## METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

### **MISSION**

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) is responsible for operating, maintaining and improving public transportation in the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District consisting of New York City and Dutchess, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester counties. The Authority oversees the operations of the bus and subway systems in New York City, commuter railroads in the region, and seven bridges and two tunnels in New York City. This oversight includes general policy direction and development and financing of the operating and capital programs.

The Authority is comprised of three independent entities: The Metropolitan Transportation Authority, MTA New York City Transit and MTA Bridges and Tunnels. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority has six subsidiaries: MTA Staten Island Rapid Transit, MTA Long Island Rail Road, MTA Long Island Bus, MTA Metro North Railroad, MTA Bus and MTA Capital Construction. MTA New York City Transit, which operates the New York City subway and bus systems, has one subsidiary: MTA Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit.

### ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

Each of the three independent entities mentioned above is governed by its own Board, although by law membership on each Board is identical. There are 17 voting board members, each nominated by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Four members are nominated from a list provided by the Mayor of the City of New York and one each from lists prepared by the seven county executives in the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District. The remaining six members are appointed directly by the Governor, with one serving as Board Chair. There are also six non-voting members on the Board representing riders and labor unions, for a total of 23 members.

#### **BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

The Executive Budget recommends approximately **\$1 billion** for the MTA capital program from reappropriations of the Rebuild and Renew New York Bond Act of 2005. This funding was approved by voters in November 2005 and provided a total of \$1.45 billion of capital to the MTA. The Executive Budget also includes contingent appropriations worth **\$2.1 billion** for the MTA. These contingent appropriations are from the Dedicated Mass Transportation Trust Fund and the MTA Support Program Fund, and are used to ensure continuation of aid payments to the MTA in the event of temporary non-appropriation due to a late budget for the subsequent fiscal State year.

Within the Department of Transportation budget, the Executive Budget recommends \$3.8 billion in appropriations to the MTA, a decline of \$108 million (-3 percent) from last year. This decline is primarily the result of the 2011-12 Payroll Mobility Tax appropriation level becoming closer aligned with the expected tax receipts for the coming year. Despite this drop in appropriations, the MTA is anticipated to receive an increase of \$43 million on a year-to-year cash basis.

### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

#### MTA NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT AND MTA COMMUTER RAILROADS

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority provides 24-hour-a-day transit and commuter services in the New York City metropolitan region and carries 8.5 million riders per day in one of the largest transportation networks in the world. MTA New York City Transit operates 6,300 subway cars on 27 lines, the largest subway network in the world. NYC Transit, MTA Bus and MTA Long Island bus also operate 6,300 buses, serving nearly 4,000 miles of bus routes. MTA Long Island Rail Road and MTA Metro North Railroad, the two largest commuter rail systems in the nation, provide transportation for travelers entering New York City from outlying suburban areas in New York State and Connecticut. Over two and a half billion passengers ride the subways, buses and commuter rail systems each year.

#### MTA BRIDGES AND TUNNELS

MTA Bridges and Tunnels, the largest toll system in the nation serving 300 million vehicles annually, operates nine intra-city bridges and tunnels in New York City: Robert F. Kennedy Bridge (formerly known as the Triborough Bridge), Bronx-Whitestone Bridge, Henry Hudson Bridge, Marine Parkway-Gil Hodges Bridge, Cross Bay Veterans' Memorial Bridge, Throgs Neck Bridge, Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, Queens-Midtown Tunnel and Brooklyn Battery Tunnel. It also provides financing for MTA New York City Transit's and the commuter railroads' capital programs. In addition, MTA Bridges and Tunnels is required by law to transfer surplus revenues to MTA New York City Transit and the commuter railroads to support their operations.

#### **OTHER SUBSIDIARIES**

In July 2003, the MTA created the MTA Capital Construction Company, which has the ability to manage, design and effectuate the system expansion projects of all the MTA agencies. The other subsidiaries – MTA Staten Island Rapid Transit, MTA Long Island Bus, and MTA Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit – provide regional transportation services. MTA Staten Island Rapid Transit operates transit services on Staten Island. MTA Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit, in conjunction with MTA New York City Transit, provide bus service within New York City, primarily in Manhattan and the Bronx. In September 2004, the MTA Board created the MTA Bus Company. Pursuant to an agreement with the City of New York, the MTA has assumed operation of bus service in the areas previously serviced by the City-franchised private bus lines. The City of New York will pay to the MTA the difference between the actual cost of operations and all revenues. MTA Bus now operates the 11th largest bus fleet in North America.

MTA Long Island Bus provides bus service to Nassau County, western Suffolk County and eastern Queens County, connecting these areas to MTA Long Island Rail Road's stations and New York City Transit's subway stations. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority carries out the operation and provides general oversight of MTA Long Island Bus. Nassau County is financially responsible for the portion of MTA Long Island Bus' operating costs that are over and above those supported by fares and by Federal and State assistance.

## **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION**

#### ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available 2010-11	Appropriations Recommended 2011-12	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2011-12
State Operations	0	0	0	0
Aid To Localities	2,253,300,000	2,151,000,000	(102,300,000)	0
Capital Projects	0	0	0	1,007,000,000
Total	2,253,300,000	2,151,000,000	(102,300,000)	1,007,000,000

# AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

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Fund Type	2010-11	2011-12	Change
Special Revenue Funds - Other	2,253,300,000	2,151,000,000	(102,300,000)
Total	2,253,300,000	2,151,000,000	(102,300,000)

# AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
Dedicated Tax			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	621,300,000	630,000,000	8,700,000
Metropolitan Transportation Authority			
Support Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,632,000,000	1,521,000,000	(111,000,000)
Total	2,253,300,000	2,151,000,000	(102,300,000)

# CAPITAL PROJECTS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

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