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NVTTC: Northern Virginia's Regional Transit Commission

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NVTC was founded in 1964 to represent the interests of Virginia in the establishment of Metrorail. Fifty-eight years on, our commitment to WMATA - and transit in our region - continues to be strong



Funds and stewards NoVa's investments in WMATA (Metrorail, Metrobus, MetroAccess) and Virginia Railway Express



Manages state and regional funding for five jurisdictional bus systems



Works across jurisdictional boundaries to develop regional public transit strategies and policies - from fare structures to zero emission transit



Administers the Commuter Choice Program, using toll revenues to support more transit along I-66 Inside the Beltway and I-395/I-95 Express Lanes

Northern Virginia's Integrated Transit Network

8

Coordinated transit systems

250+

Bus, commuter rail, and Metrorail routes

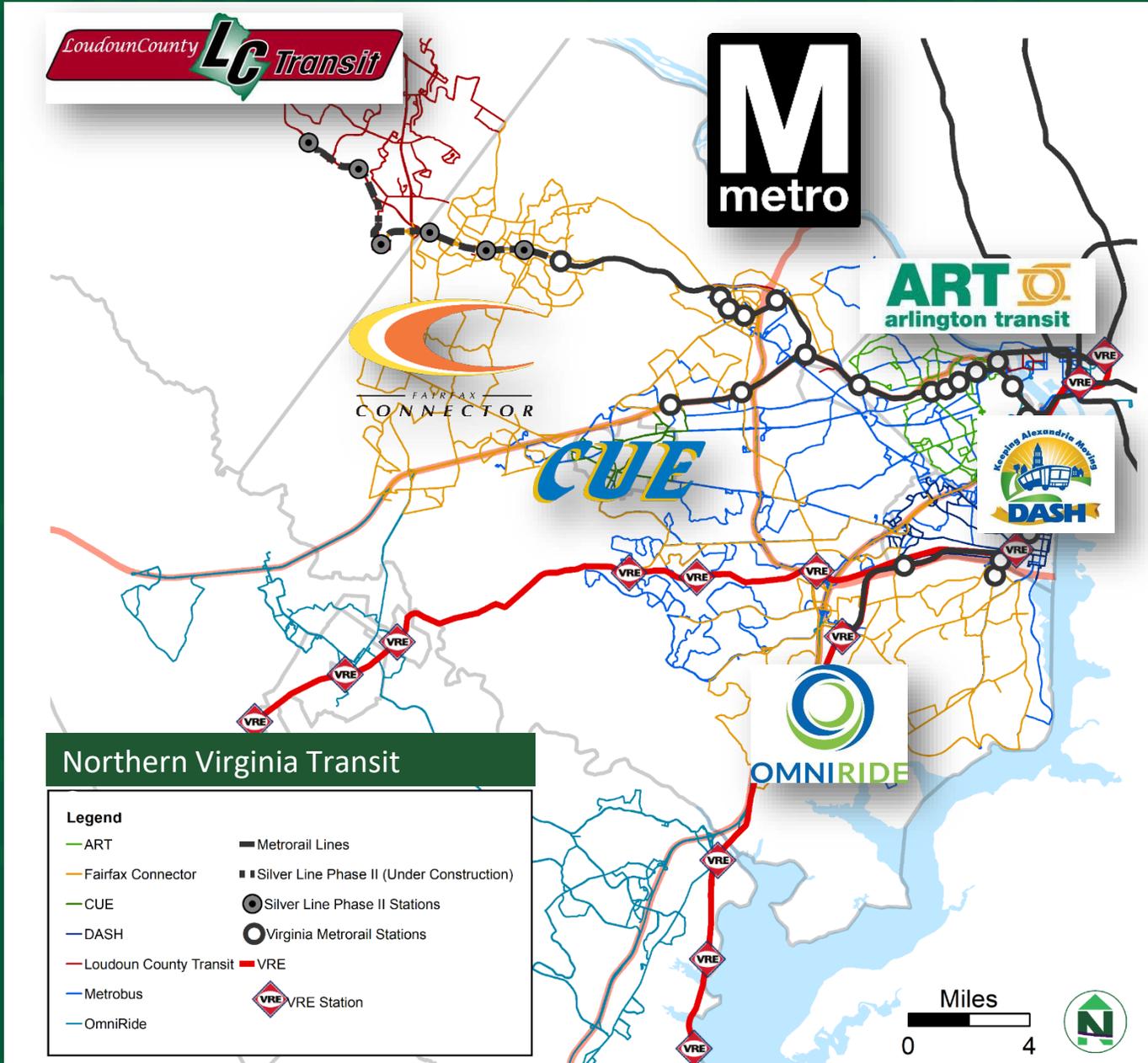
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people live within a ¼ mile of a rail or bus stop

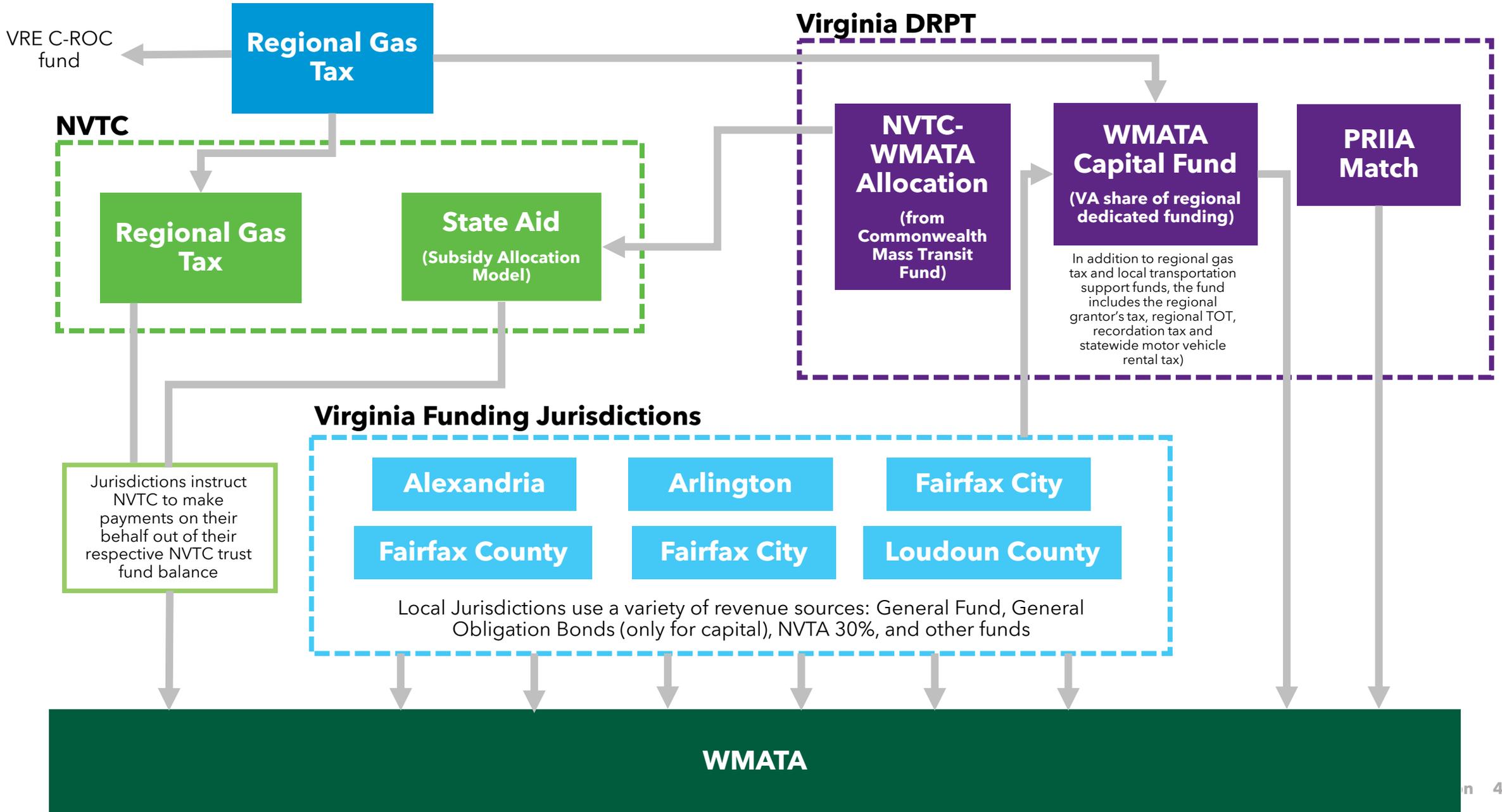
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jobs within a ¼ mile of a rail or bus stop

- ✓ Coordinated Operations
- ✓ Integrated Fare Systems
- ✓ Cross-jurisdictional Planning



How WMATA is Funded in Virginia



NVTC Officers & Composition



CANEK AGUIRRE
NVTC CHAIR
CITY OF ALEXANDRIA



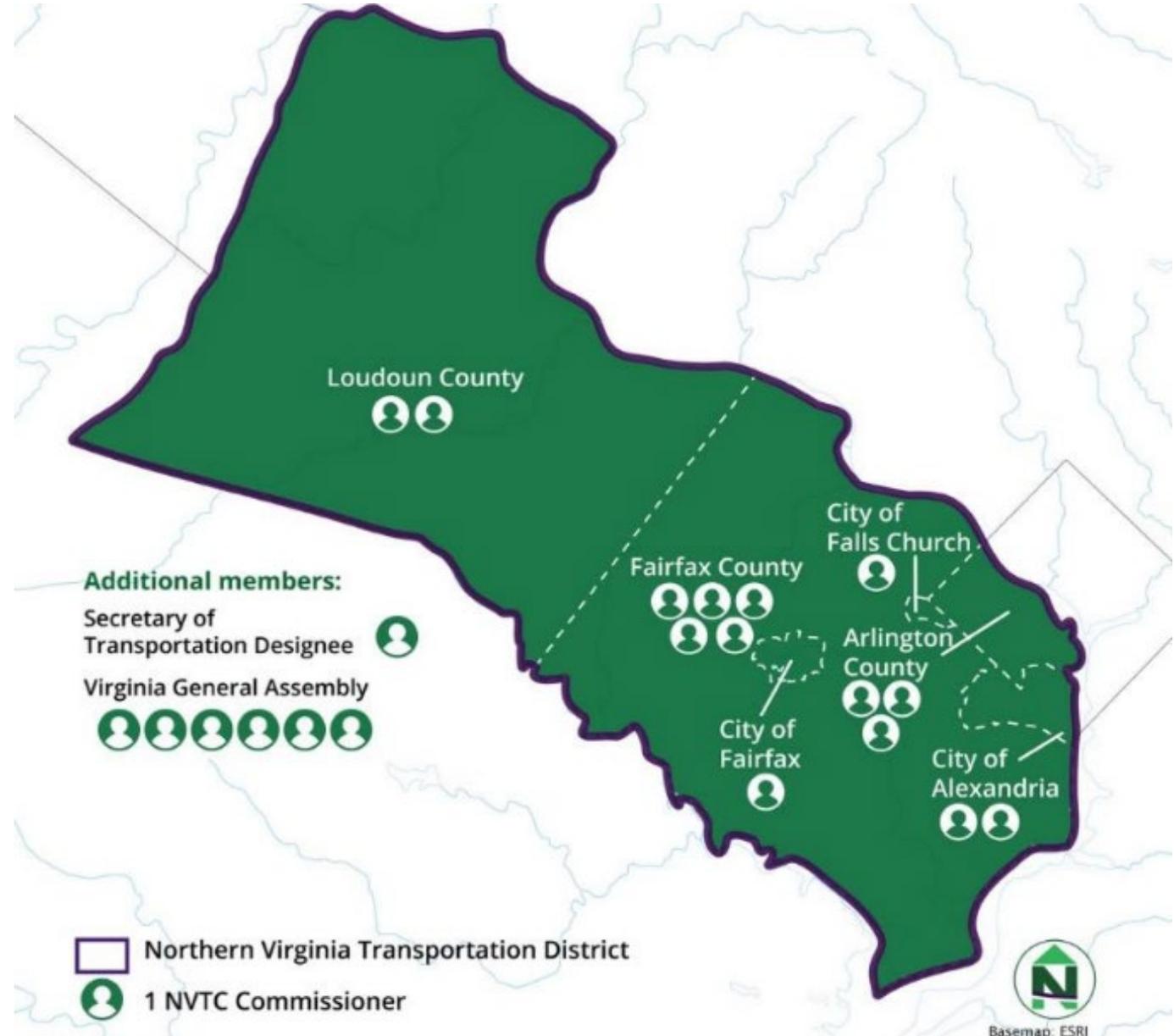
DALIA PALCHIK
NVTC VICE CHAIR
FAIRFAX COUNTY



MATT de FERRANTI
NVTC SECRETARY-TREASURER
ARLINGTON COUNTY



KATIE CRISTOL
IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIR
ARLINGTON COUNTY





NVTC/Virginia's Appointees to the WMATA Board



PAUL SMEDBERG
COMMONWEALTH APPOINTEE TO THE
WMATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS



MATT LETOURNEAU
NVTC APPOINTEE TO
THE WMATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LOUDOUN COUNTY



WALTER ALCORN
NVTC ALTERNATE APPOINTEE TO
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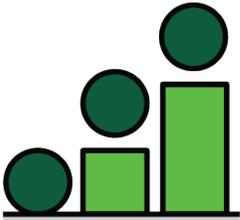
Role with WMATA

Virginia's Principals and Alternates to WMATA Board

Trustees of Regional Funding for WMATA



Monthly reporting on WMATA Board actions



Annual Report on WMATA Conditions and Performance

Recommends actions to control cost and improve operational efficiency



Venue for unifying Northern Virginia voice

NVTC's WMATA Oversight Structure

Full Commission

Meets Monthly

- Discuss and inform Commissioners during the WMATA portion of the agenda
- Receive reports from the WMATA Committee and WMATA Board Members
- Take formal action on NVTC policy positions on WMATA

NVTC WMATA Committee

Meets 5-6 times a year

- Provides a forum for consensus-based recommendations to the Commission on WMATA policy positions
- Provides strategic guidance to staff on WMATA related policy matters and NVTC's responsibilities from legislation

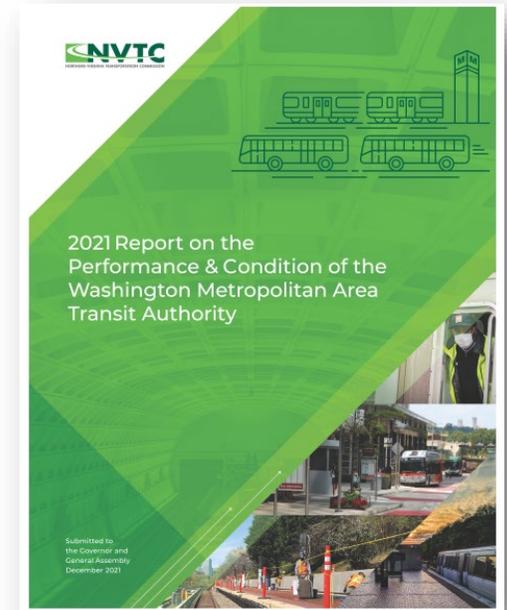
Regional Staffing Structure

Meets Bi-weekly

- NVTC staff coordinate a regional staffing structure that includes state and jurisdictional staff
- Prepares Virginia WMATA Board members for WMATA Board meetings
- Builds consensus on Virginia issues related to WMATA and facilitates multi-jurisdictional representation

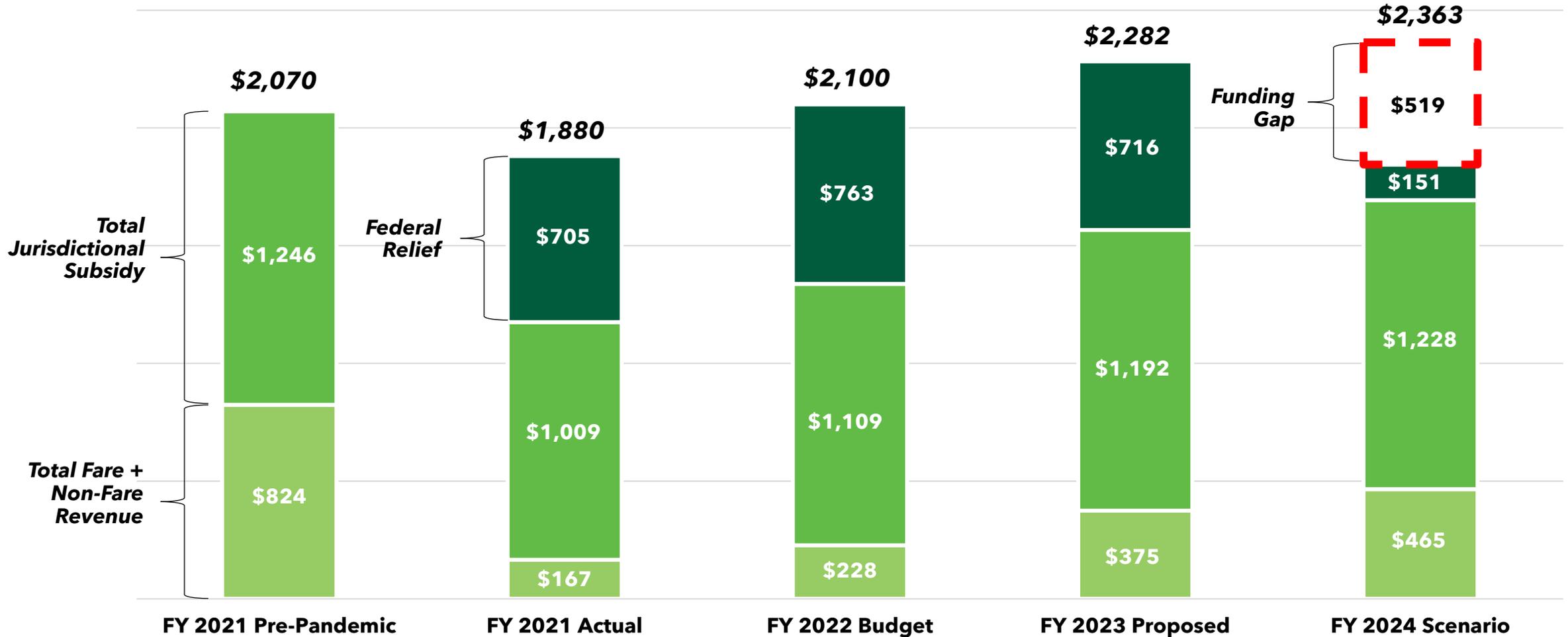
NVTC's 2022 Priorities for WMATA

- ✓ **Leverage federal coronavirus relief aid** to prevent layoffs, sustain and improve service levels throughout a multi-year recovery period, and position WMATA for a sustainable long-term ridership and revenue recovery.
- ✓ **Communicate and encourage a safe return to transit** by highlighting and promoting enhanced safety efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic and developing a long-term, post-pandemic marketing and communications strategy to rebuild ridership.
- ✓ **Implement fare and parking policy changes** that improve revenue and ridership, remove barriers to access and retain newly returning riders.
- ✓ **Adapt rail service to anticipate demand** during the COVID-19 pandemic and the region's subsequent recovery period while maintaining an equitable, baseline level of service across all Metrorail lines.
- ✓ **Continue focus on ongoing initiatives to reduce the growth in operating costs and improve operational efficiencies** using NVTC's previously recommended strategies in past annual reports on the performance and condition of WMATA.



WMATA's Impending Operating Deficit and Funding Gap

WMATA's Expenses for FY 2021-2024 (in millions)



NVTC & COG/TPB: Opportunities for Collaboration

1. Regional “get back on transit” marketing campaign
2. Continued examination of high-capacity bus transit opportunities transit gap analyses
 - Envision Route 7 BRT
 - Northern Virginia Transit Strategic Plan
3. Launching Northern Virginia regional Zero Emission Bus efforts
 - inter-jurisdictional ZEB working group
 - Strategic Implementation Plan
4. Strategic discussions on WMATA activities
 - Dynamics of Virginia code
 - Bus network redesign
 - Funding opportunities/challenges for FY 23 and beyond
5. Other items where the region can benefit from our shared expertise





\$16.5 MILLION



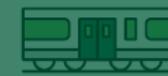
Department of Transportation (DOT) transit assistance for which NVTC served as recipient, totaled \$16.5 million.

\$17.7 MILLION



Revenues from the regional gas tax, which NVTC collected and disbursed to WMATA for operating and capital requirements, equaled \$17.7 million.

\$173.6 MILLION



State assistance for WMATA, through NVTC, came to \$173.6 million.

\$34 MILLION



State assistance for which NVTC applied on behalf of its member jurisdictions' transit systems totaled \$34 million.

\$277 MILLION



NVTC served as the recipient or agent of funds totaling more than \$277 million in fiscal 2021.

\$30.8 MILLION



Federal Grants on behalf of two NVTC jurisdictions totaled \$30.8 million, of which \$2.9 million was received in fiscal 2021. NVTC served as recipient for the awards and ensured its jurisdictions' compliance with Federal Transit Administration requirements.

Thank You

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