

Board Budget WorkshopMarch 2024



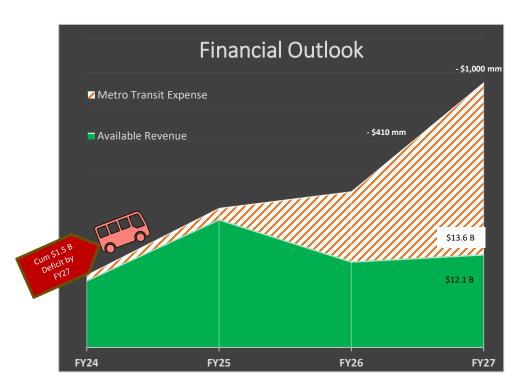


Why We Are Here



Refresher: Financial Outlook in October 2023







Reduced Revenue



Growth in Operating Costs



Planned Major Investment in CIP



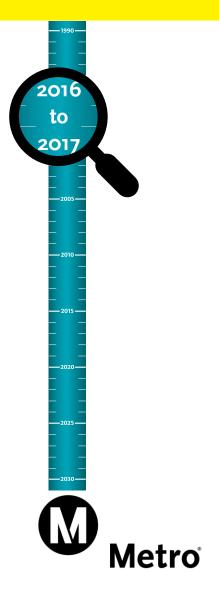




How Did We Get Here



Measure M





Measure M: Collaborative Expansion Plan

Measure M Sales Tax

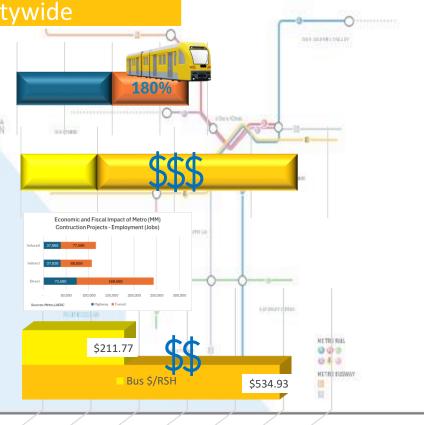
Continues Measure R on its path to accelerate Expansion of Transit Network Countywide

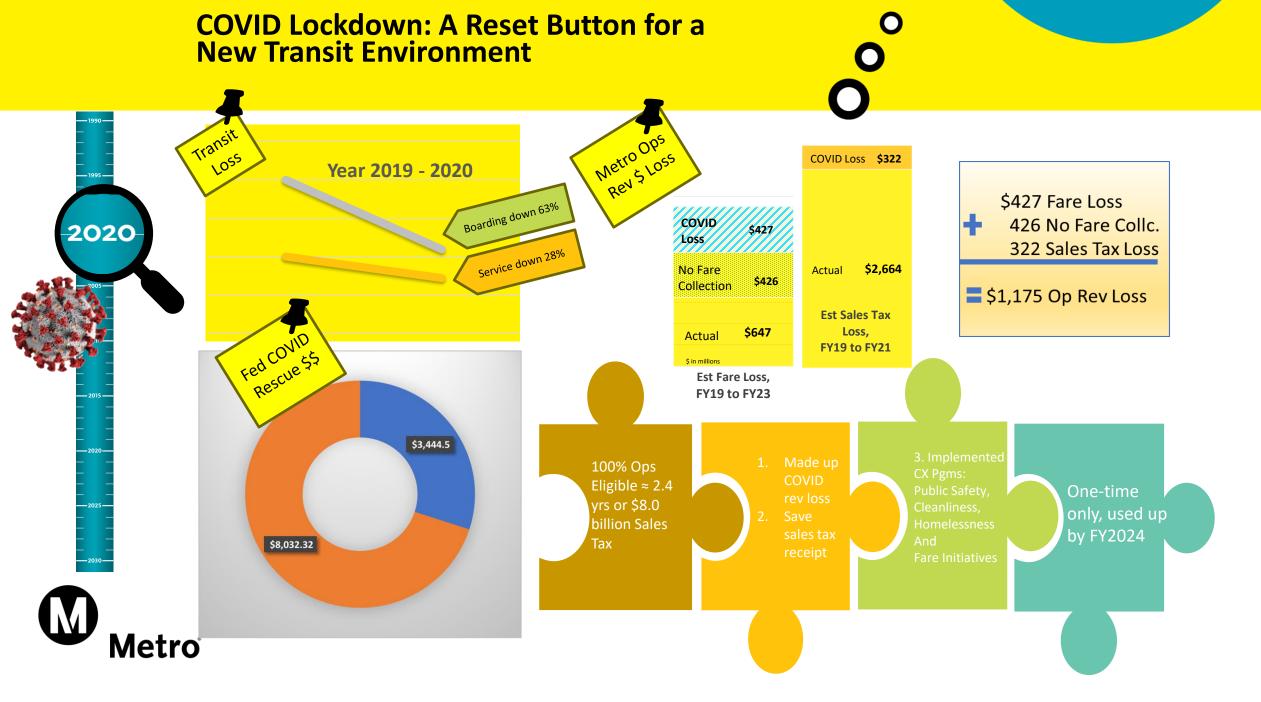
Since Measure R and Measure M, Metro Rail miles adds 80%, or 61 miles, by 2028

Metro Transit Assets grow by 261%, from \$5.3 billion to an est. \$21 billion by 2027

Creates 465k + Local Employment/Jobs

However, Rail Service is more expensive to operate than Bus Service





Restore, Expand and Enhance



2020

2021 to 2024

2022-

2023-

-2024

-2025 -

2026

Restored & Improved Pre-pandemic Service Levels



- Restored Bus Service
- Bus Stop & Subway Station Improvements
- Implemented NextGen Service Improvements

Service Hours FY22 6.50M FY23 7.09M FY24 7.12M

\$1.371B 3 yrs.

New Programs to Improve Customer Experience



- Expanded Cleaning Program
- Expanded Homeless & Mental Outreach
- Launched Metro Ambassador Program
- Refocused Metro Security & Law Enforcement Deployment

FY22 \$432.6M FY23 \$481.8M FY24 \$536.8M

Fare Initiatives Made Transit More Affordable

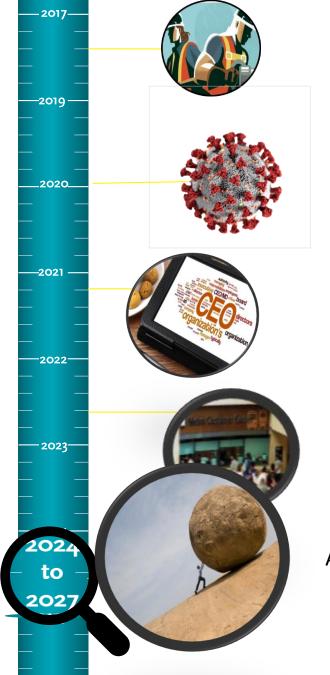


- LIFE Program Enhancements
- Launched GoPass
- Fare Capping & Mobility Wallet

FY22 \$26.7M FY23 \$42.6M FY24 \$67.8M



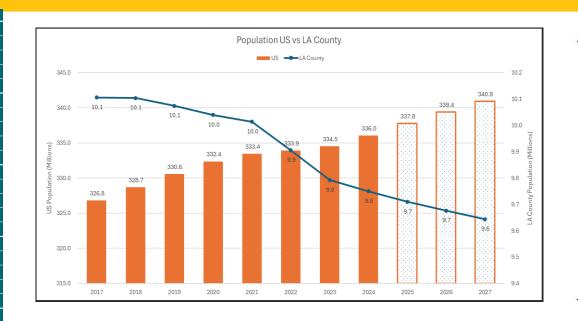
- K-Line in South Los Angeles and Inglewood
- Regional Connector in Downtown LA
- Expanded dedicated bus lanes 51 miles

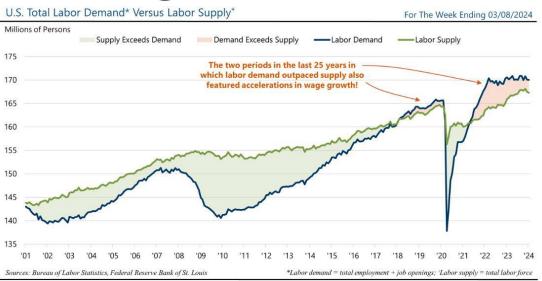


2026

An Uphill Climb:







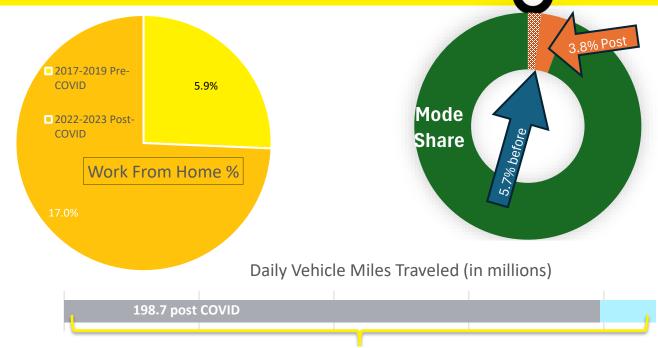
An Uphill Climb: Population decline, Limited Labor Supply

- Population:
 - LA County: -3.1% 2016 to 2022; projected to decline by 0.36% annually to 9.6 million by 2027
 - US: +2.4% 2016 to 2022, projected to increase to 342.5 million by 2027
 - Lowers LA sales tax receipts, tightens labor supply, and reduces transit ridership base
- (Labor supply < Labor demand) = wage growth
- Volatile inflation, between 2.4% to 6.5% month to month in short succession since 2022.
- Creates unpredictable cost increase pressure to procure materials, supplies and services
- Revenue loss and cost increases are greater than originally anticipated





Ridership and Travel Behavior Trends O





Ridership remains below pre-COVID due to post pandemic travel behavior:

- 3x more working from home
- Mode Share (Commute) decreasing from 5.7% to 3.8%
- Daily VMT daily reduced by 9.4%
- LA drivers license rate increase from 83% to 86% for eligible residents

Areas of Ridership growth opportunity:

- Customer experience improvements
- Opening additional rail lines
- Weekend services
- Service enhancements in select geographic regions



Near Term Financial Update to Five Year Outlook by FY29



Resources

Grant

- COVID rescue \$ exhausted
- Grant procedure changed (CMAQ, IIJA) or halted (REAP 2.0)

Sales Tax

- Lower actual sales tax receipts
- Gradual population loss



work and travel behavior

Sales Tax



Reimagined Public

Safety

 Station Initiatives/Ambassador

Expense

 Homelessness and Opioid Epidemic



- GoPass: \$18 million
- LIFE: \$12 to \$34 million
- Fare Capping: \$17 million
- Increases Cost of on-going operation caused by high inflation
- Rail operating is more expensive at 27.5% annual increase rate
- Capital Improvement update in Bus/Rail Vehicles

Enhanced CX

Fare **Initiatives Costs**

> **Inflation** & **Expanded** Rail Network



Loss of Transit base:

Change in post pandemic

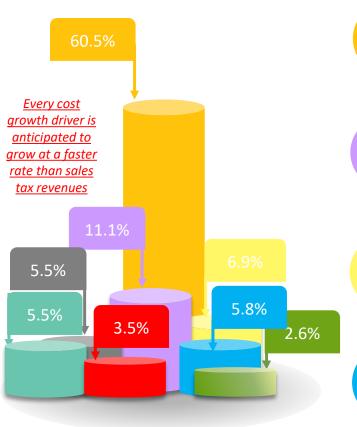


2027

Metro Transit Near Term Projected Outlook FY24 - FY29



% Growth FY24 to FY29



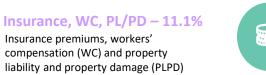


Metro's accelerated Board goal of achieving a zero-emission fleet by 2030 puts further strain on funding needs for maintaining existing assets in a state of good repair



Cleaning – 5.5%

Station Innovation Experience & Strategy



Labor Costs – 5.5%

Union labor costs have had a historical growth of 5.6% per year from FY12-FY24 while average CPI increase over the same period has been 2.8%



Public Safety – 6.9%

Operations costs

Insurance premiums, workers'

compensation (WC) and property

costs make up 8% of total Metro

Public safety costs make up 12% of total Metro Operations with law enforcement costs as the biggest driver (about 61% of total Public Safety)



Cost Inflation – 3.5%

Metro preliminary cost inflation projection



Service including Expansion – 5.8%

At least one major rail opening per year for next 5 years leading up to the Olympics.





Sales Tax - 2.6%

Economy is volatile and sales tax revenues may decline

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Consent Decree
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 Metro is undergoing a major rail expansion with the anticipated opening of Foothill Phase 2B, Airport Metro Connector, Purple Line Extensions 1, 2, and 3

of integrated regional

FY25 FY26 FY27 FY28 FY29
O&M Cost of the Service Expansion

"MTA Loses the Latest
Round in Bus Battle - Los
Angeles Times
(latimes.com)"





What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

- A. Chocolate
- B. Vanilla
- C. Strawberry
- D. Coffee
- E. Pistachio



PULSE CHECK



In 2018 the Board adopted Vision 2028 with five goals. Which of these is most important to you? You can only choose one.

- A. Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling.
- B. Deliver outstanding trip experiences for all users of the transportation system.
- C. Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity.
- D. Transform LA County through regional collaboration and national leadership.
- E. Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization.

