

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

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Table KE0-1

Description	FY 2016 Actual	FY 2017 Actual	FY 2018 Approved	FY 2019 Proposed	% Change from FY 2018
OPERATING BUDGET	\$359,096,548	\$368,013,567	\$430,009,315	\$412,174,659	-4.1
FTEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A

The mission of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) is to provide the public with a safe, efficient and affordable means of travel. This budget reflects only the District of Columbia government appropriation to the agency, and provides funding policy recommendations and coordination of services under the direction of the District's Department of Transportation (Transit Delivery Division).

WMATA was created February 20, 1967. It is an interstate compact agency and, by the terms of its enabling legislation, an agency and instrumentality of the District of Columbia, State of Maryland, and Commonwealth of Virginia. This compact agency was created by the aforementioned states and the District of Columbia to plan, finance, construct, and operate a comprehensive public transit system for the Washington metropolitan area. A Board of Directors, with representatives from each of the three jurisdictions and the federal government, governs WMATA. The District has two voting members and two non-voting members on WMATA's Board. The Project Delivery Administration of the District's Department of Transportation (DDOT) oversees the District's funding of WMATA and recommends policy direction, develops service initiatives, and monitors service quality. DDOT's role is inclusive of all transit modes including Metrobus, Metrorail, and MetroAccess Paratransit service.

The agency's FY 2019 proposed budget is presented in the following tables:

FY 2019 Proposed Gross Funds Operating Budget and FTEs, by Revenue Type

Table KE0-2 contains the proposed FY 2019 budget by revenue type compared to the FY 2018 approved budget. It also provides FY 2016 and FY 2017 actual data.

Table KE0-2

(dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands						Full-Time Equivalents					
	Actual FY 2016	Actual FY 2017	Approved FY 2018	Proposed FY 2019	Change from FY 2018	% Change*	Actual FY 2016	Actual FY 2017	Approved FY 2018	Proposed FY 2019	Change from FY 2018	% Change
Appropriated Fund												
GENERAL FUND												
Local Funds	248,489	246,901	290,495	110,686	-179,809	-61.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
Dedicated Taxes	68,809	74,429	85,572	258,489	172,917	202.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
Special Purpose Revenue Funds	41,799	46,684	53,942	43,000	-10,942	-20.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	359,097	368,014	430,009	412,175	-17,835	-4.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
GROSS FUNDS	359,097	368,014	430,009	412,175	-17,835	-4.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A

*Percent change is based on whole dollars.

Note: If applicable, for a breakdown of each Grant (Federal and Private), Special Purpose Revenue type and Intra-District agreement, please refer to **Schedule 80 Agency Summary by Revenue Source** in the **FY 2019 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

FY 2019 Proposed Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

Table KE0-3 contains the proposed FY 2019 budget at the Comptroller Source Group (object class) level compared to the FY 2018 approved budget. It also provides FY 2016 and FY 2017 actual expenditures.

Table KE0-3

(dollars in thousands)

	Actual FY 2016	Actual FY 2017	Approved FY 2018	Proposed FY 2019	Change from FY 2018	Percentage Change*
Comptroller Source Group						
50 - Subsidies and Transfers	359,097	368,014	430,009	412,175	-17,835	-4.1
SUBTOTAL NONPERSONAL SERVICES (NPS)	359,097	368,014	430,009	412,175	-17,835	-4.1
GROSS FUNDS	359,097	368,014	430,009	412,175	-17,835	-4.1

*Percent change is based on whole dollars.

FY 2019 Proposed Operating Budget and FTEs, by Division/Program and Activity

Table KE0-4 contains the proposed FY 2019 budget by division/program and activity compared to the FY 2018 approved budget. It also provides FY 2016 and FY 2017 actual data. For a more comprehensive explanation of divisions/programs and activities, please see the Division/Program Description section, which follows the table.

Table KE0-4

(dollars in thousands)

Division/Program and Activity	Dollars in Thousands					Full-Time Equivalents				
	Actual FY 2016	Actual FY 2017	Approved FY 2018	Proposed FY 2019	Change from FY 2018	Actual FY 2016	Actual FY 2017	Approved FY 2018	Proposed FY 2019	Change from FY 2018
(DC00) DC PROJECTS ONLY										
(CIRC) Circulator	27,280	18,177	24,226	0	-24,226	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(MSCO) Metro Safety Commission - Oversight Comm.	0	0	750	750	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(REDF) Reduced Fares	800	800	600	600	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(SCHS) School Subsidy	18,572	18,600	19,451	9,370	-10,081	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (DC00) DC PROJECTS ONLY	46,652	37,577	45,027	10,720	-34,307	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(DS00) DEBT SERVICE										
(DS01) Debt Service - Series	10,672	10,589	18,450	29,293	10,843	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (DS00) DEBT SERVICE	10,672	10,589	18,450	29,293	10,843	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(MA00) METRO ACCESS										
(PARA) Para-Transit	25,074	23,822	25,542	27,305	1,762	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (MA00) METRO ACCESS	25,074	23,822	25,542	27,305	1,762	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(OP00) WMATA OPERATIONS										
(BUS1) Metrobus	174,067	187,541	218,069	210,697	-7,373	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(RAIL) Metrorail	102,631	108,485	122,921	134,161	11,240	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (OP00) WMATA OPERATIONS	276,698	296,026	340,990	344,858	3,868	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET	359,097	368,014	430,009	412,175	-17,835	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Note: For more detailed information regarding the proposed funding for the activities within this agency's programs, please see **Schedule 30-PBB Program Summary by Activity** in the **FY 2019 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website. "No Activity Assigned" indicates budget or actuals that are recorded at the division/program level.

Program Description

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) operates through the following 4 programs:

DC-Specific (Reimbursable to WMATA) Projects – are not part of the regular jurisdictional share of the WMATA subsidy; they are programs or projects for which the District pays funds directly. This program contains the following 3 activities:

- **Metro Safety Commission - Oversight Commission** –The Metrorail Safety Commission has safety regulatory and enforcement authority over the WMATA Metrorail system and acts as the state safety oversight authority for WMATA;

- **Reduced Fares** – operates a special fare buy-down on bus-to-rail and rail-to-bus transfers in Southeast Washington; and
- **School Transit Subsidy** – operates services associated with the School Subsidy program.

Debt Service – covers the District's annual share of financing costs for bonds sold by WMATA for the construction of the original system and for ongoing transit infrastructure rehabilitation and replacement. This payment is consistent with the Ancillary Bond Repayment Participation Agreement entered between the District of Columbia, the State of Maryland, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the United States Secretary of Transportation.

MetroAccess – provides curb-to-curb wheelchair lift-equipped van service for persons unable to use accessible conventional bus or rail services. In the District, the service has nearly 9,200 certified riders who make approximately 54,000 trips per month. WMATA contracts with private carriers for the Paratransit service.

WMATA Operations – ensures that Metrorail and Metrobus operate efficiently and timely within the District of Columbia.

This program contains the following 2 activities:

- **Metrobus Operations** – operates approximately 350 bus routes on 135 lines throughout the metropolitan area, serving an average yearly ridership of 135 million. The District has the most concentrated level of Metrobus service in the region and the largest share of Metrobus ridership. Over half of Metrobus riders are District residents; and
- **Metrorail Operations** – operates approximately 38 miles of the Metrorail system and 40 stations in the District. It provides approximately 226.5 million trips per year. WMATA manages a total of 118 miles of track in the metropolitan area with 91 stations.

Program Structure Change

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority has no program structure changes in the FY 2019 proposed budget.

FY 2018 Approved Budget to FY 2019 Proposed Budget, by Revenue Type

Table KE0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2018 approved budget and the FY 2019 proposed budget. For a more comprehensive explanation of changes, please see the FY 2019 Proposed Budget Changes section, which follows the table.

Table KE0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2018 Approved Budget and FTE		290,495	0.0
Removal of One-Time Costs	Multiple Programs	-2,051	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2019 Recurring Budget		288,444	0.0
Agency Request-Increase: To support the costs of pre-existing programmatic initiatives	Multiple Programs	32,648	0.0
Agency Request-Decrease: To align resources with operational spending goals	Multiple Programs	-28,417	0.0
Mayor's Policy-Enhance: To align budget with scheduled debt service payments	Debt Service	5,499	0.0
Mayor's Policy-Reduce: To align resources with operational spending goals	DC Projects Only	-3,000	0.0
Mayor's Policy-Shift: To align budget with projected revenues	WMATA Operations	-184,489	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2019 Mayor's Proposed Budget		110,686	0.0

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(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
No Change		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2019 District's Proposed Budget		110,686	0.0
DEDICATED TAXES: FY 2018 Approved Budget and FTE		85,572	0.0
Agency Request-Decrease: To align resources with operational spending goals	WMATA Operations	-11,572	0.0
Mayor's Policy-Shift: To align budget with projected revenues	WMATA Operations	184,489	0.0
DEDICATED TAXES: FY 2019 Mayor's Proposed Budget		258,489	0.0
No Change		0	0.0
DEDICATED TAXES: FY 2019 District's Proposed Budget		258,489	0.0
SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE FUNDS: FY 2018 Approved Budget and FTE		53,942	0.0
Agency Request-Increase: To align budget with projected revenues	WMATA Operations	19,760	0.0
Agency Request-Decrease: To align budget with projected revenues	Multiple Programs	-30,702	0.0
SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE FUNDS: FY 2019 Mayor's Proposed Budget		43,000	0.0
No Change		0	0.0
SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE FUNDS: FY 2019 District's Proposed Budget		43,000	0.0
GROSS FOR KE0 - WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY		412,175	0.0

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FY 2019 Proposed Budget Changes

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) proposed FY 2019 gross budget is \$412,174,659, which represents a 4.1 percent decrease from its FY 2018 approved gross budget of \$430,009,315. The budget is comprised of \$110,685,914 in Local funds, \$258,488,745 in Dedicated Taxes, and \$43,000,000 in Special Purpose Revenue funds.

Recurring Budget

The FY 2019 budget for WMATA includes a reduction of \$2,051,000 to account for the removal of one-time funding appropriated in FY 2018, of which \$2,000,000 supported the initiative to reduce overcrowding during peak hours on several bus routes and \$51,000 was to alleviate overcrowding on the D31 bus used by Shepherd Park students going to Deal Middle and Woodrow Wilson High schools.

Mayor's Proposed Budget

Annually, the District of Columbia, State of Maryland, Virginia, including the counties within the Greater Washington Metropolitan Area, subsidize part of the operating costs of the Metro System. In FY 2019, WMATA reallocates funding along appropriated funds to ensure that each program receives its local share of funding. Also, the funding, management, and operations of the Circulator Bus program will be transferred, effective July 2018, to the District Department of Transportation.

Agency Request – Increase: In Local funds, the FY 2019 proposed budget for WMATA includes an increase of \$32,648,289 across multiple programs. This increase is comprised of \$27,304,607 in Metro Access because of the reallocation of resources from Special Purpose Revenue funds, and \$5,343,682 to support Debt Service payments that are due in FY 2019.

In Special Purpose Revenue funds, the FY 2019 proposed budget increased by \$19,760,152 in the WMATA Operations program to support the District of Columbia annual subsidy payment to the WMATA system.

Agency Request – Decrease: The FY 2019 proposed Local funds budget for WMATA decreased by \$28,416,724 across multiple programs primarily because of the transfer of the operations and management of the Circulator bus to the District Department of Transportation. The decrease includes reductions of \$26,096,280 for DC-Specific Projects and \$2,320,444 for the WMATA Operations program.

The proposed budget in Dedicated Taxes decreased by \$11,572,185 in the WMATA Operations program based on revenue projections from Parking Taxes.

The Special Purpose Revenue funds budget decreased by \$30,702,382 across multiple programs. Of this amount, \$25,542,230 was in Metro Access program due to the reallocation of funding to Local funds, and \$5,160,152 was in DC-Specific Projects due to the transfer of the WMATA Projects fund (fund 6030) and the Circulator fund (fund 6031) to the District Department of Transportation.

Mayor's Policy – Enhance: The proposed FY 2019 budget for WMATA includes an enhancement of \$5,499,194 in Debt Service to allow WMATA to increase borrowing and expand its capital program in FY 2019.

Mayor's Policy – Reduce: The Local funds proposed FY 2019 budget was decreased by \$3,000,000 due to savings in the Kids Ride Free initiative.

Mayor's Policy – Shift: The FY 2019 proposed budget includes a shift of \$184,488,745 from Local funds to Dedicated Taxes. Of this amount, \$5,988,745 is to align the budget with updated estimates for dedicated parking tax revenue, and \$178,500,000 is to begin dedication of sales tax revenue to WMATA in FY 2019.

District's Proposed Budget

No Change: The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's budget proposal reflects no change from the Mayor's proposed budget to the District's proposed budget.