, access, and mobility for users of the various modes of transportation. Creates the Complete Streets Advisory Board. Provides that the Governor shall appoint members representing various agencies, organizations, or interest groups to the Advisory Board. Provides that the Advisory Board, in coordination with a representative or representatives of the Department, shall prepare a report on the status of the implementation of the Complete Streets Initiative. Provides that the Advisory Board shall submit its initial report and recommendations to the Governor, the Department, and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2023, and annually on January 1 of each subsequent year. Defines the terms "Advisory Board", "Department", "multimodal", "multimodal planning or multimodal transportation planning", and "user or

users". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2021	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 1878

Short Description: INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGN BUILD

House Sponsors

Rep. Ryan Spain

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Innovations for Transportation Infrastructure Act. Contains a statement of legislative policy. Defines terms. Adds provisions governing: authorization of project delivery methods; preconditions to commencement of procurement; procurement; evaluation and selection of proposals; project records; confidentiality; public disclosure; design-build contracts; construction manager/general contractor contracts; funding and financing; minority, disadvantaged, and women-owned businesses; acquisition of property; federal requirements; powers of the Department of Transportation and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; and rulemaking. Makes corresponding changes in the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois; Illinois Finance Authority Act; the Illinois Procurement Code; the Public Construction Bond Act; the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act; the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act; the Toll Highway Act; the Eminent Domain Act; and the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the provisions of the Act are severable. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/27/2021	House	Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

HB 3125

Short Description: ELECTRIC VEHICLES

House Sponsors

Rep. Robyn Gabel-Barbara Hernandez-Deb Conroy-Mark L. Walker-Michael J. Zalewski, Kelly M. Cassidy, Ann M. Williams, Terra Costa Howard, Margaret Croke, Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz, Kathleen Willis, Will Guzzardi, Bob Morgan, Jaime M. Andrade, Jr., Joyce Mason and Dagmara Avelar

Senate Sponsors

(Sen. Sara Feigenholtz, Cristina Castro, Melinda Bush, Christopher Belt-Laura Fine and Jacqueline Y. Collins)

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Electric Vehicle Charging Act, which may be referred to as the Beneficial Electrification Act. Sets forth requirements for parking spaces that are electrical vehicle ready applicable to new or renovated residential or nonresidential buildings. Sets forth provisions concerning electric vehicle charging station policies for unit owners and renters. Amends the Electric Vehicle Act. Creates the Electric Vehicle Access for All Program to maximize opportunities for carbon-free transportation across the State, particularly targeting environmental justice and low-income communities and to provide grants to pilot programs with the purpose of bridging public transportation gaps between residences and employment locations. Sets forth provisions concerning administrative review and authorized expenditure of State-controlled funds to accelerate electric vehicle adoption. Amends the Public Utilities Act. Provides that no later than May 31, 2022, electric utilities serving greater than 500,000 customers in the State shall file a Beneficial Electrification Plan with the Illinois Commerce Commission. Provides for review of the plans by the Commission and establishes a system for utilities to consider specified businesses, nonprofit organizations, or worker-owned cooperatives when awarding bids. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Creates the Electric Vehicle Charging Act. Provides that the Act applies to new single-family homes and newly constructed or renovated multi-unit residential buildings that have parking spaces and are constructed or renovated after the effective date of the Act. Defines terms. Provides that a new single-family residence or a small multi-family residence shall have at least one electric vehicle capable parking space for each residential unit that has dedicated parking, unless any subsequently adopted building code requires additional electric vehicle capable parking spaces or installed EVSE. Includes electric vehicle parking space requirements for a new, large multi-family residential building or a large multi-family residential building being renovated by a developer converting the property to an association. Includes electric vehicle parking space requirements for affordable housing and for an existing multi-unit residential building subject to an association that undertakes renovation. Includes electric vehicle charging station policies for unit owners and for renters.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Removes language providing that "electric vehicle" does not mean electric motorcycles. Provides that "electric vehicle" does not include electric mopeds or electric off-highway vehicles.

House Floor Amendment No. 3

Provides that a new single-family residence or small multi-family residence that qualifies as an affordable housing development shall have one EV-capable parking space for each code-required parking space if the owner is issued a building permit 24 months after the effective date of the Act. Makes a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/10/2022	Senate	Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-9(b) / Referred to Assignments

HB 4489

Short Description: GATA-APPLICABILITY

House Sponsors

Rep. Jay Hoffman-Tim Butler, Jehan Gordon-Booth, Michael Halpin and Mark Luft

Senate Sponsors

(Sen. Scott M. Bennett-Christopher Belt-David Koehler-Steve Stadelman-Jil Tracy)

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Provides that the requirements established under the Act do not apply to awards, including capital appropriated funds, made by the Department of Transportation to units of local government for the purposes of surface transportation projects utilizing State and federal funds. Provides that the Act shall recognize that federal and federal pass-through awards from the Department of Transportation to units of local government are governed by and must comply with specified federal guidelines. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the requirements established under the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act do not apply to awards, including capital appropriated funds, made by the Department of Transportation to units of local government for the purposes of transportation (rather than surface transportation) projects utilizing State and federal funds.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Makes changes to the engrossed bill to provide that the requirements do not apply to awards made by the Department of Transportation to units of local government for the purposes of transportation projects utilizing State funds, federal funds, or both State and federal funds (rather than State and federal funds).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
6/10/2022	House	Public Act 102-1092

HB 4990

Short Description: IDOT-PUB TRANSPORT PARTICIPANT

House Sponsors

Rep. Jay Hoffman

Senate Sponsors

(Sen. Ram Villivalam and Steve Stadelman-Patricia Van Pelt)

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Downstate Public Transportation Act. Provides that no later than 180 days following the last day of a participant's fiscal year (rather than the State fiscal year) each participant shall provide the

Department of Transportation with an audit prepared by a Certified Public Accountant covering that fiscal year. Provides that upon the Department's final reconciliation determination that identifies a discrepancy between the Downstate Operating Assistance Program funds paid and the percentage of the eligible operating expenses which results in a reimbursement payment due to the Department, the participant shall remit the reimbursement payment to the Department no later than 90 days after written notification. Provides that funds received by the Department from participants for reimbursement as a result of an overpayment from a prior State fiscal year shall be deposited into the Downstate Public Transportation Fund in the fiscal year in which they are received and all unspent funds shall roll to following fiscal years. Provides that upon the Department's final reconciliation determination that identifies a discrepancy between the Downstate Operating Assistance Program funds paid and the percentage of the eligible operating expenses which results in a reimbursement payment due to the participant, the Department shall remit the reimbursement payment to the participant no later than 90 days after written notifications.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/13/2022	House	Public Act 102-0790

SB 2905

Short Description: INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGN BUILD

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Ram Villivalam-Thomas Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Innovations for Transportation Infrastructure Act. Contains a statement of legislative policy. Defines terms. Adds provisions governing: authorization of project delivery methods; preconditions to commencement of procurement; procurement; evaluation and selection of proposals; project records; confidentiality; public disclosure; design-build contracts; construction manager/general contractor contracts; funding and financing; minority, disadvantaged, and women-owned businesses; labor agreements; acquisition of property; federal requirements; powers of the Department of Transportation and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; and rulemaking. Makes corresponding changes in the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois; Illinois Finance Authority Act; the Illinois Procurement Code; the Public Construction Bond Act; the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act; the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act; the Toll Highway Act; the Eminent Domain Act; and the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the provisions of the Act are severable. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/25/2021	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 2981

Short Description: INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGN BUILD

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Ram Villivalam-Antonio Muñoz-Donald P. DeWitte

House Sponsors

(Rep. Marcus C. Evans, Jr.-Tim Butler, Elizabeth Hernandez, Eva Dina Delgado, Michael T. Marron and Ryan Spain)

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Innovations for Transportation Infrastructure Act. Contains a statement of legislative policy. Adds provisions governing: authorization of project delivery methods; preconditions to commencement of procurement; procurement; evaluation and selection of proposals; project records; confidentiality; public disclosure; design-build contracts; construction manager/general contractor contracts; funding and financing; minority, disadvantaged, and women-owned businesses; labor agreements; acquisition of property; federal requirements; powers of the Department of Transportation and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; and rulemaking. Makes corresponding changes in the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois; Illinois Finance Authority Act; the Illinois Procurement Code; the Public Construction Bond Act; the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act; the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act; the Toll Highway Act; the Eminent Domain Act; and the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the provisions of the Act are severable. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Changes the definition of "Progressive design-build project delivery method" to include the negotiations of the contract price can contain either a lump sum or a guaranteed maximum price (instead of either a lump sum or a guaranteed minimum price). Adds a provision that the Act shall be excepted from Illinois Public Contract Fraud Act. In provisions regarding the Illinois Department of Transportation or the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority offering to pay stipends, changes a provision allowing payment after the proposal has been released, but before the due date for proposals (instead of before the due date for proposals). In provisions regarding taxpayer accountability, adds a provision limiting the provisions to any project with an estimated cost over \$30,000,000. Removes provisions requiring the firm to be prequalified in Construction Inspection. Adds a provision requiring the implementation of a disadvantaged business enterprise program to include minority-owned and women-owned businesses and disadvantaged businesses when applicable under federal law. Adds provisions establishing a disadvantaged business enterprise liaison. Makes other changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
6/15/2022	Senate	Public Act 102-1094

SB 2983

Short Description: COVID-19 RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Darren Bailey

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the COVID-19 Religious Exemption Act. Provides that it shall be unlawful for any person, public or private institution, or public official to discriminate against any person in any manner because of such person's refusal to obtain, receive, or accept a COVID-19 vaccination contrary to his or her belief. Requires all health care facilities to adopt written access to care and information protocols that are designed to ensure that belief-based objections do not cause impairment of patients' health and that explain how belief-based objections will be addressed in a timely manner to facilitate patient care. Provides that it is unlawful for any public or private employer, entity, agency, institution, official, or person to deny admission because of, to place any reference in its application form concerning, to orally question about, to impose any burdens in terms or conditions of employment on, or to otherwise discriminate against, any applicant, in terms of employment, admission to or participation in any programs for which the applicant is eligible, or to discriminate in relation thereto, in any other manner, on account of the applicant's refusal to obtain, receive, or accept a COVID-19 vaccination that is against the applicant's beliefs. Provides that it is unlawful for any public official, guardian, agency, institution, or entity to deny any form of aid, assistance, or benefits, or to condition the reception in any way of any form of aid, assistance, or benefits, or in any other manner to coerce, disqualify, or discriminate against any person, otherwise entitled to such aid, assistance, or benefits, because that person refuses to obtain, receive, or accept a COVID-19 vaccination contrary to the person's belief. Allows any person injured by any public or private person, association, agency, entity, or corporation by reason of any action prohibited by the Act to bring an action. Provides that a person who brings an action shall recover threefold the actual damages, the costs of the action, and reasonable attorney's fees, but in no case shall recovery for each violation be less than \$2,500 plus costs of the action and reasonable attorney's fees. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/5/2022	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 3007

Short Description: SOS-DRIVERS OMNIBUS

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Ram Villivalam

House Sponsors

(Rep. Michael Kelly)

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the Secretary of State is authorized to suspend or revoke the driving privileges of any person without a preliminary hearing upon a showing of the person's records or other sufficient evidence that the person has committed an out-of-State offense similar to the Illinois prohibition on the unlawful use of a license, has possessed cannabis while under 21 years of age, or has provided false information about his or her age to a cannabis establishment.

Provides that driver rehabilitation specialists or programs are permitted to give driving instruction without being issued a license, except when the client of the specialist or program has never held a driver's license. Changes the implementation date concerning changes to the Secretary of State's requirements regarding the posting of certain information to the Commercial Driver's License Information System from June 22, 2021 to June 23, 2025. Provides that an individual shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life if that individual uses a commercial motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving an act or practice of severe forms of human trafficking. Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides requirements concerning probate court notifications to the Secretary of State in limited and plenary guardianship cases.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Removes language providing that: if the court makes a finding that the respondent should not hold a driver's license, the clerk of the court shall provide a copy of the written order of limited guardianship to the Secretary of State; and if the court provides the guardian with the power to determine if the respondent may hold a driver's license, upon the guardian making a determination that the respondent should not hold a driver's license, the guardian shall notify the Secretary of State. Provides instead that when a court adjudges a respondent to be a person with a disability and appoints a plenary guardian for that person or enters an order finding that the respondent should not operate a motor vehicle, the court shall direct the circuit court clerk to notify the Secretary of State's Driver Services Department, in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of State, and shall forward a copy of the court order to the Secretary of State's Driver Services Department no later than 7 days after the entry of the order.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/6/2022	Senate	Public Act 102-0749

SB 3626

Short Description: SOLID WASTE SITE OPERATOR

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Melinda Bush-Dale Fowler

House Sponsors

(Rep. Lawrence Walsh, Jr.)

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Solid Waste Site Operator Certification Law. Creates a Solid Waste Site Operator Certification. Removes provisions concerning Class "A" and Class "B" Solid Waste Site Operator Certification. Provides that the Environmental Protection Agency is authorized to approve the use of examinations conducted by third parties. Provides that the Agency shall maintain on its website information regarding the examinations. Provides that at the time of certificate renewal, the applicant shall certify the completion of 30 hours of continuing education covering the operation of landfills during the preceding 3 years. Provides that the fee for the issuance or renewal of a Solid Waste Site Operator Certificate shall be \$1,000. Provides that if the fee for renewal is not paid within the grace period, the fee for renewal shall be increased by \$100 (rather than \$50). Makes other changes.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Replaces everything after the enacting clause with the provisions of the introduced bill and makes the following changes. Provides that a landfill site that accepts non-hazardous solid waste shall have a Solid Waste Site Operator Certification (rather than a Class A or a Class B Solid Waste Site Operator Certification). Provides that a landfill site which accepts special waste shall have a Solid Waste Site Operator certified by the Environmental Protection Agency. Provides that solid waste site operators shall be certified based on level of competency determined by examination and in accordance with educational and experience level as follows: (1) graduation from high school or equivalent and not less than 2 years (rather than 6 months) of acceptable study, training, and responsible experience in sanitary landfill operation or management, or not less than 7 (rather than 3) years of acceptable study training and responsible experience in operation or management of earth moving equipment; or (2) grammar school completion or equivalent and not less than 15 (rather than 5) years of acceptable study, training, and responsible experience in sanitary landfill operation or management. Provides that at the time of certificate renewal the applicant shall certify the completion of 15 (rather than 30) hours of continuing education covering the operation of landfills during the preceding 3 years. Provides that continuing education used to satisfy continuing education requirements must be approved by the Agency and must cover the design, operation, and maintenance of sanitary landfills, and for certificates that include a special waste endorsement, continuing education must cover the operation of landfills relative to the acceptance and disposal of special wastes. Provides that the fee for a Solid Waste Site Operator Certificate shall be \$400 (rather than \$1,000) and provides that the fee for an issuance or renewal for special waste endorsements shall be \$100.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause with the provisions of the engrossed bill, and makes the following changes: Amends the Illinois Oil and Gas Act. Defines "temporary abandonment status". Provides that before engaging in the business of removing liquid oil field waste from an on-site collection point, the person shall apply for a permit with a fee of \$150 (instead of \$100). Provides that each application to transport oil field waste shall be accompanied by a biennial permit fee of \$150 (instead of \$100) for each vehicle sought to be licensed. Provides the requirements for application for temporary abandonment status. Provides the requirements for a permittee to conduct a fluid level test upon the fluid in the well bore. Provides the fees that the Department of Natural Resources shall assess for each well in temporary abandonment status. Provides that each application for a permit to drill, deepen, convert, or amend shall be accompanied by a fee of \$400 (rather than a fee not to exceed \$300). Provides that the fee for an application for a permit to oil lease road shall be \$150. Provides that the fees per well to be paid by the new owner for each transfer of well ownership shall be \$75 for the first 100 wells and \$50 for each subsequent well in excess of 100. Provides that the Department shall assess and collect annual well fees from each permittee in the amount of \$100 (instead of \$75) per well for the first 100 wells and a \$75 fee (instead of \$50) for each well in excess of 100 for which a permit is required under the Act.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause with the provisions of the engrossed bill, and makes the following changes: Amends the Illinois Oil and Gas Act. Defines "temporary abandonment status". Provides that before engaging in the business of removing liquid oil field waste from an on-site collection point, the person shall apply for a permit with a fee of \$150 (instead of \$100). Provides that

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Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/27/2022	Senate	Public Act 102-1017

General Legislative Updates

GOVERNOR’S HIGHLIGHTS:

COVID-19 Update: Governor Pritzker issued [Executive Order 2022-21](#) which reissues previous Executive Orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic through November 14, 2022. The updated executive order removes the weekly testing requirements for unvaccinated healthcare and long-term care workers. Face coverings are no longer required in all healthcare facilities but are still recommended in areas of high community transmission and the state will no longer mandate vaccines for long-term care and healthcare employees. Although the vaccine mandate has been removed on the state level, a federal rule from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services requiring vaccination for workers at Medicare/Medicaid-certified facilities remains in effect. The amended executive order does not impact vaccination and testing requirements for state employees at state-owned congregate facilities.

PACE Program: The Illinois Finance Authority is launching a statewide PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) program designed to spur investment in electric vehicle charging stations, energy efficiency, and water conservation, and to stimulate the growth of renewable energy and resilient building design throughout Illinois. The Illinois Finance Authority PACE program is designed to reduce costs, improve service delivery, and create uniformity in Illinois’ Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) financing market.

Under Illinois law, counties, cities, villages, and incorporated towns may create PACE areas at the request of for-profit and non-profit owners of commercial, industrial, and multi-family (of 5 or more units) properties. C-PACE financing can be used by owners and developers of commercial properties to finance or refinance eligible clean energy improvements in connection with the renovation of existing buildings and new construction, in each case up to 25% of the value of the property.

More information is [here](#).

Social Equity Infuser Licenses: The Illinois Department of Agriculture issued operational permits to two social equity infuser licensees: Krown, located in Pekin, and MME, Inc., located in Homewood. Read more [here](#).

Systemic Health Disparities: The Illinois Department of Public Health is awarding up to \$3.7 million to 18 different organizations across Illinois to address systemic health disparities that have been highlighted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The ARISE (Activating Relationships In Illinois for Systemic Equity) program is a federally funded joint initiative of IDPH’s Center for Minority Health Services and The Center for Rural Health, in collaboration with Well-being and Equity (WE) in the World.

The community coalitions will address inequities in mental, physical, and social well-being by connecting people to vaccinations, food, and other well-being needs. They will also address underlying community needs such as humane housing, reliable transportation, and the root causes of these inequities, including racism and poverty.

The complete listing of awardees is [here](#).

Lead Service Line Replacement Grants: The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is offering a new funding opportunity to assist communities in meeting the requirements outlined in the Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act. The Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI) Grant Program offers grants to local government units ranging from \$20,000 - \$50,000 to fund the creation of a complete lead service line inventory.

Applicants may request supplemental funding in the form of a low-interest loan through the Illinois EPA’s Public Water Supply Loan Program.

All applicants must pre-qualify through the [Grant Accountability and Transparency Act Grantee Portal](#). The LSLI NOFO, and all required forms and information, can be found [here](#). Applications for the LSLI Grant Program will be accepted through Noon on December 2, 2022.

IDOT’s Building Blocks of Success: The Illinois Department of Transportation is hosting free virtual workshops as part of its continuing Building Blocks of Success series for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise firms interested in strengthening their skills, growing their business and bidding on state projects. New and existing DBEs, as well as firms interested in becoming certified in the program, are invited. More information on the workshops is [here](#).

Mortgage Assistance: Eligible homeowners financially impacted by the pandemic are eligible for up to \$30,000 in mortgage assistance through the Illinois Homeowner Assistance Fund. Applications open November 1 and close on January 1, 2023. Application, program information and updates can be found at illinoishousinghelp.org. Read more [here](#).

Gubernatorial Appointments: The Governor made the following appointments:

- Nina Harris will serve as a Member on the Illinois Commission on Equity and Inclusion.
- Erin Alexander will serve as a Member on the Firearm Owner’s Identification Card Review Board.

- Ramon Moore will serve as a Member on the Firearm Owner’s Identification Card Review Board.
- Yanajaha Kafi Moragne-Patterson will serve as a Member on the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission.

ELECTION UPDATE:

On Friday, a federal judge issued a preliminary injunction blocking provisions of two recently enacted laws that limit contributions in judicial races. The first provision prohibits judicial candidate committees from receiving any contributions from an out-of-state person. The second caps the amount that any independent expenditure committee established to support or oppose a judicial candidate can receive from any single source during an election cycle at \$500,000. The plaintiffs argued the provisions violate their free speech and sought to preliminarily enjoin the defendants from enforcing these two provisions during the upcoming November 8, 2022 election, a permanent injunction to the same effect for future election cycles, and a declaratory judgment that these two provisions are unconstitutional.

U.S. District Judge John Tharp Jr. ruled that the plaintiffs “have some likelihood of success” in proving their case that the laws are unconstitutional and should be overturned. He went on to say “the ban on out-of-state contributions will likely be more effective in preserving the status quo of the state’s judiciary than in enhancing its appearance of integrity.”

The ruling will impact contributions in two hotly contested Supreme Court races that could determine the balance of power on the state’s high court.



MEMO

DATE: October 25, 2022

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Aubrey Staton, Marketing Manager

CC: David Braun, General Manager

Subject: Recommendation for Zero-Fare for Veterans and Active Military Personnel

Recommendation:

Authorize the General Manager to establish the "Star Pass" program that will allow zero-fare rides to all Veterans and active military personnel.

Background:

Veteran's Day is celebrated on November 11 each year. This year, Connect Transit would like to further celebrate by introducing the Star Pass program. The program is a demonstration of Connect Transit's mission to provide access to opportunity, strengthen & enrich people's lives in our community, and is our way of saying, "Thank you for your service," to the men and women who have served to protect our freedom. The Star Pass provides qualified active U.S. military and U.S. military Veterans with free, unlimited rides on all Connect Transit provided transportation services.

Discussion:

To further show Connect Transit's commitment to supporting our community's Veterans, Connect Transit is planning to meet Veterans where they are on Veteran's Day. The community bus will be outfitted as a mobile pass unit and travel to locations like the VA and VFW. This will serve as an educational opportunity as well, to inform the public about this new program.

Financial Impact:

The estimated financial impact is minimal.

Star Pass – Active-Duty Military and Military Veterans Pass Program

Purpose:

The Connect Transit “Star Pass” is zero-free pass for military Veterans and active-duty military personnel. The program is a demonstration of Connect Transit’s mission to provide access to opportunity, strengthen & enrich people’s lives in our community and is our way of saying “Thank you for your service” to the men and women who have served to protect our freedom. The Star Pass provides qualified active U.S. military and U.S. military Veterans with free, unlimited rides on all Connect Transit provided transportation services.

Eligibility:

- Active-duty Military Personnel
- Military Veterans (Including National Guard & Reserves)

Confirmation/Verification Process:

Eligible participants will need to complete a simple application. Applications must be submitted in-person at the Connect Transit offices located at 351, Wylie Dr., Normal, IL 61761 open Monday – Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Offices are closed for major holidays.

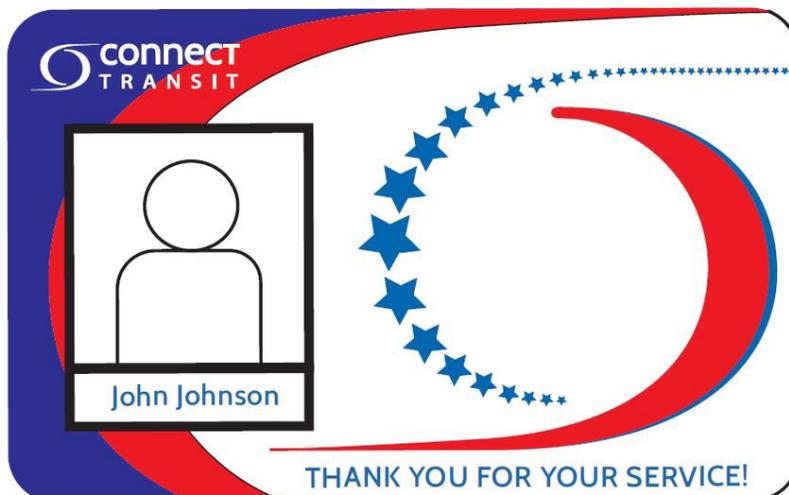
Once you have completed the application, show one of the following to confirm eligibility:

- Active, Guard, Reserve, or Retired military ID card (not expired).
- State of Illinois ID card or Driver’s License with “Veteran” status.
- State of Illinois ID card or Driver’s License and a copy of your DD Form 214

Once approved, Connect Transit staff will take your photo and issue your card within minutes.

Pass:

Eligible participants will receive a Star Pass. The pass will be a swipe-card that will need to be swiped through the farebox upon boarding for each trip. Below is an example of what the Star Pass will look like.



Alternative Distribution:

For agencies or groups serving Veterans, please contact Connect Transit to schedule a time to come to your facility to provide passes. If space allows, we can set-up our intake and pass process in your facility. If not, we are happy to set up in our Community Bus on-site or near your operation.

Participant Application

I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information on this application is true and correct.

I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in my eligibility status being terminated.

I understand that I must have an active or Veteran military status to be eligible for the zero-fare Star Pass.

To be considered for Connect Transit's Star Pass, I understand that I must present the following supplemental document(s) in person:

- Active, Guard, Reserve, or Retired military ID card (not expired)
- State of Illinois ID card or Driver's License with "Veteran" status
- State of Illinois ID card or Driver's License and a copy of your DD Form 214

I understand that the information on this application will be kept confidential by the professionals involved in evaluating my eligibility.

I understand that Connect Transit may share appropriate information with coordinating non-profit or government agencies.

I understand that the Star Pass is non-transferable to others.

I understand that Connect Transit reserves the right to determine eligibility based on local, state, and federal guidelines.

I understand that the Star Pass must be verified by the farebox to be eligible for the zero-fare on Connect Transit services.

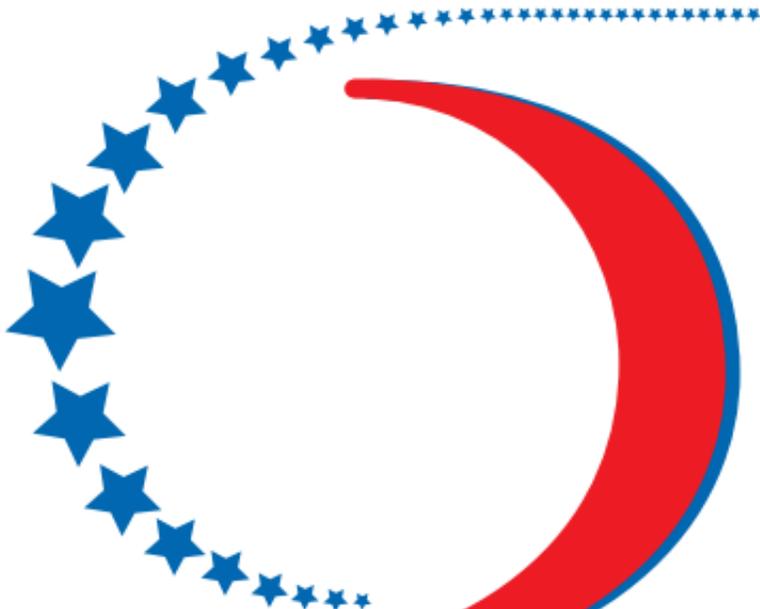
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!



MEMO

DATE: October 25, 2022
TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Aubrey Staton, Marketing Manager
CC: David Braun, General Manager
Subject: Resuming Zero Fare System on Election Days

Background:

Prior to COVID-19, Connect Transit operated at zero fare on Election Days to increase opportunity for those in our community to express their right to vote. Research from 2021 says that the lack of personal transportation can correlate to a drop in voter turnout by 20%. While it can't be for certain that lack of transportation is the sole reason for not voting, we hope to lower the barrier that transportation causes.

Discussion:

Connect Transit believes that transportation should not be a barrier to access polling places. As a result, this year will resume our offer of zero fare rides across the entire system on November 8, 2022.

Financial Impact:

This will result in the loss of one day worth of fares.