

NVTC announces new funding cycle for I-66 Commuter Choice

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## NVTC to Fund \$20 Million in I-66 Commuter Choice Projects

### *Funding Available for Northern Virginia Commuter and Transit Initiatives*

**Arlington, VA** — The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) announces up to \$20 million in funds for the upcoming cycle of projects under [I-66 Commuter Choice](#). Beginning on Nov. 2, jurisdictions and transit agencies may apply for funds for capital improvements, operations and mobility initiatives. Approved projects will improve efficiency and reliability of travel for toll payers on the I-66 corridor inside the Beltway.

The [program](#) currently funds over 20 projects. Well-used express buses including the [Fairfax Connector 699 on 66](#) and the [OmniRide Gainesville to Pentagon](#) received full funding under previous cycles. Eligible projects include transit, technology upgrades, intersection and park-and-ride lot improvements, carpools and vanpools. All projects must benefit those who travel on I-66 between the Beltway and the Potomac River.

Any eligible jurisdiction in Virginia Planning District 8 — which are the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William; the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park; and the towns of Dumfries, Herndon, Leesburg, Purcellville and Vienna — as well as the transit agencies that serve these jurisdictions (including Metro, Virginia Railway Express and OmniRide) may seek funds to improve commutes along the I-66 corridor. Applications are due on January 16, 2019.

The Commuter Choice program is a partnership between the Commonwealth and NVTC, which allows Northern Virginians to fund projects offering the greatest benefit to the toll payer. “Projects funded under the Commuter Choice program make it easier to move more people each day,” said NVTC Chairman Paul Smedberg, “If people have more options, through the Commuter Choice program to bike, share rides, or use transit, everyone feels less of the pain of congestion.”

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*NVTC works to ensure that businesses and residents are served by a high capacity, high quality network of transit systems that allows the region to thrive. It funds and promotes transit in the counties of Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church. NVTC supports five local bus systems (ART, CUE, DASH, Fairfax Connector, Loudoun County Transit), WMATA (Metrorail/Metrobus) and the Virginia Railway Express. Visit [www.NoVaTransit.org](http://www.NoVaTransit.org) or call 703-524-3322 to learn more.*

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