

Sustainability Planning

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What is Sustainability?

- Responsibility in organizational decision making
 - Environmental, Economic, and Social
 - Meet needs of today without compromising ability to meet future needs





Why is PSTA Sustainable?

- Provides public transportation services
 - Riding public transit is one of the top actions a person can take to be environmentally sustainable
 - Emissions
 - Fossil fuel use
 - PSTA connects people to jobs, healthcare and the community





History

- APTA Sustainability Commitment
 - PSTA Founding Signatory
- PSTA Board Approved Sustainability Policy February 2014
- Incorporated in Path Forward Strategic Plan
 - Continuous improvement for riders & community
 - Public outreach commitment

Collaborative transportation policy & priority setting

- Sustainable decision making
- Sustainable capital program



Sustainability Planning Approach

Path Forward Plan Sustainability Priorities Baseline Measurement Goals for Improvement above Baseline Tailored PSTA Sustainability Program **Evaluate Performance of Sustainability Initiatives**

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PSTA Accomplishments

- Recycling & reuse program with improved tracking system
- Expansion of programs increasing access to transportation
 - Increase in TD Program participation
 - Direct Connect Program
 - UPASS
- Expanded Employee Wellness Program
- Sustainable Bus Purchases
 - Increased hybrid fleet from 32-60
 - 7 new BAE hybrids ordered
- Life-cycle costing







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Environmental Sustainability of Transit Fleet

 Improve environmental sustainability by reducing overall use of fossil fuels and improving fuel economy

Baseline Average Fuel Economy of Fleet = 4.0 Miles/Gallon

Financial Sustainability of Transit Fleet

Long-term sustainable capital program

Social Sustainability of Transit Fleet

 Most important function – provide as much public transportation as possible to our citizens



Sustainability Goals

- Consistent with Path Forward Plan
- Measurable

