

FY 2023 Status Summaries of Commuter Choice Projects

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New or Enhanced Bus Service Projects

Commuter Choice funds the operation of brand-new local, commuter and on-demand bus routes and the incremental costs of improvements, such as more frequent service or route extensions, to such routes that were already in place. The routes bring commuters into and through the I-66 Inside the Beltway or I-395/95 corridor.

The program supports up to 24 months of operations at a time, after which services must successfully re-compete for funding to continue with Commuter Choice support. Commuter Choice funding also supports capital expenses related to new and enhanced bus services. Capital expenses can include the purchase of buses, the construction or leasing of spaces at park-and-ride lots and improvements to bus stops to improve passenger comfort and information.

1 CITY OF ALEXANDRIA/DASH

Enhanced Bus Service from Van Dorn Metro to the Pentagon

Funding \$5,734,000

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Expands DASH's restructured West End-Pentagon bus service (Line 35) to every 10 minutes on weekdays and 15 minutes on weekends along the entire route, improving connectivity for riders from the West End/Beauregard area of Alexandria to the Van Dorn Street and Pentagon Metrorail stations. Commuter Choice funding supports two years of enhanced operations and capital improvements along the route – improved bus stop amenities, new real-time arrival displays at busy stops and upgrades to existing signal priority equipment.

Project Status

Expanded service on DASH Line 35 commenced in September 2021 with DASH's route redesign launch. The route continues to have the highest ridership in DASH's system, with an average of 5,100 weekday trips in spring 2023. DASH also improved several bus stops with Commuter Choice support and is preparing to install new real-time signage at several stops. Operation of the expanded service will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

2 CITY OF ALEXANDRIA/DASH

Enhanced Bus Service from Mark Center to Potomac Yard

Funding \$3,650,000

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Expands daily service on DASH's restructured West-End - Potomac Yard route, which serves the Mark Center and Shirlington transit centers and the Potomac Yard Metrorail station, to every 15 minutes every day of the week. Commuter Choice funding supports two years of enhanced operations, installation of real-time arrival displays and other improvements to bus stops.

Project Status

Expanded service on DASH Line 36A/B commenced in September 2021 with DASH's route redesign launch. The route provided an average of 2,100 weekday trips in spring 2023 and, in May, began serving the new Potomac Yard Station. DASH is preparing to install new real-time signage at several stops. Operation of the expanded service will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

3 FAIRFAX COUNTY

New Bus Service to the Pentagon with Gambrill and Backlick North Park and Ride Improvements

Funding \$4,926,903

I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 and FY 2022-2023 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Creates direct Fairfax Connector peak-period express bus service between the Backlick North Park and Ride lot and the Pentagon, with installation of secure bicycle parking and wayfinding improvements at the lot. Commuter Choice has funded operation of the new route for a total of four years, the purchase of four buses to enable the new service and the installation of secure bicycle parking at the park-and-ride lot.

Project Status

Route 396, which began operation in January 2020, saw growing ridership throughout the year that reached 325 average weekday trips in spring 2023. Operation of the route will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

4 FAIRFAX COUNTY

Fairfax Connector Express Bus Service between Vienna/Fairfax-GMU and Pentagon Metrorail Stations

Funding \$4,685,468

I-66 FY 2019 and FY 2023-2024 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Creates a new nonstop service, the Fairfax Connector 698 route, from the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU Metrorail station to the Pentagon Transit Center to enhance connectivity and access to transportation hubs, with 10 inbound and 10 outbound trips. Commuter Choice has funded the operation of the new route for four years and the purchase of four buses to enable the new service.

Project Status

Route 698 began service in January 2019. Ridership has gradually rebounded on the route since the pandemic and in spring 2023 reached 237 average weekday trips. Fairfax County is exploring funding options to extend the route via the new I-66 Outside the Beltway Express Lanes to the Stringfellow Park-and-Ride.

5 FAIRFAX COUNTY

Enhanced Bus Service for Route 371: Lorton to Franconia - Springfield Metro Station

Funding \$2,496,529

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Shortens headways to every 15 minutes on weekdays on the Fairfax Connector Route 371, which operates between the Lorton Park and Ride lot and the Franconia-Springfield Metrorail Station. Commuter Choice funding supports two years of enhanced operations, the purchase of one bus and the expansion of Capital Bikeshare to the Franconia-Springfield area with four new stations.

Project Status

Fairfax County plans to commence the more frequent service on Route 371 in early 2024, upon delivery of new buses for service expansions. Equipment has been ordered and permits are being obtained for the bikeshare station installation.

6 FAIRFAX COUNTY

New Bus Service from Reston South to Crystal City

Funding \$5,110,800

I-66 FY 2022 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supports two years of operating costs for express bus service between the Reston South Park and Ride lot and employment areas in Arlington, namely the Pentagon, Pentagon City and Crystal City. Funds also support the purchase of six buses to operate the 10 morning and 10 evening peak direction trips.

Project Status

Fairfax County plans to commence the new service by mid-2024, upon the delivery of new buses for service expansions.

7 CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG

New Bus Service from Route 208 Park and Ride Lot to Fredericksburg VRE

Funding \$1,218,800

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Creates and supports two years of a nonstop bus service between the Route 208 Park and Ride lot in northeastern Spotsylvania County and the Fredericksburg Virginia Railway Express (VRE) station. The project includes the purchase of two small buses, upgraded bus stop amenities and bicycle parking, providing better access to transit and mobility options for commuters.

Project Status

The City of Fredericksburg's FXBGO! transit department began procurement of the buses for the new service in mid-2023.

8 LOUDOUN COUNTY

Loudoun County Transit Metro Connection from New Purcellville Park and Ride

Funding \$1,774,990

I-66 FY 2019 and FY 2021 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Establishes a new bus service that connects riders from the Purcellville Park and Ride lot directly to the Silver Line. Commuter Choice has funded approximately four years of the route's operation. Commuter Choice also funded the lease of the park-and-ride lot until Loudoun County purchased it in late 2021.

Project Status

Loudoun County Transit began the Purcellville Metro Connection service in November 2018, with buses serving Wiehle-Reston East Station. The service, now operating as Route 391, was rerouted to serve Ashburn Station upon the opening of Silver Line Phase 2 in November 2022. Spring 2023 ridership on the route remained modest, at approximately 20 daily trips. Loudoun County Transit more than doubled the limited service being offered on the route in May 2023 to encourage greater ridership.

9 LOUDOUN COUNTY

Stone Ridge Enhanced Transit

Funding \$2,472,970

I-66 FY 2017-2018 and FY 2020 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Establishes commuter bus service from the Stone Ridge II Park and Ride lot in Aldie. The lot, funded in part by Commuter Choice, triples the commuter parking capacity in the Dulles South area and includes passenger amenities such as bus shelters and bike lockers to encourage ridership and help resolve first- and last-mile issues. Commuter Choice has supported a total of approximately four years of operations as well as construction of the park-and-ride lot.

Project Status

Since service resumed in May 2022, ridership on Loudoun County Transit's Commuter Choicefunded Stone Ridge-DC commuter bus trips has grown gradually. As of spring 2023, the trips had an average daily ridership of 55.

10 LOUDOUN COUNTY

New Bus Service from Purcellville to DC

Funding \$949,482

I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

Connects commuters from the Purcellville Park and Ride lot to major employment areas in Downtown Washington, D.C., including the State Department and the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center. The route will feature one morning and one evening peak-direction trip. Commuter Choice funds the purchase of one bus and two years of operations.

Project Status

Loudoun County Transit began the new service in August 2021. Average daily ridership on the route in spring 2023 was 52, reflecting good demand for the long-distance express service. The County intends to continue service with other resources after Commuter Choice support is drawn down later in 2023 and may seek further I-66 Commuter Choice support in the next funding round.

11 LOUDOUN COUNTY

New Bus Service from Stone Ridge to Pentagon

Funding \$1,257,226

I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

Creates an express bus connection from the Stone Ridge II Park and Ride lot to the Pentagon, where riders can access multiple Metrorail lines, other regional bus providers and government shuttle routes. The route features two morning and two evening peak-direction trips. Commuter Choice funds the purchase of one bus and two years of operations.

Project Status

Loudoun County Transit began the new service in August 2021. In spring 2023, average daily ridership on the route was 35, remaining below expectations despite Loudoun County's efforts to promote the service. The County intends to continue service with other resources after Commuter Choice support is drawn down later in 2023 and may seek further I-66 Commuter Choice support in the next funding round.

12 OMNIRIDE

Gainesville to Pentagon Commuter Service

Funding \$8,581,149

I-66 FY 2017-2018, FY 2020, FY 2021 and FY 2023-2024 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Establishes a commuter bus service that connects residents in Gainesville, a rapidly growing community, to the Pentagon and Navy Yard in Washington, D.C. Commuter Choice has supported the purchase of four buses and approximately eight years of operations.

Project Status

The Gainesville to Pentagon commuter bus service, which began service in December 2016, continues to be one of OmniRide's most successful routes, now thanks in part to the opening of the I-66 Outside the Beltway Express Lanes in late 2022. Average weekday ridership was 421 in spring 2023, representing a 40% increase above 2022 levels.

13 OMNIRIDE

Enhanced Bus Service from Gainesville to DC

Funding \$1,519,100

I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

Adds two morning and two evening peak-direction buses between the Cushing Road Gainesville Commuter Lot and major employment areas in Washington, D.C., including the State Department, the World Bank and the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center. Commuter Choice funds support the purchase of two buses and two years of operations with additional trips on the route.

Project Status

Commuter Choice funding expired on OmniRide's Gainesville to DC route in late 2022. Shortly thereafter, OmniRide merged the service with its Route 601 from Manassas to DC.

14 OMNIRIDE

New Bus Service from Haymarket to Rosslyn

Funding \$1,861,354

I-66 FY 2020, FY 2021 and FY 2023-2024 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Express bus service from the Haymarket Park and Ride lot, with 230 available spaces, connects commuters in Haymarket and Gainesville to the Rosslyn-Ballston corridor. Additional points of interest include stops at the Ballston, Clarendon, Court House and Rosslyn Metrorail stations and the Arlington campus of George Mason University. Commuter Choice has supported a total of approximately five years of operations.

Project Status

The route began service in July 2019. As of spring 2023, the average daily ridership was 60.

15 OMNIRIDE

Enhanced Bus Service from Dale City to Ballston

Funding \$543,431

I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 and FY 2022-2023 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Continues two morning and two evening trips from eastern Prince William County to employment areas in the Rosslyn-Ballston corridor and the Pentagon. The route serves three commuter lots, including Horner Road, Telegraph Road and Dale City. Commuter Choice has supported approximately four years of enhanced operations.

Project Status

As of spring 2023, ridership is about 68 weekday trips on the Commuter Choice-supported service expansion. Operation of the expanded service will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

16 OMNIRIDE

Enhanced Bus Service on Prince William Metro Express

Funding \$997,176

I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 and FY 2022-2023 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Increases rush-hour service frequency on OmniRide's express route and connects to the OmniRide Transit Center in Dale City, Potomac Mills Mall and the Franconia-Springfield Metro station. Buses will now arrive every 20 to 25 minutes during peak periods rather than 35 to 40 minutes. Commuter Choice funding has supported a total of approximately four years of operations.

Project Status

As of spring 2023, weekday ridership on the expansion trips averaged 119, with demand particularly strong in the afternoon. Operation of the expanded service will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

17 OMNIRIDE

Enhanced Bus Service on Route 1 Local

Funding \$1,674,669

I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 and FY 2022-2023 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Expanded service began in October 2019, just prior to the 395 Express Lanes' opening. Increases rush-hour service on OmniRide's Route 1 local route between Woodbridge and Quantico, serving Prince William County's major north-south spine and linking residential and retail concentrations. Commuter Choice funding has supported the purchase of one bus to support the additional service and a total of approximately four years of operations.

Project Status

As of spring 2023, weekday ridership on the expansion trips was 69, with demand particularly strong in the afternoon. Operation of the expanded service will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

18 OMNIRIDE

New Bus Service from Staffordboro to Downtown D.C.

Funding \$4,537,508

I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 and FY 2022-2023 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Introduces OmniRide commuter express bus service between the Staffordboro Commuter Lot, which previously only served slugs and carpools, and major employment areas in downtown Washington D.C. including Metro Center, Archives, Smithsonian and L'Enfant Plaza. Commuter Choice funding has supported the purchase of four buses and a total of approximately four years of operations.

Project Status

As of spring 2023, the total average weekday boardings was 242. Operation of the route will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.

19 OMNIRIDE

New Bus Service from Staffordboro to the Pentagon

Funding \$4,200,073

I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 and FY 2022-2023 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Introduces OmniRide commuter express bus service between the Staffordboro Commuter Lot, which previously only served slugs and carpools, and the Pentagon. Commuter Choice funding has supported the purchase of four buses and a total of approximately four years of operations.

Project Status

As of spring 2023, the total average weekday boardings was 249. Operation of the route, with additional trips to meet consistently strong demand, will continue with funding from the I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects.



Access to Transit Projects

Commuter Choice supports projects that improve pedestrian and bicycle access from residential areas to nearby transit stations, hubs and stops in the I-66 inside the Beltway and I-395/95 corridors. Access to transit projects include the construction of new trails/paths, capital and operating expenses of bike share expansions and the installation of bicycle parking facilities at stations.

20 CITY OF FAIRFAX

City of Fairfax Bike Share Implementation

Funding \$460,000

I-66 FY 2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supports the addition of four bike share stations in the City of Fairfax within the two-mile 'bike shed' of the Vienna Metrorail station. The stations will help residents and visitors connect to Metrorail, commuter buses and regional trails and add to the extensive Capital Bikeshare network, including a nearly complete expansion project in Fairfax County. Commuter Choice supports the purchase, installation and operation of new bike share locations.

Project Status

The City of Fairfax has finalized layouts and begun marking sites for the new bikeshare stations. The City expects to complete installation and launch operations in fall 2023.

21 CITY OF FAIRFAX

CUE Access and Technology Improvements

Funding \$965,000

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Improves access and comfort at CUE bus stops through the installation of shelters, benches, signage and real-time transit information displays. The project includes funding for a marketing campaign to increase awareness of CUE. Commuter Choice funding supports implementation of the access and technology improvements.

Project Status

Implementation of the bus stop improvements is in process and will be completed by the end of 2023, with the installation of shelters and other amenities at numerous CUE bus stops within the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County. Real-time signs for CUE service are also being installed at Vienna Station.

22 FAIRFAX COUNTY

I-66 Corridor Vienna/Merrifield Bike Share Expansion

Funding \$497,100

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Adds 10 new bike share stations, connecting residents to the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU and Dunn Loring-Merrifield Metrorail stations and regional trails. Commuter Choice is supporting the purchase and installation of the new bike share stations.

Project Status

Fairfax County has installed five out of the 10 bikeshare stations and is working to obtain permits to install the remainder.

23 FAIRFAX COUNTY

Trail Access to Vienna Metrorail Station

Funding \$2,200,000

I-66 FY 2023-2024 Program of Projects

Project Description

Commuter Choice funding will facilitate the construction of a nearly one-mile segment of the I-66 Trail between the Nutley Street interchange at the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU Station and Blake Lane. The I-66 Trail is a bicycling and walking path that will parallel I-66 between Centreville and the I-495 Beltway and connect several other on-and off-street paths in Fairfax County. The trail will create a safe, attractive route to Metrorail by bicycle or foot for commuters making their way to destinations in the I-66 Inside the Beltway corridor.

Project Status

As of spring 2023, Fairfax County expected to begin construction on the bicycle facilities over the summer.



Rail Capital Projects

Commuter Choice supports rail capital improvements to Metro and/or VRE facilities, including new station entrances, access enhancements and other projects that contribute to moving more people along the I-66 Inside the Beltway and I-395/95 corridors.

24 FAIRFAX COUNTY

McLean Metro Station North Entrance

Funding \$1,000,000

I-66 FY 2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supports the addition of a second entrance to the McLean Metrorail Station on Scotts Crossing Road, reducing the time needed to access the station from the north. With up to 2,000 prospective residents moving into the redeveloping area north of the current station, this project will create a shorter, more convenient walk to the Metro and increase its visibility.

Project Status

The second entrance is currently under construction. The opening will be coordinated with the completion of building construction that Capital One is undertaking adjacent to the new entrance location.

25 ARLINGTON COUNTY

Ballston-MU Metrorail West Entrance

Funding \$4,500,000

I-66 FY 2023-2024 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supports the construction of a second entrance to Ballston-MU Station at the intersection of North Fairfax Drive and North Vermont Street in Arlington. The proposed second entrance, which will be nearly a quarter-mile west of the existing entrance, will shorten the walk for commuters in a transit-oriented area with ongoing high-density, walkable redevelopment and add bus stops to facilitate smooth transfers.

Project Status

Design of the new west entrance is in progress and Arlington County anticipates beginning construction in 2024.

26 CITY OF MANASSAS PARK

Manassas Park VRE Station Parking Garage

Funding \$2,500,000

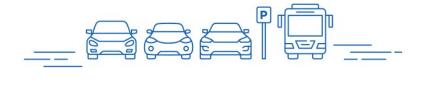
I-66 FY 2023-2024 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supports the construction of a parking garage at the Manassas Park VRE Station. The garage will primarily provide additional parking capacity to meet long term VRE ridership demand, though it will also help to support the master-planned Village at Manassas Park mixed-use development underway around the station, which includes over 800 new residential units.

Project Status

Construction of the garage began in June 2023 and completion is expected in 2025.



Park-and-Ride Lot Projects

Commuter Choice supports projects that construct or enhance park-and-ride lots with the ability to serve I-66 Inside the Beltway and I-395/95 commuters. These park-and-ride lots support transit operations and TDM strategies such as express bus service, vanpool and carpool.

27 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

Horner Road Park and Ride Lot Expansion

Funding \$2,800,000

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Provides for the establishment of an additional 100 parking spaces at the Horner Road commuter lot through new construction and the reconfiguration of existing facilities, including improved access for pedestrians. The project will support ridership growth on several OmniRide bus services as well as traditional and casual carpooling.

Project Status

Additional funding from VDOT will allow for a total of 180 additional parking spaces to be constructed. Preliminary engineering of the lot expansion began in spring 2023.

28 SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY

New Park and Ride Lot in Massaponax

Funding \$1,100,000

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Expands the transportation network by completing the financing for a new 715-space park and ride lot near Route 1 and Spotsylvania Parkway, along with funding awarded through the Virginia SMART SCALE program. Vanpools and carpools would be the primary users for the lot, with the potential for commuter bus service in future years.

Project Status

Construction was completed and a ribbon cutting ceremony was held in June 2023, with OmniRide anticipated to begin new commuter bus service from the new lot later in the year. The County is identifying any additional infrastructure needs for the lot before the project is closed out.



Roadway Operations Projects

Commuter Choice supports strategies to improve roadways' operations and safety that parallel or connect with I-66 inside the Beltway or I-395/95. Such methods include capital projects to reconfigure roads and intersections for greater efficiency and safety and enhanced incident-response strategies to improve travel time reliability. Roadway operations projects also include bus-only lanes and other strategies to boost transit ridership by improving transit travel times.

29 ARLINGTON COUNTY

U.S. 29 HOV and Bus-Only Lane in Rosslyn

Funding \$710,000

I-66 FY 2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

Establishes peak-period, peak-direction high-occupancy vehicle (HOV)/bus-only lanes on Langston Blvd. (U.S. 29) through pavement treatment, restriping and signage. The project's focus is a segment of Langston Blvd. between North Veitch Street and Rosslyn that carries up to 60 buses during the rush hour, including Arlington Transit (ART), Metrobus and Loudoun County Transit buses.

Project Status

Arlington County opted to cancel the project in spring 2023 because of the significant traffic engineering requirements for repurposing a travel lane on a VDOT-owned roadway that were unknown in full at the time of the application for funding.



Transportation Demand Management Projects

Commuter Choice supports projects that reduce drive-alone commute trips in the I-66 Inside the Beltway and I-395/95 corridors through incentives to commuters to entice changes in travel behavior. Although transportation demand management (TDM) is a category of project, other project categories may incorporate TDM elements, such as an introductory fare-free period at the start of a new bus service.

30 ARLINGTON COUNTY

Expanded TDM Outreach to the I-66 Corridor

Funding \$2,050,000

I-66 FY 2017-2018, FY 2019 and FY 2020 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Expands Arlington County's transportation demand management (TDM) program, branded Commute66, and targets commuters bound for locations along the I-66 corridor inside the Beltway and Washington, D.C. to reduce single-occupant car trips through the corridor. Commuter Choice supports education, outreach and marketing activities, centered recently on vanpool formation and mode-shift incentives.

Project Status

Arlington County and NVTC amended the project's scope in June 2023 from a generalized TDM outreach and education campaign to a short-term peak-period, peak-direction free-fare campaign on Arlington Transit (ART) routes serving the I-66 corridor. The new scope will more measurably support moving more people through the I-66 corridor. Arlington County is preparing to begin the free-fare campaign in fall 2023.

31 FAIRFAX COUNTY

TDM Strategy - Fare Buy-Down on Bus Service from Reston North to Crystal City

Funding \$154,500

I-66 FY 2022 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supports a TDM strategy to reduce the fare of the Fairfax Connector express bus service between the Reston North Park and Ride and several stops in Arlington County, including the Pentagon, Pentagon City and Crystal City. Prior to Commuter Choice funding, the fare for the route was \$7.50. Commuter Choice funds are reducing the fare to \$4.25, the same as on other Fairfax Connector express bus services.

Project Status

Daily ridership along Route 599 grew by 94 trips between the October 2022 start of the fare buy-down and spring 2023, exceeding performance targets. Fares will return to \$7.50 beginning in August as the Commuter Choice funding will be spent down.

32 OMNIRIDE

TDM Strategy I-395/95 Corridor Vanpool Monthly Incentive

Funding \$604,800

I-395/95 FY 2022-2023 Program of Projects

Project Description

Incentivizes the formation of new and returning vanpools that travel through the I-395/95 corridor. The project establishes general subsidies of up to \$400 per month and, if applicable, parking costs of up to \$200 per month for trips using the I-395 corridor, including those terminating in downtown Washington, D.C.

Project Status

As of summer 2023, Vanpool Alliance had 178 riders enrolled in the program, which concluded at the end of June 2023 after 24 months. Vanpool Alliance expects many vanpools started with Commuter Choice support to continue operations.

33 OMNIRIDE

TDM Strategy - I-66 Corridor Vanpool Parking Benefit

Funding \$85,000

I-66 FY 2022 Program of Projects

Project Description

Encourages vanpooling by offsetting expensive parking rates in major employment areas. Vanpool Alliance will provide a \$200 a month incentive payment to newly formed, eligible vanpools that travel along the I-66 corridor into Arlington and Washington, D.C. Commuter Choice funds are supporting the TDM strategy for up to two years.

Project Status

Despite significant marketing efforts and the opening of the I-66 Outside the Beltway Express Lanes, no vanpools have enrolled in the program and therefore no expenses have been incurred. Vanpool Alliance intends to cancel the project.

34 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

New TDM Outreach to the I-66 Corridor

Funding \$200,000

I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

Establishes a commuter-focused transportation demand management (TDM) program, encompassing online, print materials and advertising, that will increase awareness and

promote regional travel choices. Prince William County will target the funds to promoting a County-led half-fare campaign on OmniRide commuter bus routes that received I-66 Commuter Choice FY 2023-2024 funding.

Project Status

Prince William County conducted an online survey in early 2023 targeting commuters who drive on I-66 and 1,800 survey responses were collected. The County launched a commuter-facing website in FY 2023 and will continue to market transit and other transportation alternatives in FY 2024, including continued promotion of the half-fare campaign on five OmniRide routes that originate in the County.

35 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

TDM Strategy - Fare Buy-Down on I-66 Commuter Bus Service

Funding \$650,000

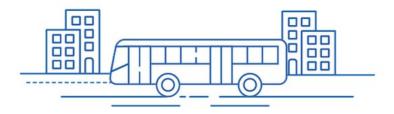
I-66 FY 2023-2024 Program of Projects

Project Description

Support for this project will attract more Prince William County commuters to transit by cutting fares in half on five OmniRide routes for the first 10 months that the I-66 Outside the Beltway Express Lanes are open. These routes together offer over 30 roundtrips each day and will utilize the new Express Lanes, shortening commute times between park-and-ride lots in western Prince William County and major employment clusters Inside the Beltway. This fare buy-down project, which Prince William County will promote through a prior Commuter Choice funding award for TDM activities, will reduce one-way fares from \$6.90 to \$3.45 per trip.

Project Status

In coordination with OmniRide, the County launched the buy-down campaign in early 2023 after the opening of the I-66 Outside the Beltway Express Lanes. The campaign generated 133 additional daily trips on the OmniRide commuter bus routes, which now offer much faster and more reliable travel to and from Arlington and Washington, D.C. due to the new Express Lanes. As OmniRide updated its fare structure in summer 2023 and increased one-way commuter routes to \$9.00 per trip, the Commuter Choice project scope was amended to allow the County to continue supporting half-fares. The County expects the reduced fares to continue through late 2023.



Projects Beginning in FY 2024

I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2024-2025 Program of Projects - Approved by the Commonwealth Transportation Board in June 2023

Recipient and Project	Approved Funding Amount	Overview
Arlington County Metrobus 16M Service Enhancement: Skyline to Crystal City	\$5,000,000	Supports 24 months of enhanced local bus service with buses arriving every 6 minutes during weekday peak periods on the Metrobus 16M line between Skyline and Crystal City. The project complements new transit stations and other improvements currently being constructed along Columbia Pike. Frequent bus service along the corridor improves connections between the Columbia Pike corridor, Pentagon City and the many new commercial developments in Crystal City, using the extended Crystal City-Potomac Yard Transitway for a portion of the route.
DASH DASH Line 35 Service Enhancement: Van Dorn Street Station to the Pentagon (Continuation)	\$7,290,000	Supports a further 24 months of enhanced bus service, operating every 10 minutes all day on weekdays and every 15 minutes all day on weekends, between Alexandria's West End and the Pentagon via the 395 Express Lanes. Line 35, which serves key destinations along the I-395 corridor such as the Landmark Transit Center, Mark Center and Pentagon, is DASH's top performing route and represents a third of daily ridership in its network.
DASH DASH Line 36A/B Service Enhancement: Mark Center to Potomac Yard-VT Station (Continuation)	\$3,774,000	Supports a further 24 months of enhanced bus service, operating every 15 minutes all day, seven days per week, between the Mark Center, Shirlington and Potomac Yard. DASH Line 36 provides connections to critical destinations in the region including the INOVA hospital, Virginia Tech Innovation Center and the new Potomac Yard-VT Station.

Recipient and Project	Approved Funding Amount	Overview
DASH DASH Line 35 Bus Fleet Capacity Expansion with Electric Buses: Van Dorn Street Station to the Pentagon	\$3,452,000	Supports the purchase of two additional 60-foot electric buses that will be used exclusively on DASH's Line 35. Line 35 experienced substantial ridership growth thanks in part to enhanced levels of operation funded by Commuter Choice, but even with buses arriving every 10 minutes on weekdays, the route experiences crowding at peak times. The buses allow DASH to meet demand for the route efficiently while advancing the agency's transition to a fully electric bus fleet.
Fairfax County Fairfax Connector Route 396: Backlick North Park and Ride to the Pentagon (Continuation)	\$1,750,915	Supports 24 further months of operation of peak-period express bus service between Springfield and the Pentagon operating every 15 to 20 minutes via the 395 Express Lanes. The route adds a stop at the new Springfield Multi-Use Parking Garage on Old Keene Mill Road, further enhancing connections and options for area commuters.
Fairfax County Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit Implementation: Fort Belvoir to Huntington Station	\$10,000,000	Helps fund the construction of a seven-mile, nine- station bus rapid transit line operating in new median lanes along U.S. Route 1. The line connects dense residential and commercial development between Fort Belvoir and Huntington Station with quick and reliable service thanks to dedicated median lanes and limited stops at new rail-like stations. The bus rapid transit line is one of several such lines planned for busy travel corridors in northern Virginia.
OmniRide OmniRide Route D-200 Service Enhancement: Dale City to Ballston (Continuation)	\$304,626	Supports 24 further months of operation of two of the morning and two of the evening trips provided by OmniRide's D-200 commuter express route between Dale City and the Pentagon, Rosslyn and Ballston. The route serves three commuter lots, including Horner Road, Telegraph Road and Dale City, allowing commuters to travel efficiently and avoid some of the most congested parts of the I-395/95 corridor.

Recipient and Project	Approved Funding Amount	Overview
OmniRide OmniRide Prince William Metro Express Service Enhancement: Dale City to Franconia- Springfield Station (Continuation)	\$671,678	Supports a further 24 months of operation of expanded peak-period, fare-free service operating approximately every 20 to 30 minutes between Woodbridge, Potomac Mills, the Horner Road Commuter Lot and Franconia- Springfield Station. The route is one of the busiest in the OmniRide system and links commuters traveling to and from the Potomac Mills area with Metrorail, Metrobus, Amtrak, Fairfax Connector, Virginia Railway Express and other OmniRide bus services.
OmniRide OmniRide Route 1 Local Service Enhancement: Quantico to Woodbridge Station (Continuation)	\$755,020	Supports a further 24 months of operation of a third weekday peak-period bus on OmniRide's fare-free local bus route along U.S. Route 1 in eastern Prince William County. This route connects key residential and employment areas along the corridor to OmniRide express buses, Virginia Railway Express commuter rail and Amtrak trains.
OmniRide OmniRide Route 543: Staffordboro to Downtown Washington, D.C. (Continuation)	\$1,025,441	Supports a further 24 months of operation of weekday commuter express service between the Route 610 commuter lot in Stafford County and major employment areas in downtown Washington, D.C., including Metro Center, the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center and L'Enfant Plaza, with five morning inbound trips and six afternoon outbound trips. OmniRide's express bus routes originating in Stafford County, which use the full current length of the 95 and 395 Express Lanes, began service in October 2019 with Commuter Choice support and have continuously been strong performers thanks to the fast and reliable service they provide.
OmniRide OmniRide Route 942: Staffordboro to the Pentagon (Continuation)	\$1,638,926	Supports 24 further months of operation of weekday commuter express service between the Route 610 commuter lot in Stafford County and the Pentagon, with an expansion to eight morning inbound trips and nine afternoon outbound trips. OmniRide's express bus routes originating in Stafford County, which use the full current length of the 95 and 395 Express Lanes, began service in October 2019 with Commuter Choice support and have continuously been strong performers thanks to the fast and reliable service they provide.

Recipient and Project	Approved Funding Amount	Overview
Virginia Railway Express TDM Strategy: Amtrak Step-Up Reinstatement on VRE Fredericksburg Line	\$1,477,065	Reestablishes VRE's Amtrak Step-Up program to again allow VRE multi-ride pass holders to travel between Northern Virginia and Washington, D.C. on select peak and off-peak Amtrak Northeast Regional trains. The project, which applies to VRE's Fredericksburg Line, allows riders to acquire and use step-up tickets through VRE's mobile app. The project subsidizes VRE's payments to Amtrak for each step-up boarding for a period of 24 months.
Virginia Railway Express Crystal City Station Expansion	\$10,786,281	Relocates and expands the Crystal City commuter rail station to enable simultaneous boarding of two full- length trains and support potential future Amtrak service at the station. The station expansion advances Commonwealth plans for expanded rail service in the corridor between Richmond, Fredericksburg and Washington, D.C., and helps to anchor the Crystal City/National Landing area's commercial and residential redevelopment.



Completed Projects

The following projects have been completed or otherwise closed out. They include infrastructure improvements and technology deployments that are now in place, limited duration TDM programs that have ended, and transit service improvements that are now either being funded through other sources or have concluded.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Commuter Store at the Pentagon Transit Center

Funding \$211,962 I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

Funding supported 12 months of operations of Arlington County's Commuter Store at the Pentagon Transit Center, which provided travel information, sales and assistance to visitors, employees and commuters passing through the Transit Center's bus terminal.

Project Status

The Pentagon Commuter Store was open with Commuter Choice funding from January 2020 to January 2021, helping to serve essential travel needs during the pandemic.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Enhanced Bus Service on Metrobus 3Y: Lee Highway-Farragut Square

Funding \$1,040,000

I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

Improved the peak-period frequency of Metrobus 3Y, a peak-direction route that operated between the East Falls Church Metro Station and downtown Washington, D.C. via U.S. 29. Commuter Choice was to support operation of expanded service for two years.

Project Status

The Metrobus 3Y service expansion operated between December 2019 and March 2020, with increased ridership over that period. As no plans were made to resume the expanded service, the project was closed out in February 2023.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Bus Stop Consolidation and Accessibility Improvements, Lee Highway and Washington Boulevard

Funding \$462,000

I-66 FY 2017-2018 Program of Projects

Project Description

Replaced and retrofitted underutilized and closely spaced bus stops (approximately 30) along the Langston Boulevard and Washington Boulevard corridors with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant improvements to reduce travel times and attract new bus riders. Approximately 33 bus stops were retrofitted with bus stop pads, pedestrian facilities and added enhanced passenger amenities, including shelters, benches and new lighting fixtures. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported capital costs related to the project.

Project Status

Arlington County completed improvements to 33 bus stops in the Langston Boulevard and Washington Boulevard corridors in fall 2020. Upgrades improvements included the addition of ADA-compliant passenger landing pads and pedestrian facilities such as enhanced sidewalks, curb ramps and crosswalks.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Multimodal Real-Time Transportation Information Screens

Funding \$250,000

I-66 FY 2017-2018 Program of Projects

Project Description

Multimodal real-time transportation screens, which provide dynamic information, were planned for Metrorail stations, high-utilization bus stops and residential and office buildings in the Rosslyn-Ballston corridor. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported the purchase of screens and the first year of service costs.

Project Status

Arlington County concluded the project in early 2021 with 13 new screens out of a target of 50 installed and I-66 toll information added to 11 existing information screens in the Rosslyn-Ballston corridor. The County encountered challenges that were not anticipated at the time of application in finding hosts for the displays.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Peak Period Service Expansion to Metrobus Route 2A, Washington Boulevard-Dunn Loring

Funding \$1,000,000

I-66 FY 2017-2018 Program of Projects

Project Description

Increased bus frequency and shorter route run times increased peak-period frequency to every 10 minutes from 15. The 2A operates on US 29 and Washington Boulevard, adjacent to I-66,

and connects three jurisdictions with three Metrorail stations. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported two years of operating costs for the expanded bus service.

Project Status

Support for this project, enabling 15-minute peak-period headways, ended in June 2019. Overall ridership on the Metrobus 2A route increased between spring 2018 and spring 2019, from approximately 2,100 weekday trips to nearly 2,300.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Peak Period Service Expansion to ART Bus Route 55

Funding \$450,000

I-66 FY 2017-2018 Program of Projects

Project Description

Buses were added to the ART 55 route to increase peak-period, peak-direction service and attract new riders along Langston Boulevard and connect commuters to the East Falls Church and Rosslyn Metrorail stations. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported operating costs of expanded service for two years.

Project Status

Support for this project ended on June 30, 2019 when additional trips averaged nearly 200 weekday passengers. Arlington County continues to maintain the 12-minute peak-period service with other funding.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

I-66 Corridor Intelligent Transportation System Enhancements

Funding \$400,000

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Improved Arlington's real-time traffic monitoring system by enhancing the intelligent transportation systems infrastructure so the county can better respond to special events and incidents in the corridor. Also allowed Arlington to share video feeds and data easily with county residents and regional partners like the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and both the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT). I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported technology and equipment costs, including count stations, Bluetooth detectors and the installation of closed-circuit television (CCTV), and the costs to report and share data with partner agencies.

Project Status

Arlington County concluded the project after installing the intelligent transportation systems equipment. A platform for sharing the data was also developed as a part of the project.

ARLINGTON COUNTY

Traffic Management Center

Funding \$400,000

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Upgrades to Arlington County's Traffic Management Center allowed the county to maximize its new intelligent transportation system (ITS) capabilities by centralizing data from field devices and responding to incidents as observed in real-time. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported staff resources for the Traffic Management Center's monitoring and incident response for two years.

Project Status

Arlington County staffed the center during morning and afternoon peak-periods between February 2019 and September 2021, during which time incident data collection and incident management improved.

CITY OF FALLS CHURCH

Expanded Transit Access, Bike Share

Funding \$500,000 I-66 FY 2017-2018 Program of Projects

Project Description

Supported operations of Capital Bikeshare stations in the City of Falls Church, near the East Falls Church and the West Falls Church Metrorail stations. The bike share stations filled a gap in the regional bike share network, increased travel options and reduced demand on the local highway system. Commuter Choice supported five years of operating assistance and maintenance for bike share locations in the city.

Project Status

The five years of Commuter Choice support for operations ended on June 30, 2022 and the project was subsequently closed out. The City has continued bikeshare operations with other resources.

CITY OF FALLS CHURCH

Metrobus Route 3T Extension and Service Expansion

Funding \$845,754 I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

The expanded 3T route offered bi-directional, peak period service with 24-minute headways and restored direct Metrobus service between West Falls Church-VT and East Falls Church Metrorail stations. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported the route's extension and reduced headways.

Project Status

The extension operated between January 2019 and March 2020. Metro implemented more frequent service and a revised routing on the Metrobus 28A in September 2021 as part of its

service restoration plans that address the local transportation needs that the Metrobus 3T extension was intended to serve.

CITY OF MANASSAS

Bicycle Parking Improvements at Manassas VRE Station

Funding \$55,000 I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Sheltered bike racks, up to 10 bicycle lockers and a bicycle repair stand were added to provide safe and convenient long-term bicycle parking, making bikes more attractive as a first- and lastmile option for Virginia Railway Express and Amtrak riders. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported the acquisition and installation of bicycle racks, lockers and other amenities.

Project Status

The City of Manassas completed the project in October 2020, following the installation of a bicycle shelter and eight bicycle racks on the station platform and bicycle lockers and wayfinding signage inside the adjacent station garage.

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA/DASH

Enhanced Bus Service on AT-9: Mark Center to Potomac Yard

Funding \$1,949,000 I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

This project improved all-day service frequency and extended the hours of service on DASH's AT-9 local bus route, which served significant employment, shopping and educational sites in the I-395 corridor. The project also installed four real-time bus arrival information displays at bus stops along the route. I-395/95 Commuter Choice funds supported approximately 20 months of expanded service as well as capital costs related to the project.

Project Status

Enhancements to the crosstown AT-9 route in Alexandria improved commuters' connections with north-south transit services in the I-395 corridor. Service improvements were launched in October 2019 that resulted in a 77% increase in weekly ridership by early 2020. The frequent, convenient service allowed the route to keep a much greater share of its ridership during the pandemic than the DASH system as a whole. DASH received I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2022-2023 funding for more frequent daily service between the West End of Alexandria and Potomac Yard that took effect in September 2021 as part of the implementation of DASH's redesigned bus network.

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA/DASH

Enhanced Bus Service on AT-1 Plus: West End to Van Dorn Metro

Funding \$3,040,000 I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

Increased the frequency, extended hours and improved bus stop amenities on the DASH AT-1 Plus bus service, improving connectivity for riders from the West End/Beauregard area of Alexandria to the Van Dorn Metrorail station. The route paralleled the I-395 corridor and stops at shopping areas, educational centers and the Mark Center. I-395/95 Commuter Choice funds supported approximately 20 months of expanded service and capital costs related to the project.

Project Status

DASH's improved AT-1 Plus route helped fulfill needs for better public transportation along I-395 in Alexandria's West End. Service improvements were launched in October 2019 and resulted in a 39% increase in weekly ridership by early 2020. The frequent, convenient service allowed the route to keep a much greater share of its ridership during the pandemic than the DASH system as a whole. DASH received I-395/95 Commuter Choice FY 2022-2023 funding to provide more frequent daily service and extend the route to the Pentagon Metrorail station that took effect in September 2021 as part of the implementation of DASH's redesigned bus network.

FAIRFAX COUNTY

New Bus Service from Stringfellow to L'Enfant Plaza

Funding \$4,326,000 I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

Established new express bus service from the Stringfellow Park and Ride to L'Enfant Plaza in Washington, D.C., with 10 morning and 10 evening peak-direction trips that provide access to major employment areas, including federal agencies along the National Mall and Seventh Street SW. Commuter Choice funded operation of the new route for two years and the purchase of six buses to enable the new service.

Project Status

Fairfax County did not pursue I-66 FY 2023-2024 funding for the service and the FY 2020 funding was closed out in summer 2023. Fairfax County is maintaining service for a brief period with its own resources, thereby increasing its overall financial commitment to the route, and expects to pursue further I-66 Commuter Choice support in the FY 2025-2026 funding round.

FAIRFAX COUNTY

Fairfax Connector Government Center – Downtown DC, Route 699

Funding \$5,276,336

I-66 FY 2017-2018 and FY 2020 Programs of Projects

Project Description

Provided express bus service from the Fairfax County Government Center park-and-ride lot to major regional employment and educational centers - including The George Washington University campus, U.S. Department of State and World Bank - in Washington, D.C. This Fairfax Connector bus service provided 13 morning rush-hour inbound trips and 13 afternoon rush-

hour outbound trips, with departures roughly every 15 to 20 minutes. Commuter Choice funded operation of the new route for a total of four years and the purchase of five buses to enable the new service.

Project Status

Fairfax County did not pursue I-66 FY 2023-2024 funding for the service and the FY 2020 funding was closed out in summer 2023. Fairfax County is maintaining service for a brief period with its own resources, thereby increasing its overall financial commitment to the route, and expects to pursue further I-66 Commuter Choice support in the FY 2025-2026 funding round.

LOUDOUN COUNTY

Loudoun County Transit Metro Connection Route 88X Extension to Dulles South

Funding \$1,706,040

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Extended Loudoun County Transit's 88X service to a new western terminus in the Dulles South area and maintains 28-minute headways to the Wiehle-Reston East Metrorail station during peak periods. Commuter Choice supported operation of an additional bus on the route that allowed for the route extension.

Project Status

Loudoun County operated expanded service on Route 88X between November 2018 and March 2020, after which demand did not support the restoration of expanded service. Loudoun County closed out the Commuter Choice project in May 2022.

LOUDOUN COUNTY

Transportation Demand Management

Funding \$623,000 I-66 FY 2017-2018 Program of Projects

Project Description

Expanded a transportation demand management (TDM) program, called I SHARE 66, and provided incentives to Loudoun County residents – such as reduced fares on express buses into D.C. or to Metrorail stations, a SmarTrip® card promotion for new transit riders and financial rewards for new carpools and vanpools – to get commuters out of their single-occupant vehicles. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported program marketing and commuter incentives.

Project Status

The I SHARE 66 TDM program supported over 190,000 fare-free Loudoun Metro Connection transit rides, established a vanpool and numerous carpools and offered complimentary SmarTrip[®] cards for new commuter bus riders.

NORTHERN VIRGINIA REGIONAL COMMISSION (NVRC)

New TDM Outreach Campaign for Military Facilities

Funding \$396,184 I-395/95 FY 2020-2021 Program of Projects

Project Description

Provided outreach, marketing and educational services to specifically foster ridesharing and transit use by the 115,000 personnel working at local military bases, including Joint Base Myer Henderson Hall, Fort Belvoir/Fort Belvoir North and Marine Corps Base Quantico. Funds from Commuter Choice on the I-395/95 corridor supported staffing and incentives for outreach to military facilities around increasing ridesharing and transit use.

Project Status

NVRC faced significant challenges implementing an effective TDM effort with military bases along the corridor, in part due to limited access to the facilities during the pandemic, and decided to close out the project early. The project was closed out in January 2023.

OMNIRIDE

OmniRide Linton Hall Metro Direct Bus Service Enhancement

Funding \$134,200

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Increased service (one additional AM peak-period and PM peak-period trip) on OmniRide's Metro Direct route between Linton Hall and the Tysons Corner Metrorail station to serve more riders during I-66 construction and support transit and transportation demand management plans. I-66 Commuter Choice funds supported transit operating costs of additional trips for two years.

Project Status

The additional trips began operating in July 2019 and project support concluded at the end of 2021. Half-fare subsidies from the Virginia Department of Transportation during I-66 Outside the Beltway construction helped boost ridership in the first several months of service.

OMNIRIDE

On-Demand Commuter Lot Shuttles in Prince William County

Funding \$1,087,796

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

Gainesville/Haymarket neighborhoods were to be connected to nearby commuter lots via free, on-demand shuttles. Funding was to cover the purchase of vehicles, onboard vehicle hardware, transit operation and promotion.

Project Status

OmniRide opted in October 2020 against proceeding with the project given delays in initiating the procurement for technology for the shuttles and less need for the service given recent parkand-ride capacity expansions in the Gainesville/Haymarket area.

OMNIRIDE

I-66 Slug Line Campaign

Funding \$287,800

I-66 FY 2020 Program of Projects

Project Description

OmniRide intended to develop a marketing and communications plan to promote slug lines at four commuter lots, to encompass social media management, engagement with regional stakeholders and outreach to the public. I-66 Commuter Choice funds were to support marketing and outreach around encouraging casual carpooling or slugging in the I-66 corridor in anticipation of the I-66 Outside the Beltway Express Lanes opening in 2022.

Project Status

OmniRide's governing body opted not to proceed with procurement for the project in June 2020. As such, the project has been canceled.

OMNIRIDE

Flexible Vanpool Program

Funding \$317,600

I-66 FY 2019 Program of Projects

Project Description

OmniRide intended to develop and provide rostering and fare payment software to allow riders registered with one vanpool to ride with another and unregistered riders to catch a one-time ride. I-66 Commuter Choice funds were to support software and hardware procurement and vanpool promotion.

Project Status

OmniRide opted in October 2020 against proceeding with the project given delays in initiating the procurement for the ride matching technology and diminished interest in dynamic ridesharing in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.