



Pittsburgh Regional Transit

FY 2025-2026 Preliminary Budget Information



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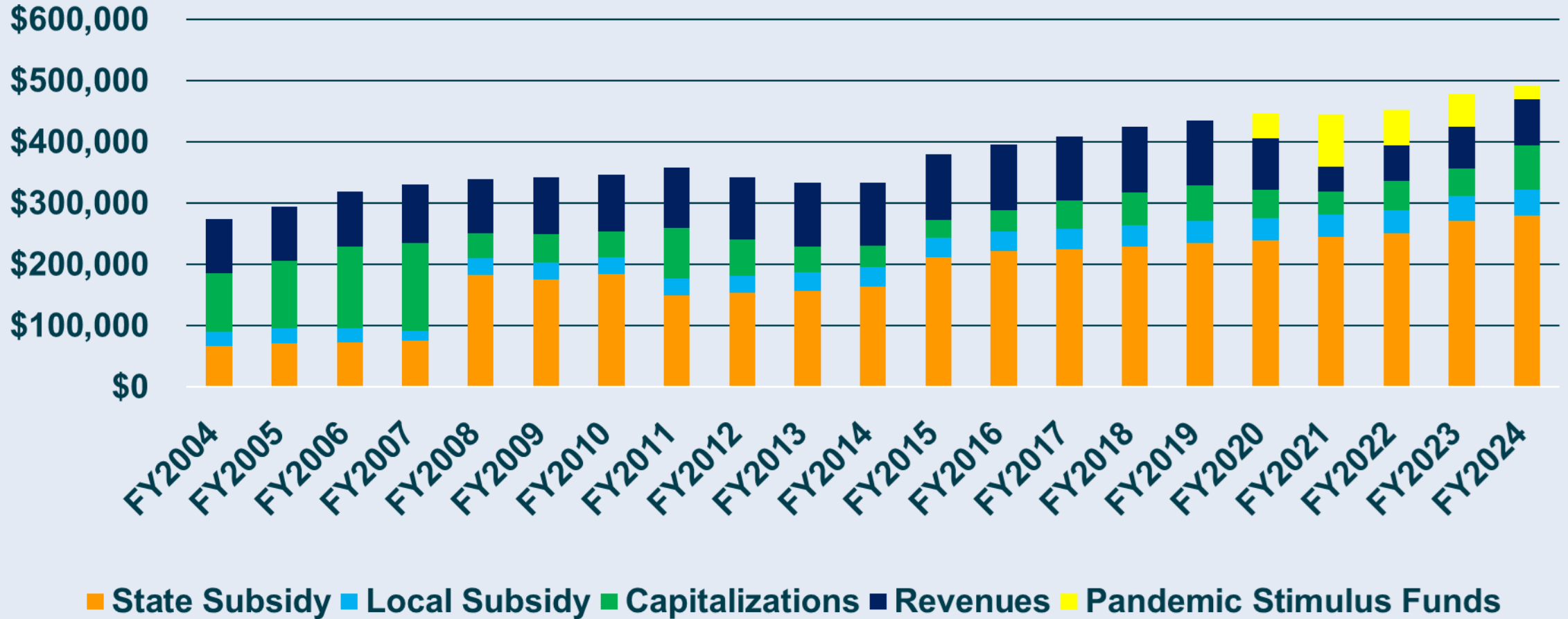
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Operating Budget Trends

PRT Funding Background

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10-Year Budget Projection: Status Quo

Revenue and Subsidy Budget Assumptions

- ✓ **Fare revenue: 4% increase in 2026 and 2027 and 2% increase in subsequent years**
- ✓ **Projections are status quo, not including any fare increases**
- ✓ **Interest: 3% rate of return compounding with reductions based on deferred revenue usage**
- ✓ **Advertising: will remain flat year over year**
- ✓ **Other Income: remains flat year over year**
- ✓ **Subsidies: State would increase 2% year over year with associated local match**
- ✓ **Capitalizations: Established a minimum of \$25M in Preventative Maintenance each year to supplement the operating budget**
- ✓ **No change in federal funding**

Status Quo Expense Assumptions

- ✓ **Represented Employee Wage Increases**
 - 3% agreed upon increases
 - Bus Line Redesign
- ✓ **Non-Union Salary**
 - 4% Merit & Performance Pool
- ✓ **Diesel Fuel Cost:**
 - 5% compounding going forward
- ✓ **Access Program**
 - 3% compounding going forward



Employee Benefit Budget Assumptions

- ✓ **Active Healthcare: Contracted cap + filled vacancies by November 2025**
- ✓ **Assumed Medical Premium Rate cap beginning January 2026**
 - UPMC 10%, Highmark 11%
- ✓ **ATU Pension assumed rate of return = 7.5%**
- ✓ **Non-Rep, IBEW, Police Pension assumed rate of return = 7.25%**
- ✓ **Pension increases in FY26 after one-year pension smoothing in FY25**

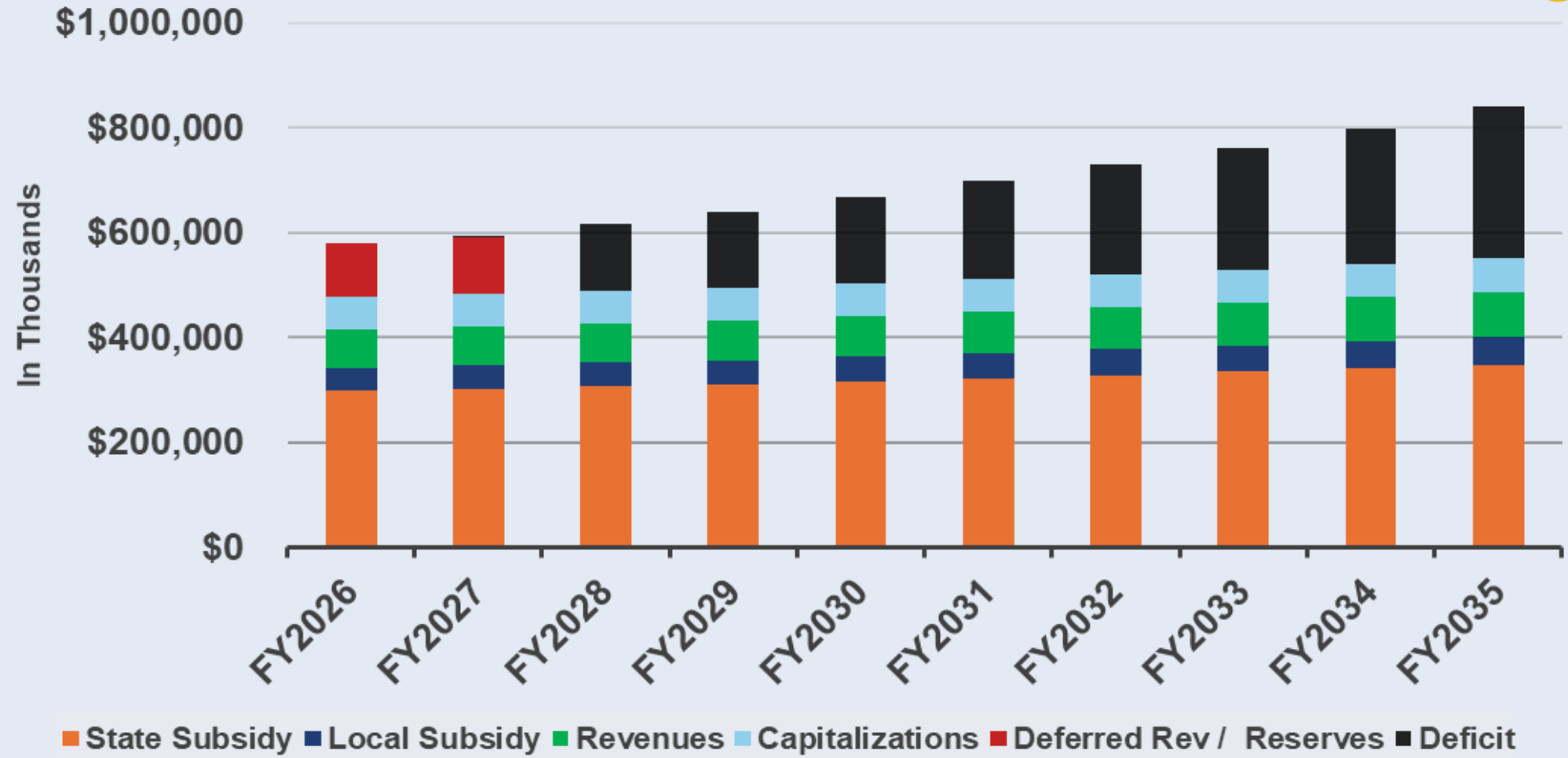
10-Year Budget Uncertainty

- ✓ State/Local Funding (Deferred Revenue/Reserves Usage)
- ✓ Ridership & Passenger Revenues
- ✓ Fuel/Utility Costs
- ✓ Labor Union Contracts
- ✓ Health Care Costs
- ✓ Pension – Stock Market Performance
- ✓ Material/Supply Cost Inflation



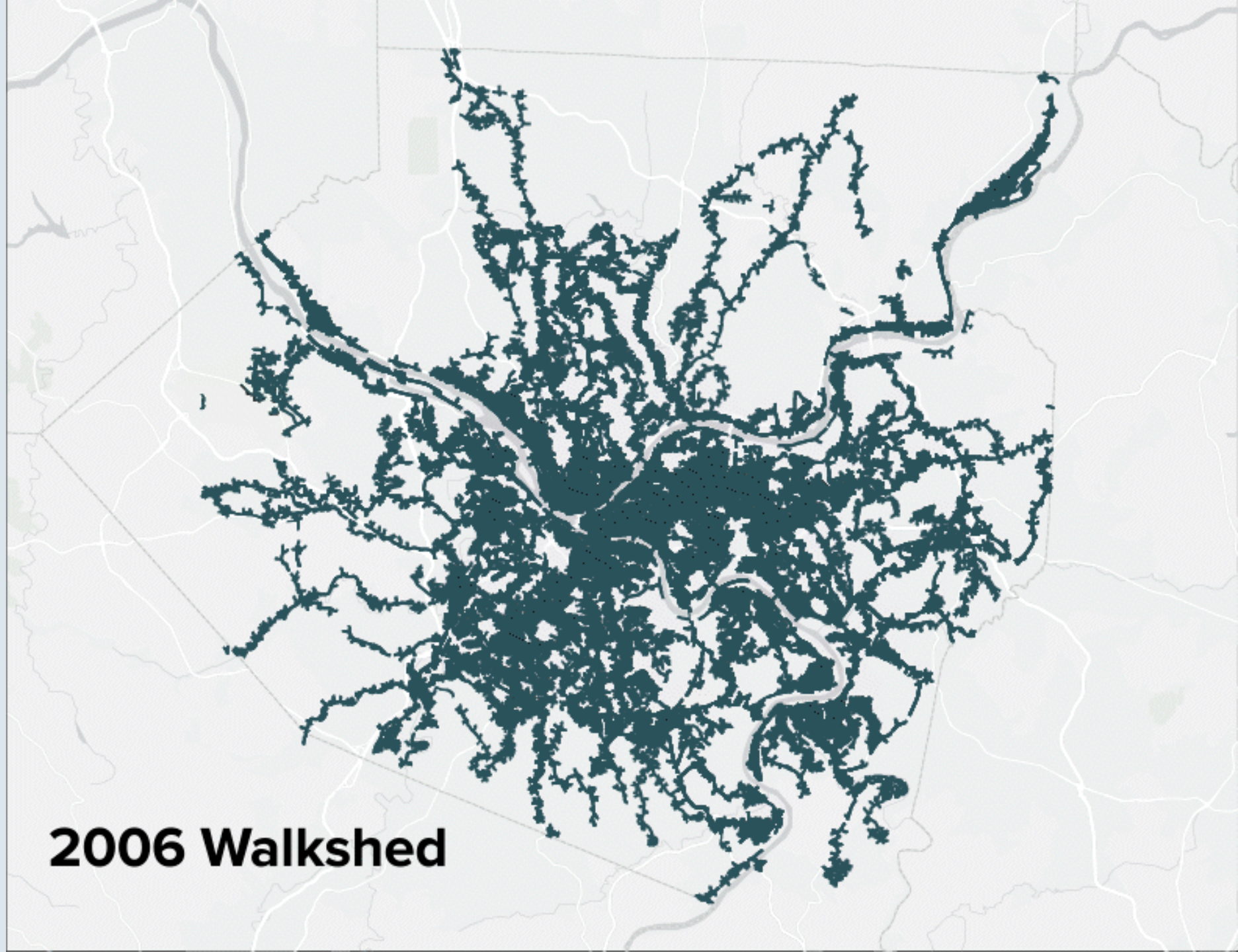
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10-Year Budget Projection: 35% Service Cut

**Access to
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Routes,
2006 – 2026
(Proposed)**



Proposed Fare Increases for Fixed Route Transit

Fare Type	Current Full Fare	Proposed Fare	Proposed Change	Proposed Percentage Change
Cash	\$2.75	\$3.00	+\$0.25	9%
Stored Value Full Fare	\$2.75	\$3.00	+\$0.25	9%
3 Hour Full Fare Pass	\$2.75	\$3.00	+\$0.25	9%
Day Pass	\$7.00	\$7.50	+\$0.50	7%
7 Day Pass Full Fare	\$25.00	\$27.00	+\$2.00	8%
31 Day Pass Full Fare	\$97.50	\$106.50	+\$9.00	9%
Annual Pass	\$1,072.50	\$1,171.50	+\$99.00	9%

- Fixed route transit includes bus, light rail, and incline services

Fare Increase and Service Reduction Revenue Impact

- ✓ Fare revenue in 2024 was \$57.1 million
- ✓ **PRT assumes a 35% reduction in service will result in a 20% reduction in ridership**
- ✓ With a proposed fare increase of \$0.25 to \$3.00 and proposed service reductions:
 - 2026 Revenue \$53.9 million
 - 2027 Revenue \$49.3 million
- ✓ Revenue loss compared to FY 2024
 - 2026 Revenue -\$3.2 million
 - 2027 Revenue -\$7.8 million
- ✓ A \$3 base bus* fare would be **5th highest in the country**

Assumptions for 10-Year Projection: 35% Service Cut

✓ Revenue

- Assumes a 20% reduction in ridership

✓ Subsidy

- Assumes unchanged at State and Local level for FY2026
- Compounding going forward at 2%

✓ Expense Reductions

- Wages/Fringe Benefits – Assumes 38% agency-wide reduction
 - After One-Year Increase in Unemployment Compensation costs
- Fuel/Materials/Supplies – Assumes 21% reduction
- Utilities – Assumes 20% reduction
- Access Program Costs: Initial 8% reduction

Additional Expense Reductions

✓ Directly related to bus garage closures:

- Purchased Services
- Diesel/Lubricants
- Materials/Supplies/Tools
- Tires and Tubes
- Utilities
- Freight and Postage



✓ Other Expense Reductions:

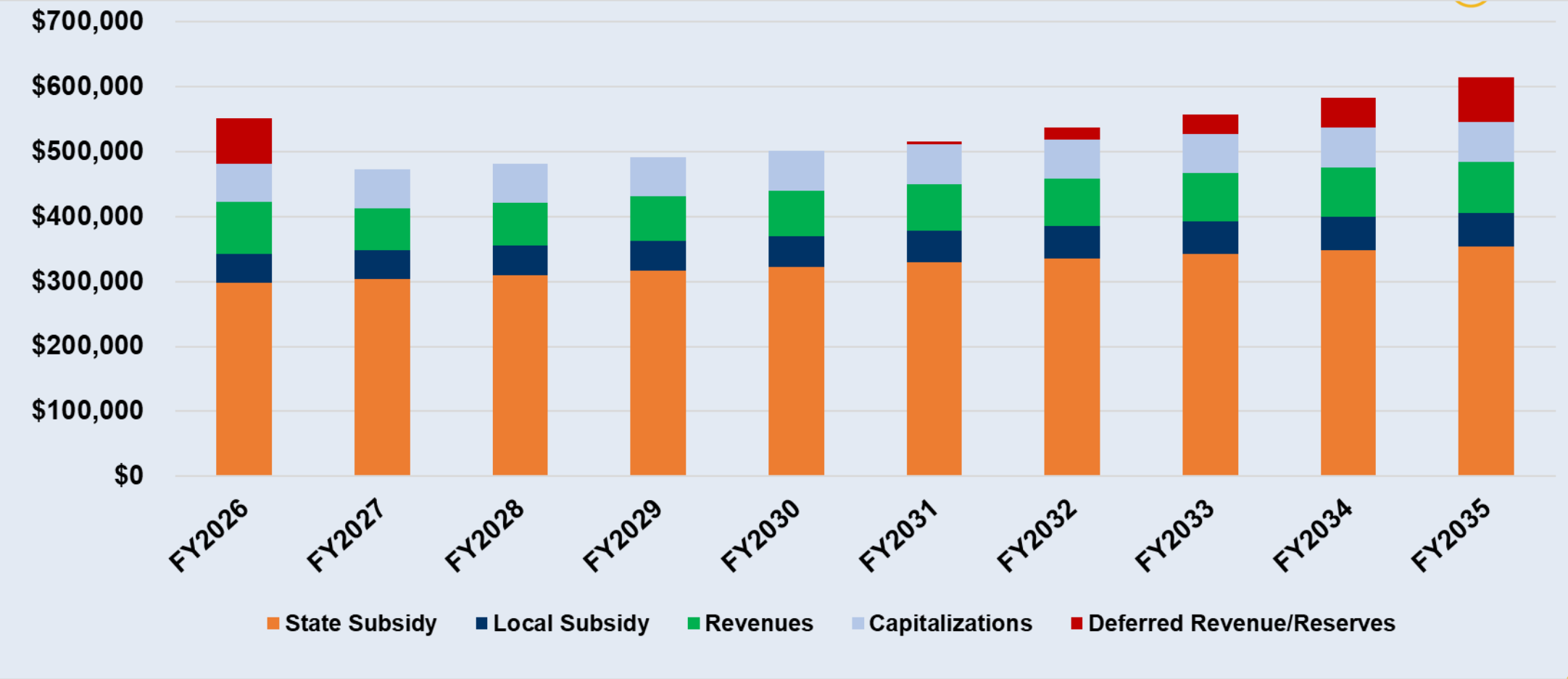
- Non-Essential Travel
- Sponsorships
- Light Rail Propulsion Power Expenses
- New Software Requests
- Claims-Related Expenses

Budget Projections

Service Cut Projections

10-Year Projection: 35% Service Cut

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FY2026 Preliminary Budget

➤ Operating Budget:

- \$538,872,695
- 0.64% decrease v. FY2025
(-\$3,487,926)

➤ Capital Budget:

- \$189,282,037
- 16.87% increase v. FY2025
(\$27,323,034)



FY2026 Preliminary Operating Budget

FY2026 Budget Assumptions

✓ **Planned 35% service eliminated**

- 2 bus garage closures
- Light Rail Silver line closed
- Special event service
- Removes Bus Line Redesign
- Wabash tunnel closed

✓ **Employee separations = 38%**

- Initial \$25.4M cost for unemployment compensation

✓ **Federal funding remains at current levels**

✓ **Decrease in passenger revenues**

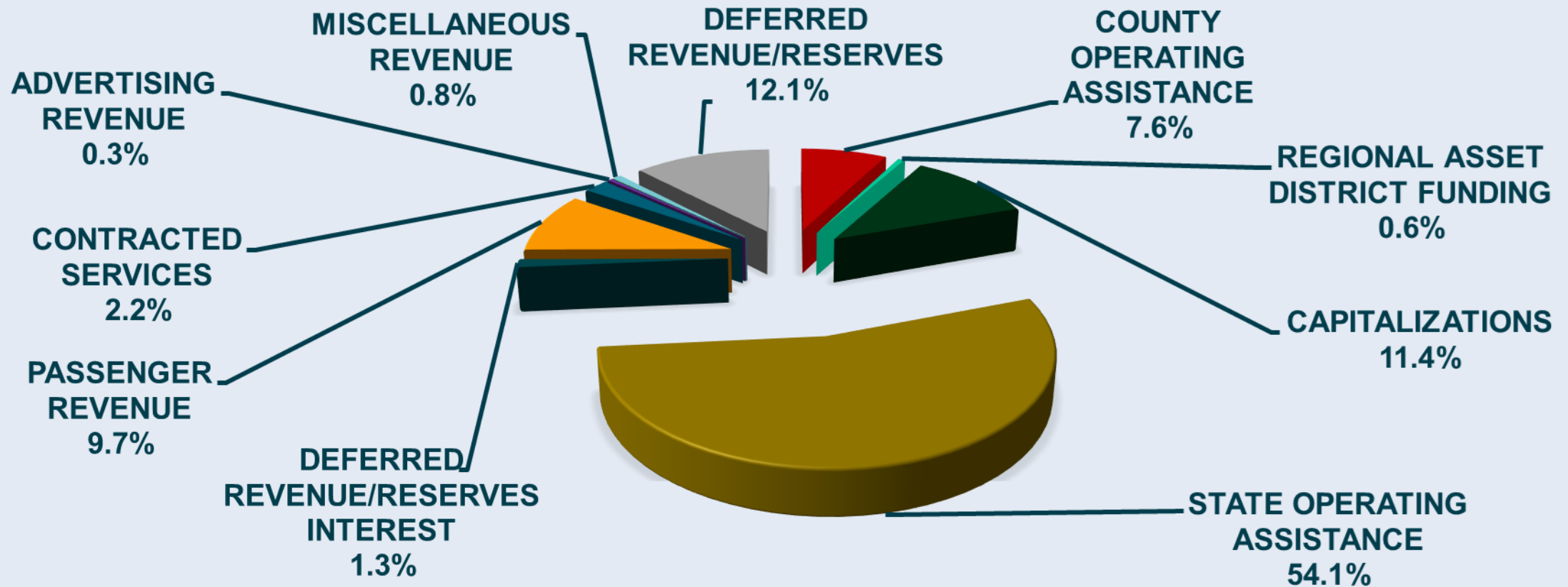
- FY2026 = 6%
- FY2027 = 14%

✓ **FY2026 expenses down \$35M from status quo scenario**

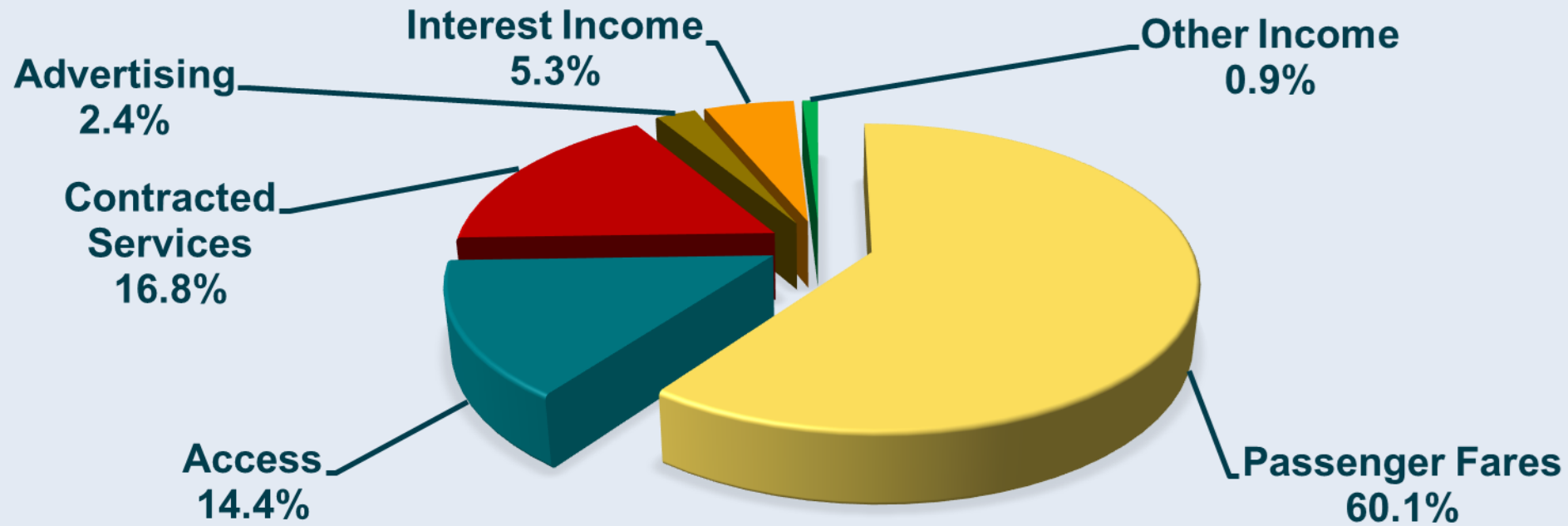
✓ **FY2027 expenses down \$147M from status quo scenario**

✓ **Deferred revenue/reserve funds projected to last through FY2035**

FY2026 Proposed Operating Budget: Revenues and Subsidies \$538.9M



Sources of Revenue: \$70.1M (13.0% of Operating Budget)

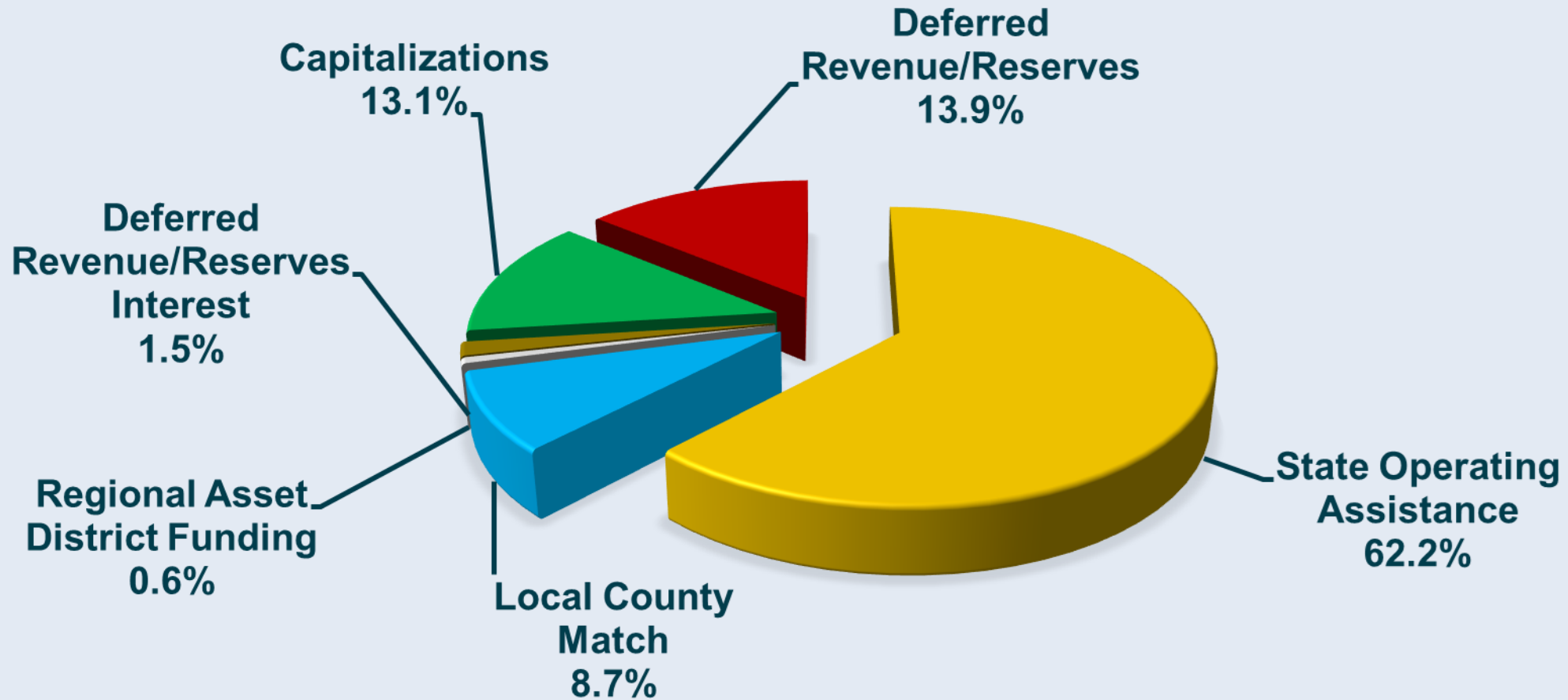


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Revenue Categories	FY2025 Budget	FY2026 Proposed	Pct Change
Passenger Revenue	\$ 50,003.288	\$ 42,113.440	-15.8%
Access Program Service	\$ 10,329.700	\$ 10,089.300	-2.3%
Contracted Services	\$ 11,991.195	\$ 11,786,560	-1.7%
Advertising	\$ 1,800.000	\$ 1,666.667	-7.4%
Interest Income	\$ 3,747.023	\$ 3,747.023	0.0%
Other Income	<u>\$ 628.545</u>	<u>\$ 657.273</u>	<u>4.6%</u>
TOTAL	\$ 78,499.751	\$ 70,060.263	-10.8%

Subsidies & Deferred Revenue/Reserves: \$468.8M (87.0% of Operating Budget)

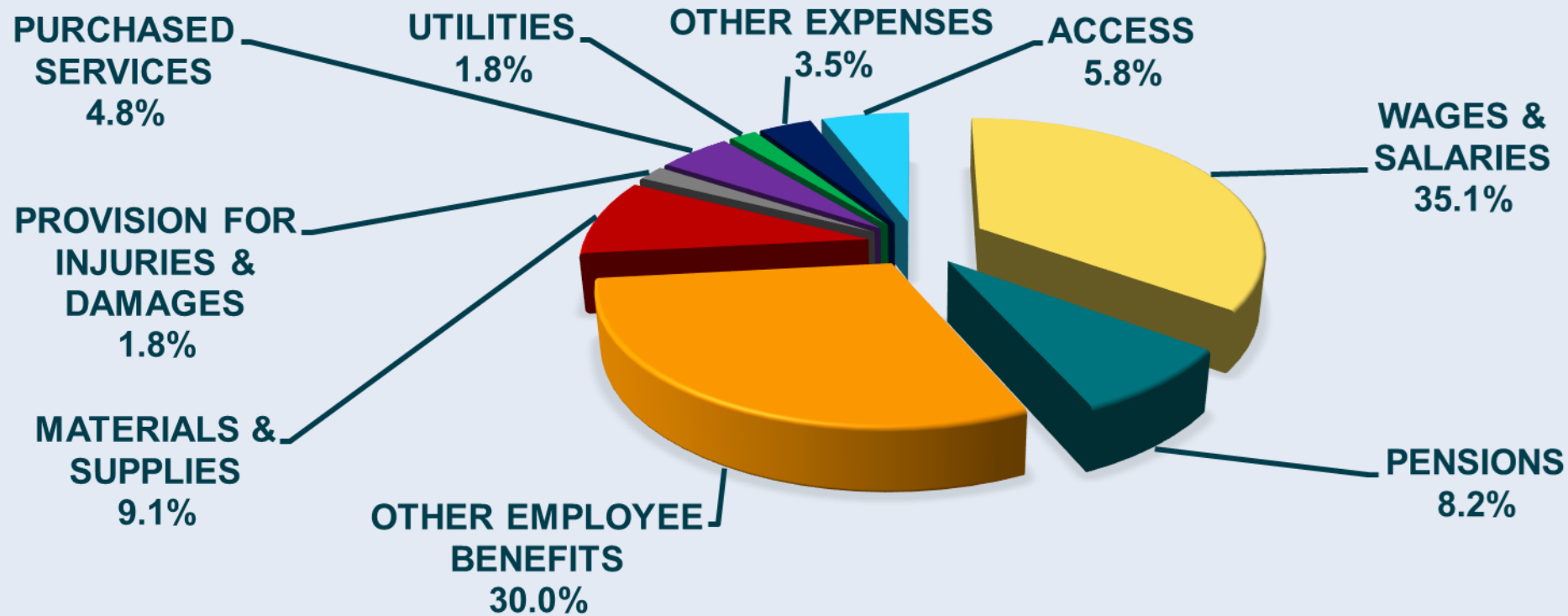
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Subsidy & Deferred Revenue/Reserves	FY2025 Budget	FY2026 Proposed	Pct Change
State Operating Assistance	\$ 291,432.765	\$ 291,432.765	0.0%
Local County Match	\$ 40,714.915	\$ 40,714.915	0.0%
Regional Asset District Funding	\$ 3,000.000	\$ 3,000.000	0.0%
Capitalizations	\$ 70,333.002	\$ 61,325.993	-12.8%
Deferred Revenue/Reserves Interest	\$ 8,594.490	\$ 7,100.919	-17.4%
Deferred Revenue/Reserves	<u>\$ 49,785.698</u>	<u>\$ 65,237.840</u>	<u>31.0%</u>
TOTAL	\$ 463,860.870	\$ 468,812.432	1.07%

FY2026 Proposed Operating Budget: Expenses \$538.9M



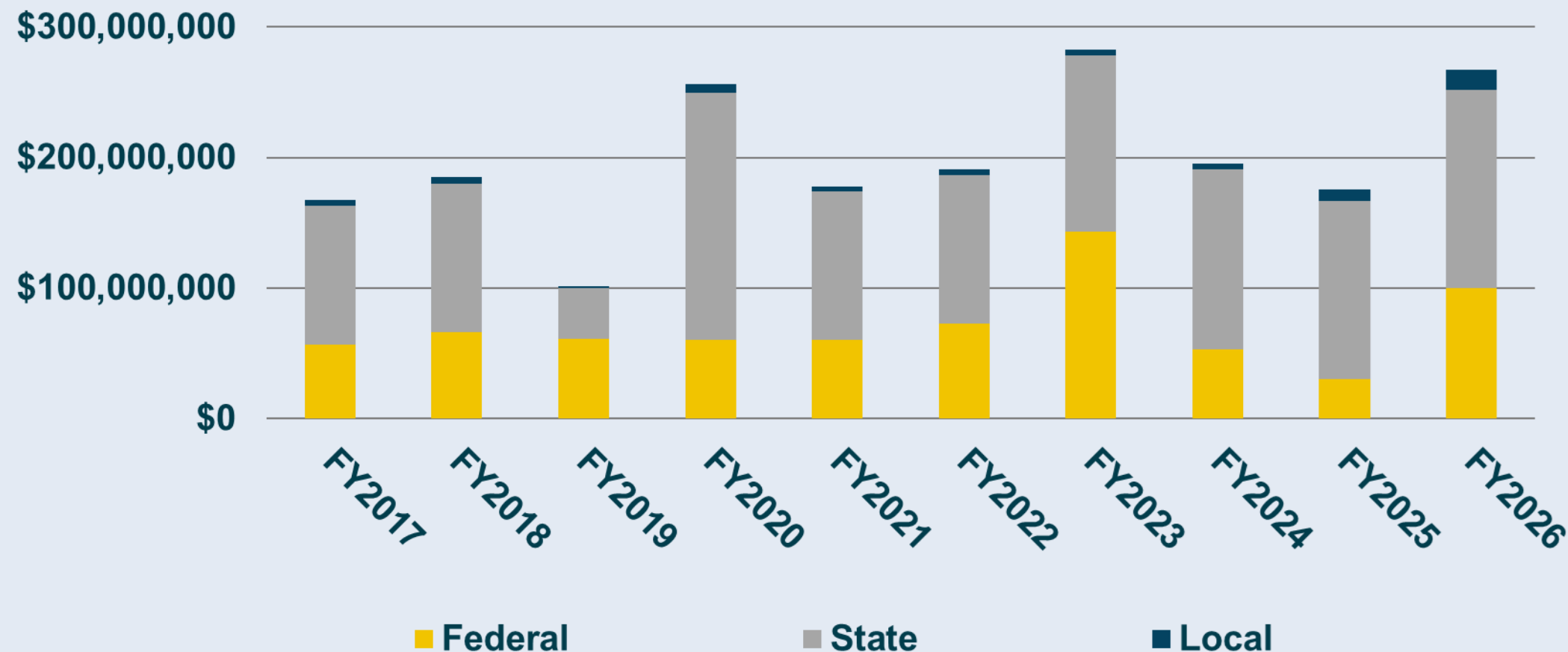
FY2026 Proposed Operating Budget: Expenses \$538.9M

Operating Expenses	FY2025 Budget	FY2026 Proposed	Pct Change
Salaries & Wages	\$ 210,755.941	\$ 188,937.316	-10.4%
Pension	\$ 25,629.520	\$ 44,325.950	73.0%
Other Employee Benefits	\$ 146,251.985	\$ 161,745.161	10.6%
Materials & Supplies	\$ 61,107.510	\$ 48,994.674	-19.8%
Provisions for Injuries & Damages	\$ 8,985.000	\$ 9,528.438	6.1%
Purchased Services	\$ 26,920.710	\$ 25,928.343	-3.7%
Utilities	\$ 10,267.200	\$ 9,528.600	-7.2%
Other Expenses	\$ 18,483.655	\$ 18,710.513	1.2%
Access	<u>\$ 33,960.100</u>	<u>\$ 31,173,700</u>	<u>-8.2%</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 542,360.621	\$ 538,872.695	-0.6%

FY2026 Preliminary Capital Budget

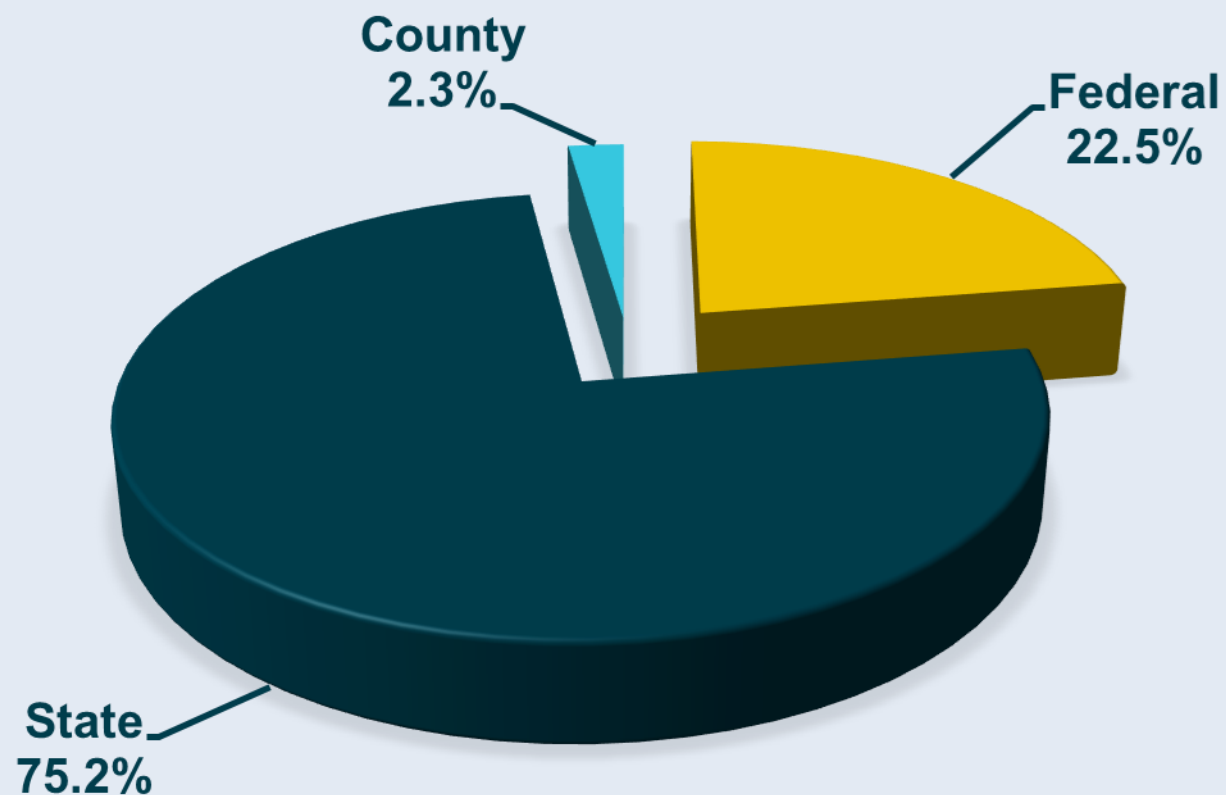
FY2026 Capital Funding Levels

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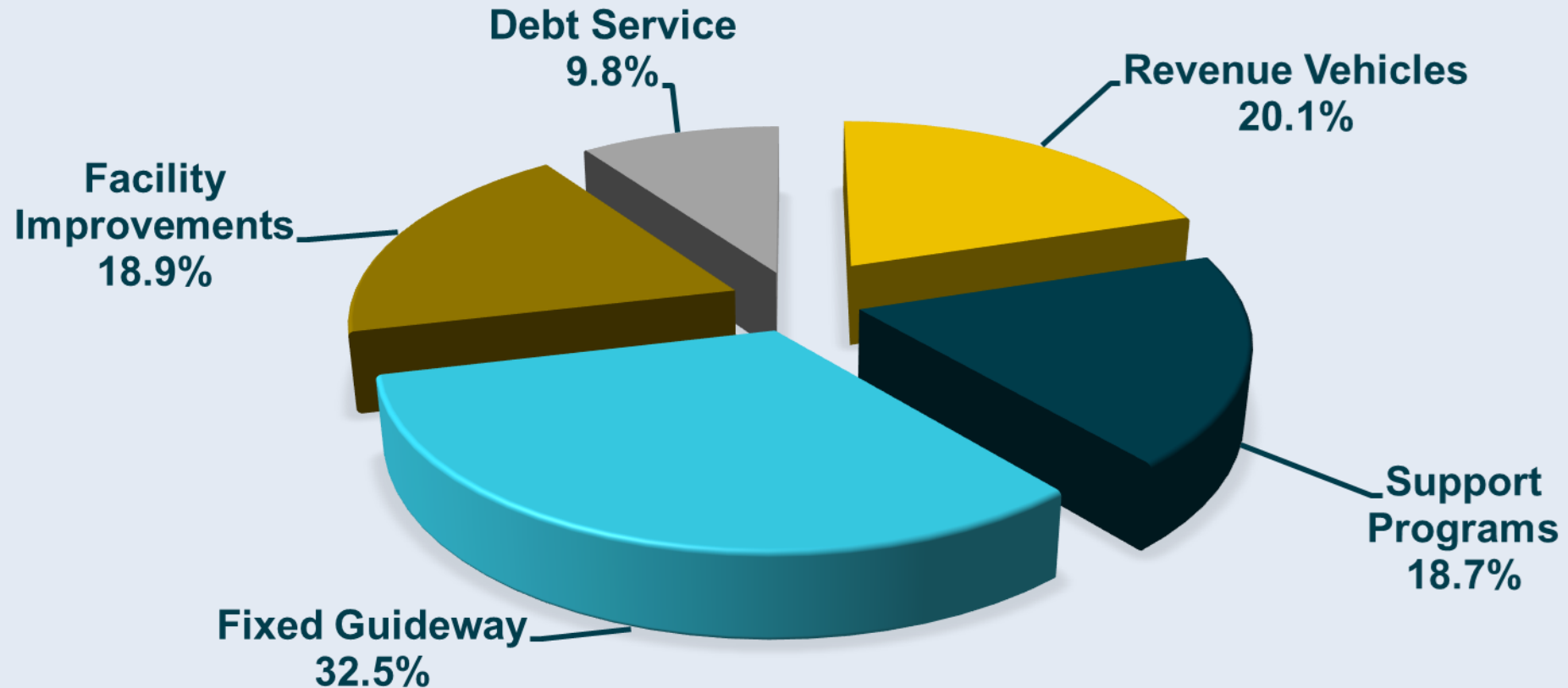
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Capital Revenue	FY2025 Amount	FY2026 Amount	Pct Change
Federal			
Section 5307,5337 SOGR, EPA	\$ <u>23,269.989</u>	\$ <u>42,525.239</u>	
Subtotal	\$ 23,269.989	\$ 42,525.239	82.7%
State			
Net State Section 1514 Discretionary	\$128,644.021	\$130,609.539	
Previously Appropriated Section 1514 Discretionary	\$ <u>1,867.757</u>	\$ <u>11,394.829</u>	
Subtotal	\$130,511.778	\$142,004.368	8.8%
County/Other Capital Funds			
County Capital Net – State of Good Repair	\$ 4,307.200	\$ 4,372.699	
LRV Fire Insurance Proceeds	\$ 3,807.793	\$ 0.000	
Previously Appropriated County State of Good Repair	\$ <u>62.243</u>	\$ <u>379.731</u>	
Subtotal	\$ 8,177.236	\$ 4,752.430	-41.9%
Total Capital Funding	\$161,959.003	\$189,282.037	16.9%



Capital Net Expenses: \$189,282,037



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Capital Expense Categories	FY2025 Amount	FY2026 Amount	Pct Change
Debt Service	\$ 18,600.750	\$ 18,597.000	0.0%
Revenue Vehicle Replacement	\$ 6,807.793	\$ 37,999.814	458.2%
Fixed Guideway Improvements	\$ 52,455.484	\$ 61,547.488	17.3%
Facility Improvements	\$ 49,445.976	\$ 35,710.000	-2.8%
Support Programs	<u>\$ 34,649.000</u>	<u>\$ 35,427.737</u>	<u>2.2%</u>
Total Capital Expenses	\$161,959.003	\$189,282.039	16.9%

Capital Improvement Projects

- ✓ Dormont Junction, Station Square, and Mon Incline Lower Station Improvements Project
- ✓ Carnegie Station Improvement Project
- ✓ All Stations Accessibility Project station design
- ✓ New Maintenance Facility Design
- ✓ Safety & Security Alerts
- ✓ Automatic Fare Refresh Completion



Next Steps

✓ Continued Communication Efforts with ALL Stakeholders

- Information
- Education
- Empowerment



✓ Budget Schedule

- ACTC Budget Review – May ACTC Meeting
- Final Budget - June Finance Committee Meeting
- Amendment Pending Additional Funding