Suburban Service and Regional ADA Budget Results

July 2026

Budget Department

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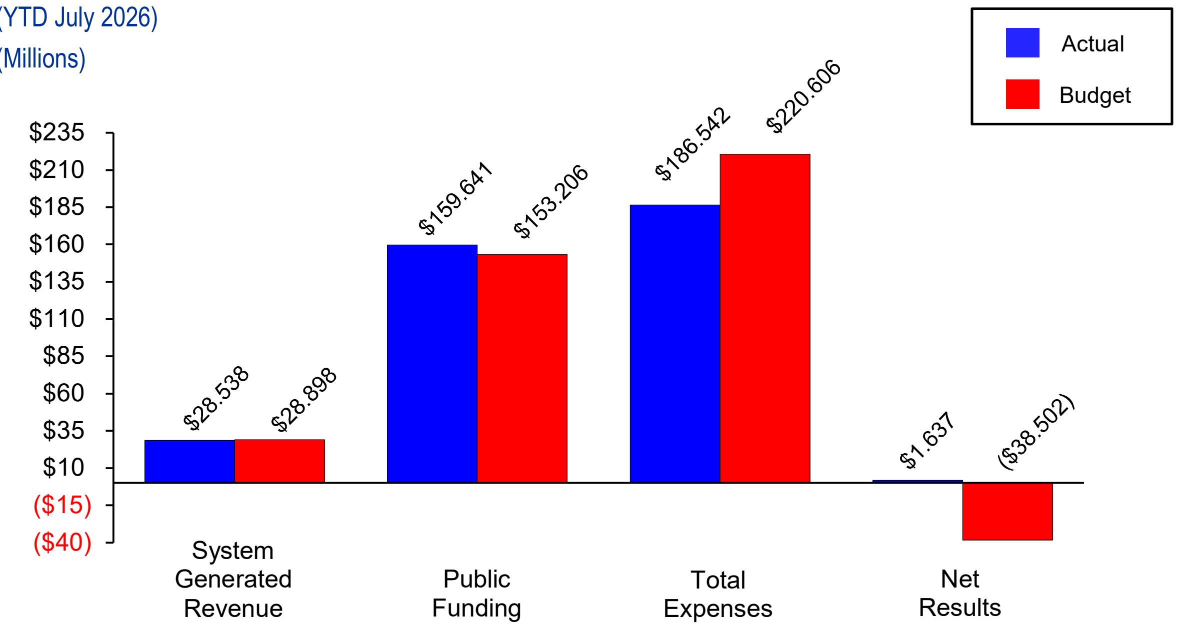
Actual Performance At-A-Glance
July 2026

Suburban Service

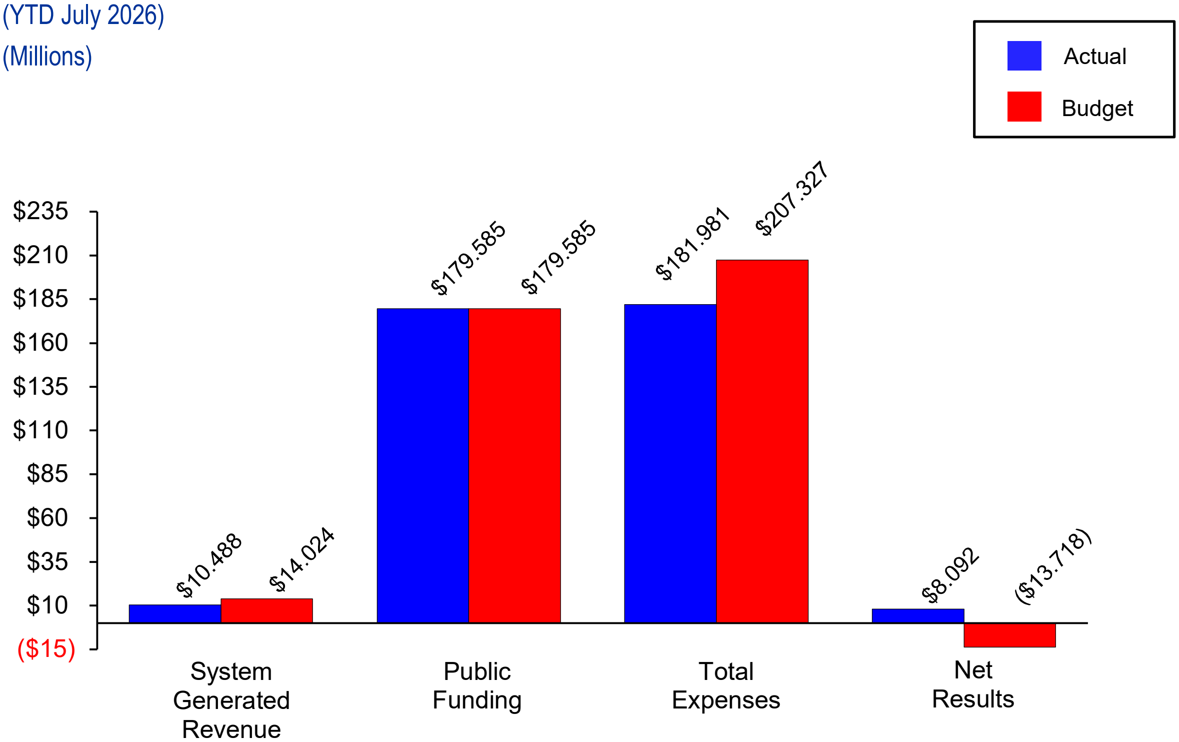
(YTD July 2026)
(Millions)



Suburban Service results reflect a positive variance of $1.6 million through July 2026.

ADA Service

(YTD July 2026)
(Millions)



ADA Service results reflect a positive variance of $8.1 million through July 2026.

Suburban Service Budget Review

Suburban Service revenues are 1.2% below budget through July.

Total expenses are $34.1 million or 15.4% below budget through July. Positive variances are noted for most line items.

Fuel expenses are 20.2% above budget through July due to increased prices. The YTD average price for diesel is $3.26/gallon, $0.59 above the budgeted price of $2.67/gallon.

The Suburban Service funding requirement is $33.7 million below budget due to favorable expense results.

Public funding revenues are 4.2% above budget through July due to the accrual of revenue expected from additional NITA Sales Tax collections.

The Suburban Service recovery ratio is 15.30% compared to a budget of 13.10% through July.

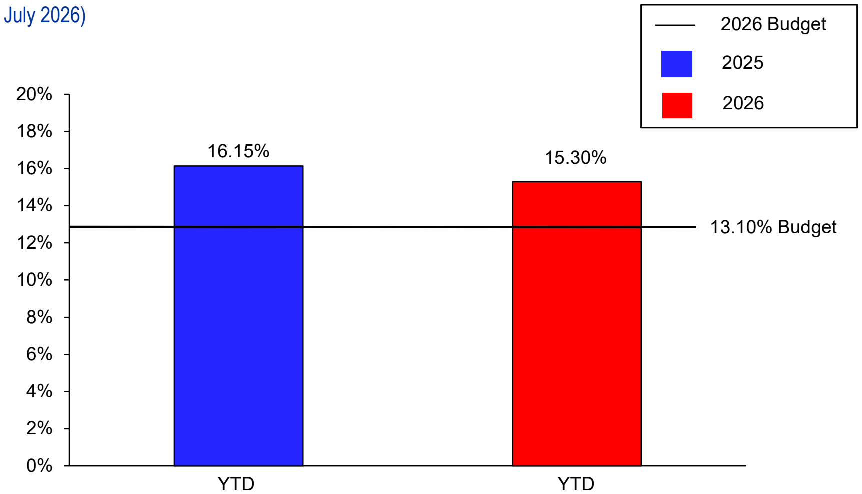
Suburban Service Detailed Budget Results

(YTD July 2026)

	Actual	Budget	Variance	% of Budget Remaining
REVENUE				
Farebox	$ 11,894,191	$ 13,130,836	$ (1,236,645)	49.85%
Half-Fare Reimbursement	1,030,549	1,029,637	912	41.62%
Advertising Revenue	405,833	542,500	(136,667)	56.36%
Other	15,207,690	14,195,035	1,012,655	37.55%
Total Suburban Revenue	$ 28,538,263	$ 28,898,008	$ (359,745)	43.79%
EXPENSES				
Fox Valley	$ 4,595,676	$ 5,271,859	$ 676,183	49.80%
Heritage	6,392,194	7,367,253	975,059	50.03%
North	5,524,616	6,034,774	510,158	47.31%
North Shore	4,834,595	5,391,399	556,804	48.33%
Northwest	13,978,278	17,684,014	3,705,736	54.48%
River	7,615,877	9,437,931	1,822,054	53.58%
South	16,392,809	18,774,255	2,381,446	49.74%
Southwest	7,706,119	8,783,997	1,077,878	49.49%
West	21,127,606	22,263,441	1,135,835	45.30%
Total Pace Operating Divisions	$ 88,167,770	$ 101,008,923	$ 12,841,153	49.73%
Highland Park	1,042,533	1,225,407	182,841	42.09%
Niles	494,757	1,014,207	519,450	71.34%
Schaumburg Trolley	318,343	327,232	8,889	48.20%
Total Public Contract Carriers	$ 1,855,633	$ 2,566,846	$ 711,213	55.19%
Other Expenses				
Private Contract Carriers	$ 2,032,354	$ 2,202,662	$ 170,308	46.09%
Demand Response Services	15,732,128	19,629,121	3,896,993	53.25%
Van Pool Program	999,115	1,081,625	82,510	49.65%
Grant-funded Service	3,778,411	3,184,442	(593,969)	-18.65%
Administration	26,989,705	39,909,337	12,919,632	60.34%
Centralized Support	17,254,623	19,283,356	2,028,733	52.20%
Fuel	10,158,657	8,451,229	(1,707,428)	30.90%
Insurance	7,425,958	9,112,059	1,686,101	52.46%
Health Care	17,854,219	21,955,373	4,101,155	52.56%
Indirect Overhead Allocation	(5,706,773)	(7,778,885)	(2,072,112)	57.21%
Total Suburban Expenses	$ 186,541,798	$ 220,606,088	$ 34,064,290	51.03%
FUNDING REQUIREMENT	$ 158,003,535	$ 191,708,080	$ 33,704,545	52.14%
FUNDING				
RTA Funding	$ 154,748,385	$ 148,811,852	$ 5,936,533	55.53%
Other Public Funding	4,892,953	4,394,352	498,601	94.14%
Total Funding	$ 159,641,338	$ 153,206,204	$ 6,435,134	61.51%
Net Results	$ 1,637,803	$ (38,501,876)	$ 40,139,679	
Recovery Ratio	15.30%	13.10%		

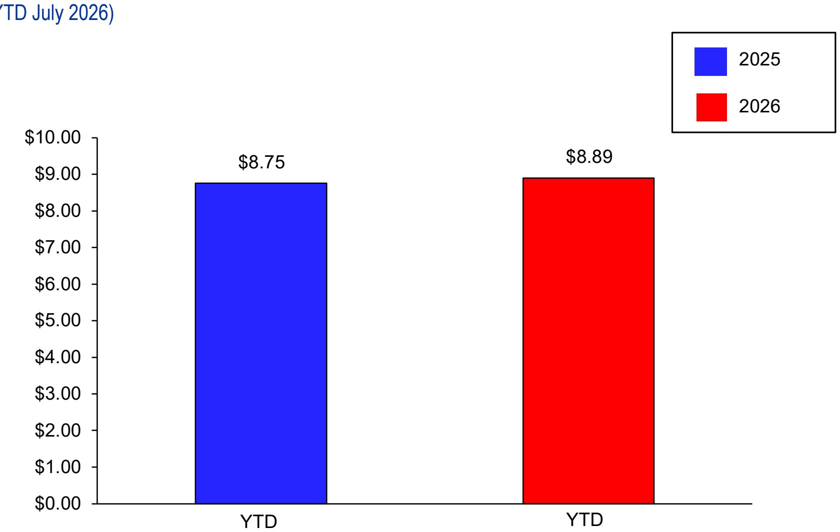
Suburban Service Indicators

Suburban Service Recovery Ratio
(YTD July 2026)



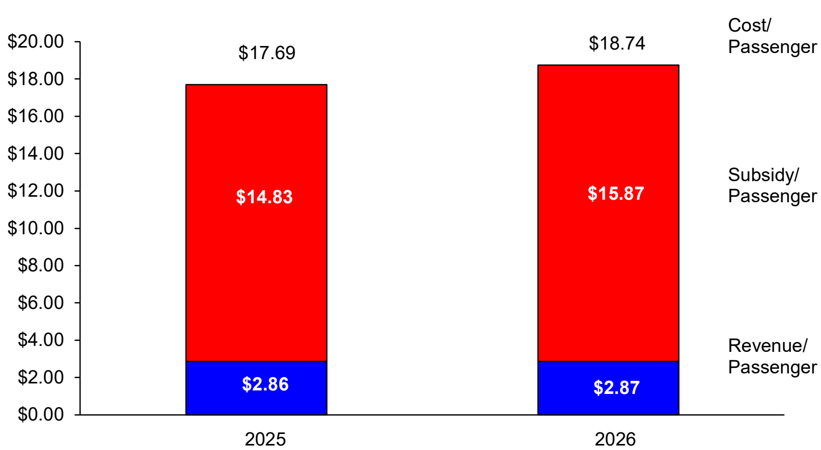
The Suburban Service recovery ratio of 15.30% is above the July phased budget of 13.10%. For comparison purposes, 2025 results do not include credits authorized by RTA which have been removed in 2026 per the NITA legislation.

Suburban Service Cost Per Mile
(YTD July 2026)



The Suburban Service cost per mile is 1.6% above prior year levels. Expenses are up 4.5% from prior year while total mileage is up 2.8%.

Suburban Service Cost Per Passenger
(YTD July 2026)



The YTD total cost per passenger is up 5.9% from July 2025 - expenses are up 4.5% and ridership is down 1.4%.

Compared to prior year levels, the average revenue per passenger is up $0.01 and the subsidy per passenger is up $1.04.

Regional ADA Budget Review

Total Regional ADA revenue is 25.2% below the July budget due to lower than expected ridership which impacts passenger fares.

Total expenses are 12.2% favorable to budget for July. Below budget ridership is contributing to below budget Purchased Transportation expense.

Per NITA direction, budgeted ridership assumes an increased TAP/RAP monthly ride limit from the 30 ride cap set in October 2025. While NITA approved an increase to 40 rides per month for qualifying riders, the resulting under budget revenue and expense is expected to continue through year-end.

The total Regional ADA funding requirement is $21.8 million favorable to budget due to favorable expense results.

Regional ADA recovery performance of 5.76% is below the phased budgeted rate.

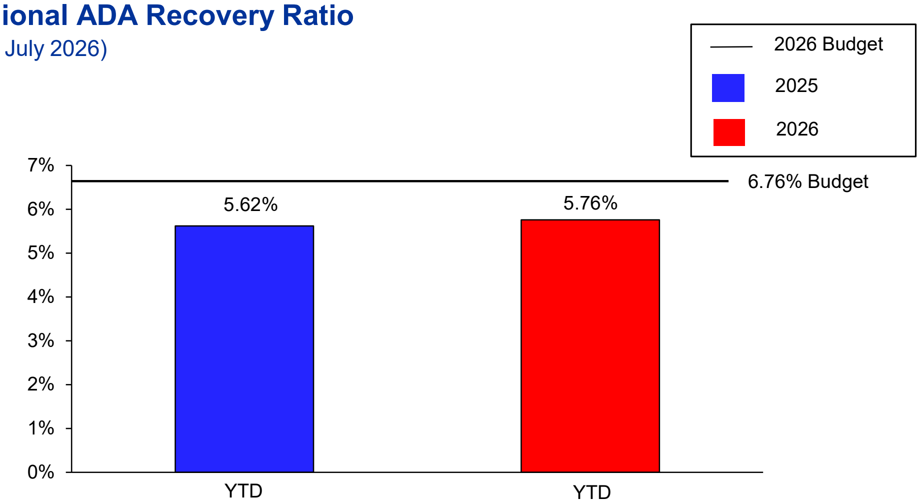
Regional ADA Detailed Budget Results

(YTD July 2026)

	Suburban ADA	Chicago ADA	Regional ADA	Regional Budget	Variance
REVENUE					
Farebox	$ 1,592,395	$ 6,766,529	$ 8,358,925	$ 12,467,214	$ (4,108,290)
Other	185,461	1,943,878	2,129,339	1,556,591	572,748
Total Revenue	$ 1,777,856	$ 8,710,408	$ 10,488,264	$ 14,023,805	$ (3,535,541)
EXPENSES					
Purchased Transportation	$ 27,695,051	$ 137,698,070	$ 165,393,121	$ 187,088,576	$ 21,695,455
Fuel	1,359,500	3,091,394	4,450,894	4,548,045	97,151
Administration	524,424	4,306,725	4,831,148	5,897,986	1,066,838
Insurance	92,040	529,183	621,222	877,482	256,260
RTA Certification	150,537	827,256	977,793	1,136,397	158,604
Indirect Overhead Allocation	0	0	5,706,773	7,778,885	2,072,112
Total Expenses	$ 29,821,551	$ 146,452,628	$ 181,980,952	$ 207,327,371	$ 25,346,419
Funding Requirement	$ 28,043,695	$ 137,742,220	$ 171,492,688	$ 193,303,566	$ 21,810,878
FUNDING					
ADA Regional Paratransit			$ 156,662,909	$ 156,662,405	$ 504
Other Public Funding			$ 16,213,842	$ 16,213,842	$ 0
ADA Reserve Funding			$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
ADA State Funding			$ 6,708,331	$ 6,708,331	$ 0
Total Funding			$ 179,585,083	$ 179,584,578	$ 504
Funding Surplus/(Shortfall)			$ 8,092,395	$ (13,718,988)	$ 21,811,382
Recovery Ratio w/Credits			5.76%	6.76%	

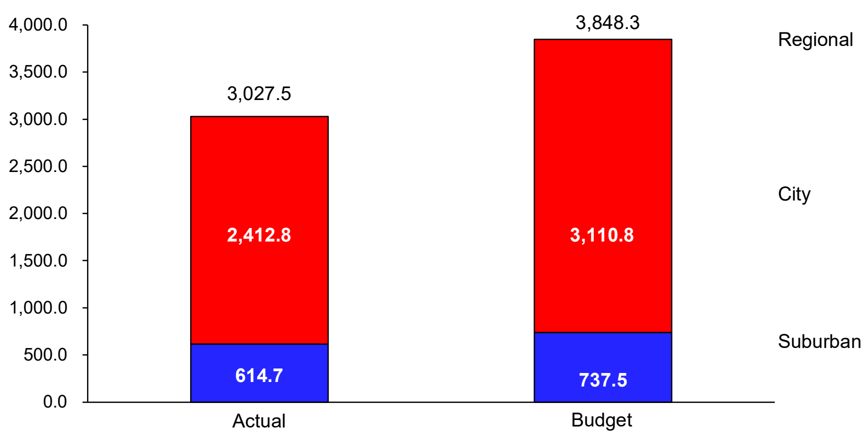
Regional ADA Indicators

Regional ADA Recovery Ratio
(YTD July 2026)



The Regional ADA recovery ratio is below the July 2026 phased budgeted rate of 6.76%. For comparison purposes, 2025 results do not include credits authorized by RTA which have been removed in 2026 per the NITA legislation.

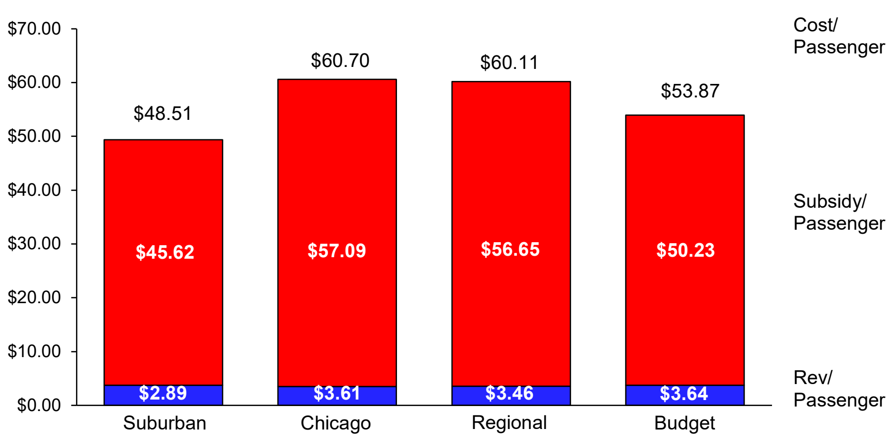
Regional ADA Ridership
(YTD July 2026)
(Thousands)



Ridership excludes Personal Care Attendants (PCAs).

Regional ADA ridership is 21.3% below budget through July 2026 and is down 11.4% from July 2025.

Regional ADA Performance Per Passenger
(YTD July 2026)



Ridership excludes Personal Care Attendants (PCAs).

The Regional ADA cost per passenger is $6.24 above budget through July.

Revenue per rider is $0.18 below budget and the total subsidy per passenger is $6.42 above budget.

Budget Results by Program

(YTD July 2026)

	Pace Divisions w/ Grant-funded Service	Public Carriers	Private Carriers	Demand Response Services	Vanpool	Administration	Central Support	Total Suburban Srv Actual	Total Suburban Srv Budget	Total Suburban Srv Variance
REVENUE										
Farebox	$ 9,880,916	$ 64,181	$ 71,601	$ 1,285,918	$ 591,575	$ 0	$ 0	$ 11,894,191	$ 13,130,836	$ (1,236,645)
Half-Fare Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0	1,030,549	0	1,030,549	1,029,637	912
Advertising Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	405,833	0	405,833	542,500	(136,667)
Other	675,104	380,442	375,046	6,903,577	0	6,873,521	0	15,207,690	14,195,035	1,012,655
Total Revenue	$ 10,556,020	$ 444,624	$ 446,647	$ 8,189,495	$ 591,575	$ 8,309,903	$ 0	$ 28,538,263	$ 28,898,008	$ (359,745)
EXPENSES										
Operations										
Labor/Fringes	$ 62,211,873	$ 657,114	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 3,226,495	$ 66,095,483	$ 74,790,023	$ 8,694,540
Parts/Supplies	2,336	74	0	0	0	0	1,281,915	1,284,325	1,407,548	123,223
Purchased Transportation	0	318,343	2,032,354	15,605,745	0	0	0	17,956,441	22,122,818	4,166,377
Fuel	0	0	0	0	391,509	0	10,158,657	10,550,166	8,853,088	(1,697,078)
Other	251,519	8,240	0	11,547	607,606	0	0	878,911	883,022	4,111
Subtotal	$ 62,465,728	$ 983,771	$ 2,032,354	$ 15,617,292	$ 999,115	$ 0	$ 14,667,067	$ 96,765,326	$ 108,056,499	$ 11,291,173
Vehicle Maintenance										
Labor/Fringes	$ 14,349,455	$ 303,072	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,969,737	$ 16,622,264	$ 20,931,556	$ 4,309,292
Parts/Supplies	8,472,623	18,656	0	0	0	0	118,325	8,609,604	8,377,040	(232,564)
Other	366,299	60,588	0	96,525	0	0	1,674,907	2,198,319	2,198,493	174
Subtotal	$ 23,188,377	$ 382,316	$ 0	$ 96,525	$ 0	$ 0	$ 3,762,969	$ 27,430,187	$ 31,507,089	$ 4,076,902
Non-Vehicle Maintenance										
Labor/Fringes	$ 519,779	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 1,530,738	$ 2,050,517	$ 1,891,767	$ (158,750)
Parts/Supplies	525,845	0	0	0	0	0	0	525,845	532,723	6,878
Other	987,751	0	0	18,312	0	134,595	771,653	1,912,310	3,791,207	1,878,897
Subtotal	$ 2,033,376	$ 0	$ 0	$ 18,312	$ 0	$ 134,595	$ 2,302,391	$ 4,488,673	$ 6,215,697	$ 1,727,024
General Administration										
Labor/Fringes	$ 2,561,291	$ 173,632	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 15,133,743	$ 0	$ 17,868,666	$ 19,166,706	$ 1,298,040
Parts/Supplies	49,508	420	0	0	0	90,618	93	140,639	163,300	2,261
Utilities	1,400,933	572	0	0	0	892,165	570,219	2,863,890	3,669,298	805,408
Health Insurance	0	0	0	0	0	0	17,854,219	17,854,219	21,955,737	4,101,155
Liability Insurance	0	314,865	0	0	0	0	7,425,958	7,740,823	9,483,011	1,742,188
Other	246,968	57	0	0	0	10,738,583	6,110,540	17,096,149	28,168,000	11,071,851
Indirect Overhead Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(5,706,773)	(7,778,885)	(2,072,112)
Subtotal	$ 4,258,700	$ 489,546	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 26,855,110	$ 31,961,029	$ 57,857,612	$ 74,826,803	$ 16,969,191
Total Expenses	$ 91,946,181	$ 1,855,633	$ 2,032,354	$ 15,732,128	$ 999,115	$ 26,989,705	$ 52,693,456	$ 186,541,798	$ 220,606,088	$ 34,064,290
Funding Requirement	$ 81,390,161	$ 1,411,009	$ 1,585,707	$ 7,542,634	$ 407,539	$ 18,679,802	$ 52,693,456	$ 158,003,535	$ 191,708,080	$ 33,704,545
RTA Funding								$ 154,748,385	$ 148,811,852	$ 5,936,533
Other Public Funding								$ 4,892,953	$ 4,394,352	$ 498,601
State Funding								$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
Transfer Capital								$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
Total Funding								$ 159,641,338	$ 153,206,204	$ 6,435,134
Funding Surplus/(Shortfall)								$ 1,637,803	$ (38,501,876)	$ 40,139,679
Recovery Ratio	11.48%	23.96%	21.98%	52.06%	59.21%	30.79%		15.30%	13.10%	

Budget Results by Program

(YTD July 2026)

	Suburban ADA Actual	Chicago ADA Actual	Total ADA Actual	ADA Budget	ADA Variance	Combined System Actual	Combined System Budget	Combined System Variance
REVENUE								
Farebox	$ 1,592,395	$ 6,766,529	$ 8,358,925	$ 12,467,214	$ (4,108,290)	$ 20,253,116	$ 25,598,050	$ (5,344,934)
Half-Fare Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0	1,030,549	1,029,637	912
Advertising Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	405,833	542,500	(136,667)
Other	185,461	1,943,878	2,129,339	1,556,591	572,748	17,337,029	15,751,626	1,585,403
Total Revenue	$ 1,777,856	$ 8,710,408	$ 10,488,264	$ 14,023,805	$ (3,535,541)	$ 39,026,527	$ 42,921,813	$ (3,895,286)
EXPENSES								
Operations								
Labor/Fringes	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 66,095,483	$ 74,790,023	$ 8,694,540
Parts/Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	1,284,325	1,407,548	123,223
Purchased Transportation	27,695,051	137,698,070	165,393,121	187,088,576	21,695,455	183,349,562	209,211,394	25,861,832
Fuel	1,359,500	3,091,394	4,450,894	4,548,045	97,151	15,001,059	13,401,133	(1,599,926)
Other	0	0	0	0	0	878,911	883,022	4,111
Subtotal	$ 29,054,551	$ 140,789,464	$ 169,844,015	$ 191,636,621	$ 21,792,606	$ 266,609,341	$ 299,693,120	$ 33,083,779
Vehicle Maintenance								
Labor/Fringes	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 16,622,264	$ 20,931,556	$ 4,309,292
Parts/Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	8,609,604	8,377,040	(232,564)
Other	0	0	0	0	0	2,198,319	2,198,493	174
Subtotal	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 27,430,187	$ 31,507,089	$ 4,076,902
Non-Vehicle Maintenance								
Labor/Fringes	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 2,050,517	$ 1,891,767	$ (158,750)
Parts/Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	525,845	532,723	6,878
Other	0	0	0	0	0	1,912,310	3,791,207	1,878,897
Subtotal	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 4,488,673	$ 6,215,697	$ 1,727,024
General Administration								
Labor/Fringes	$ 478,051	$ 2,709,850	$ 3,187,901	$ 3,594,785	$ 406,884	$ 21,056,568	$ 22,761,491	$ 1,704,923
Parts/Supplies	0	7	7	1,138	1,131	140,646	164,438	23,792
Utilities	0	277,991	277,991	256,205	(21,786)	3,141,881	3,925,503	783,622
Health Insurance	92,040	539,183	631,222	836,652	205,430	18,485,441	22,792,025	4,306,584
Liability Insurance	0	(10,000)	(10,000)	40,830	50,830	7,730,823	9,523,841	1,793,018
Other	196,909	2,146,133	2,343,042	3,182,255	839,213	19,439,191	31,350,255	11,911,064
Indirect Overhead Allocation	0	0	5,706,773	7,778,885	2,072,112	0	0	0
Subtotal	$ 767,000	$ 5,663,164	$ 12,136,937	$ 15,690,750	$ 3,553,813	$ 69,994,549	$ 90,517,553	$ 20,523,004
Total Expenses	$ 29,821,551	$ 146,452,628	$ 181,980,952	$ 207,327,371	$ 25,346,419	$ 368,522,750	$ 427,933,459	$ 59,410,709
Funding Requirement	$ 28,043,695	$ 137,742,220	$ 171,492,688	$ 193,303,566	$ 21,810,878	$ 329,496,223	$ 385,011,646	$ 55,515,423
RTA Funding			$ 172,876,752	$ 172,876,247	$ 504	$ 327,625,136	$ 321,688,099	$ 5,937,037
Other Public Funding			$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 4,892,953	$ 4,394,352	$ 498,602
State Funding			$ 6,708,331	$ 6,708,331	$ 0	$ 6,708,331	$ 6,708,331	$ 0
Transfer Capital			$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
Total Funding			$ 179,585,083	$ 179,584,578	$ 504	$ 339,226,421	$ 332,790,782	$ 6,435,639
Funding Surplus/(Shortfall)			$ 8,092,395	$ (13,718,988)	$ 21,811,383	$ 9,730,198	$ (52,220,864)	$ 61,951,062
Recovery Ratio			5.76%	6.76%				