#### **Metro Transit Equity Initiatives**



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# **Today's Presentation**

- Transit serving RCAPs today
  - Transit routes/weekday trips
  - Bus Fleet
  - Boardings/Stop
  - Shelter locations (light, heat)
- Future vision (RCAPs & Jobs)
  - Transitway Planning Process
  - Community engagement
- Project Development/Construction
- Equal Opportunity
- Safe & Secure

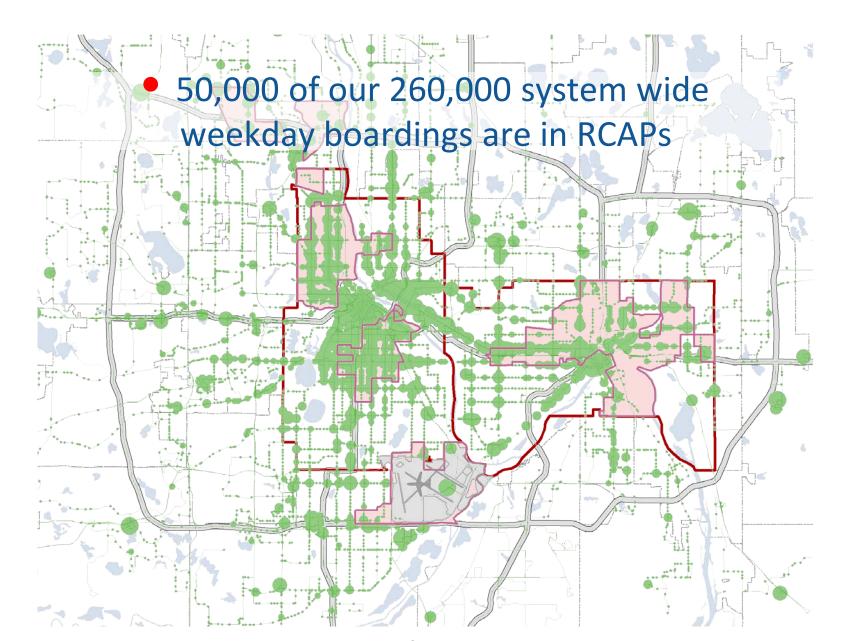




## **Existing Service**

- 46 routes serve RCAPs
- Bus trips increases since 2010
  - 5% weekdays
  - 3% Saturdays
  - 13% Sundays

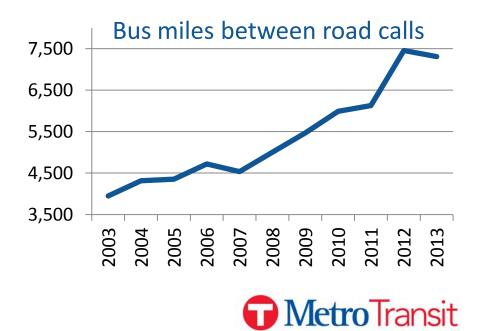
#### **Existing Ridership**



#### **Bus Fleet**

- Newer buses on RCAP routes (2011 Title VI)
- New generation of buses
  - 12% more efficient
  - 90% cleaner emissions than late 1990s
  - 85% improvement in reliability
  - Quieter inside and out



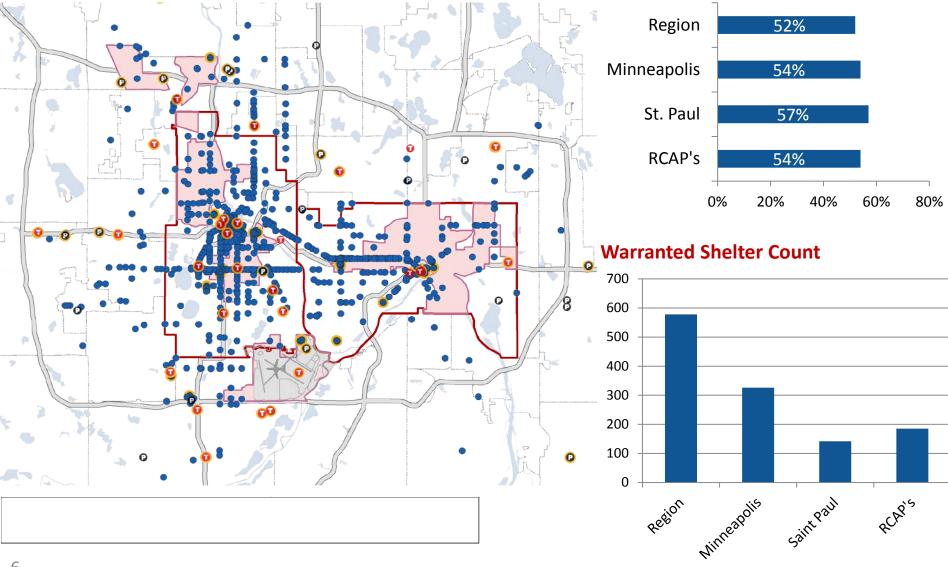


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#### **Existing Shelter Locations**

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#### Warranted Shelter Placement Rate



## 2014-2015 Shelter Capital Activities



#### Shelter Replacements



Amenities (e.g., light & heat)

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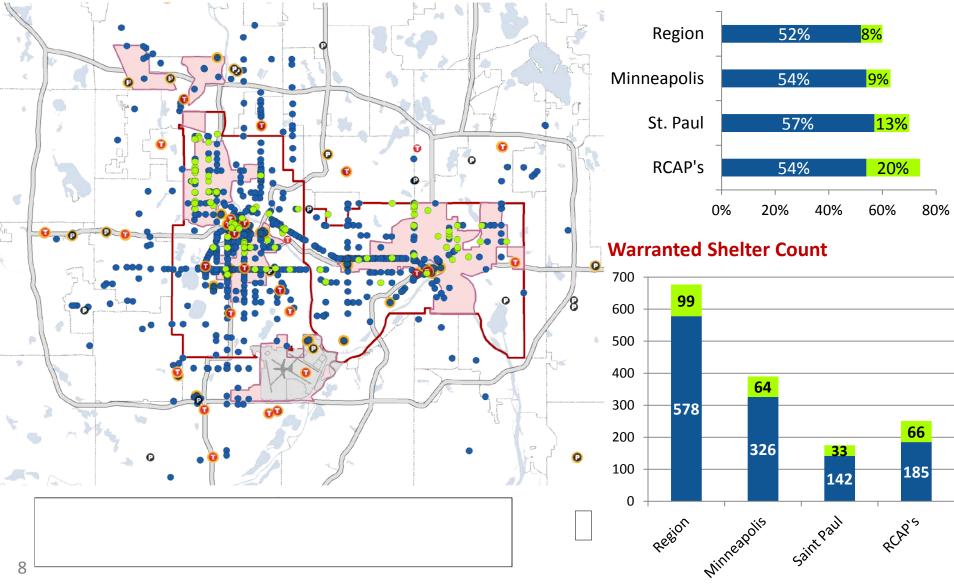


**New Shelter Installations** 

- 75-100 new shelter locations
  - RCAP focus
- 75-100 old shelters replaced

#### **Additional Shelters**

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#### Warranted Shelter Placement Rate

#### **Shelter Amenity Improvements**

- 2014 Ladders of Opportunity grant
  - \$3 million application
  - Add features like solar powered light, heat, transit information
  - At 125-150 existing locations
  - 10+% towards community engagement



## **Transitway Planning**

- Faster service to new destinations
- Improve frequency and span of service
- Improve connections & reliability
- Optimize efficiency
- Integrate facilities & future plans
- Community informed planning



#### **Transitway Network**

#### 2015 -2020

- One Arterial BRT/year
  - A Line Snelling Ave BRT
  - B Line West 7<sup>th</sup> St BRT
  - C Line Penn Ave BRT

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- Two additional
- Orange Line BRT
- SW LRT
- Bottineau LRT

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## **Community Engagement**

- Increase staff resource
- Strengthen community relationships to inform planning
- Increase participation of underrepresented communities
- Promote learning from available communication tools and information
- Build plans that serve the needs of local residents



## **Project Development/Construction Goals**

- Hire 32% women/minorities
- Target local labor
- Connecting transit to job opportunities
- Cultivate affordable housing opportunities at stations
- Partner with land owners and cities towards TOD



### **Equal Opportunity**



- Local economic impact
  - Disadvantaged business enterprise goals
  - Outreach to DBE firms located in or near RCAP areas
  - Workforce diversity goals
  - Enhanced business and workforce capacity/development
- Future impact
  - Metro Transit apprenticeship programs targeting RCAP areas
  - Strengthening community and partnerships with educational and workforce institutions



#### Safe and Secure

- Strengthen the relationship community members
- Participate in community events
- Additional neighborhood foot patrols
- Partner with local police and sheriff
- Work with local advocates MADDADs







# **THANK YOU**

