

RTA Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority



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Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Promotions and New Hires

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Promotions



Maria Shurik
Manager of Employee Development



Thomas Allen
Budget Management Analyst

New Hires



Wendy Feinn
Budget Management Analyst

Resolutions



2021 First Quarter Retirees

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2021 First Quarter Retirees



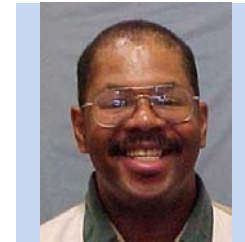
Willie Mitchell Jr.
Operator



Wesley Goodwin
Manager of Applications



Carl Senal
Operator



Benjamin Pulliam
Operator



Stephen Moore
Fiber Optic Technician



Frank Mehling
Equipment Maintainer



Nancy McComas
Service Monitor



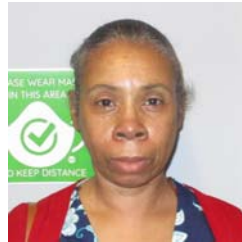
Jacqueline Moore
Operator



2021 First Quarter Retirees



Lester Hill
Transit Police Officer



Neletre Burts-Tolbert
Secretary I



Brian Wright
Service Quality Coordinator



George Jose Sanford
Operator



Steven Waller
Operator

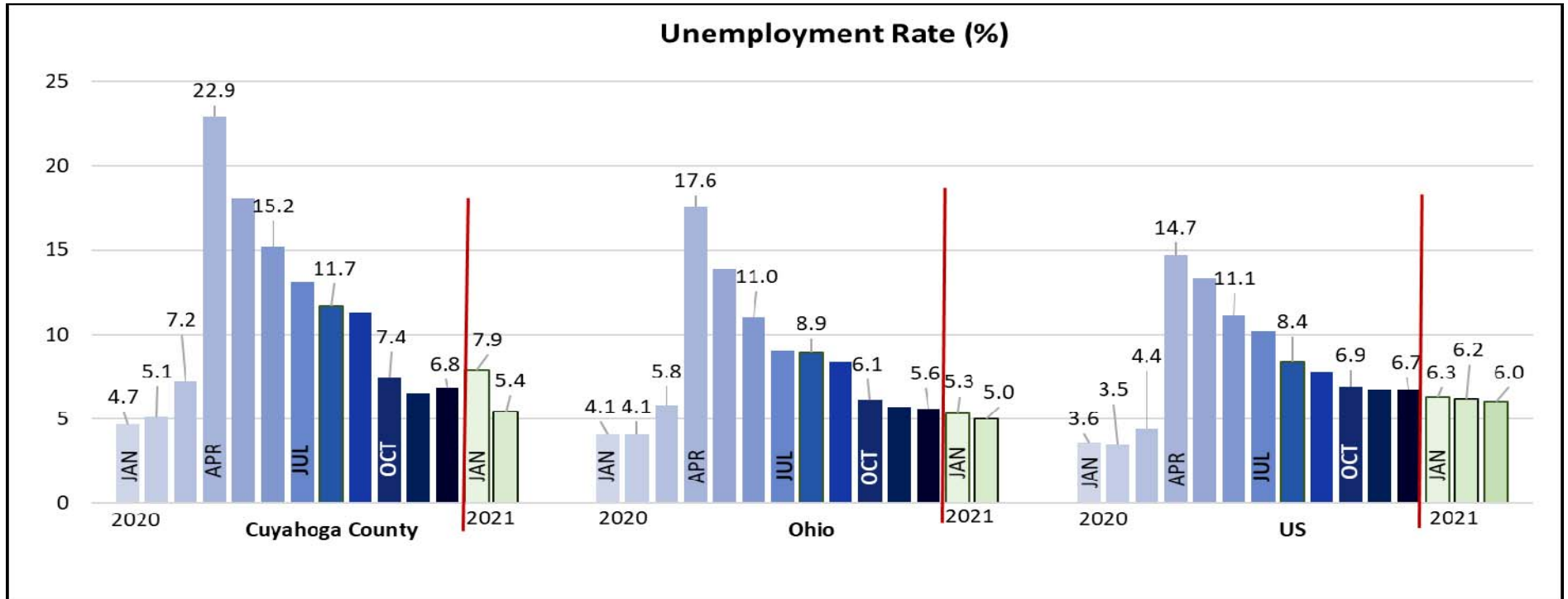


Interim Secretary/Treasurer Report

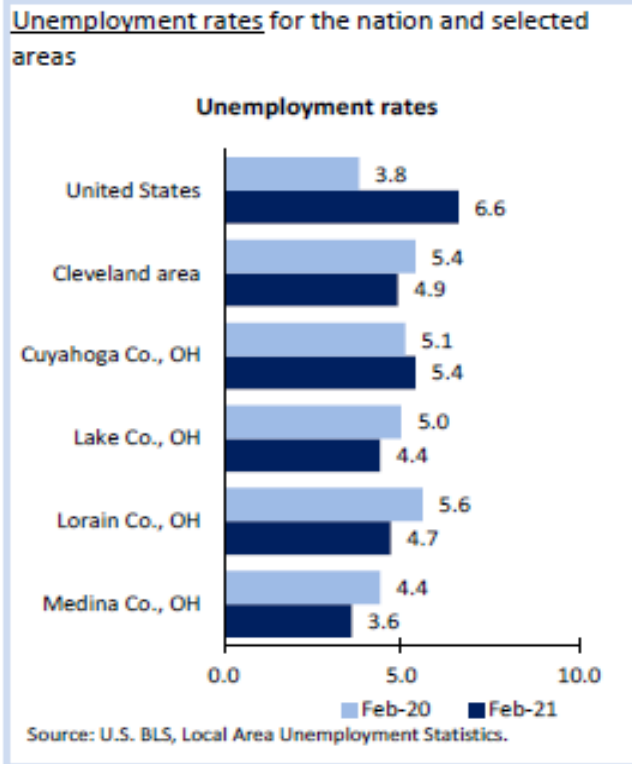
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Economic Conditions



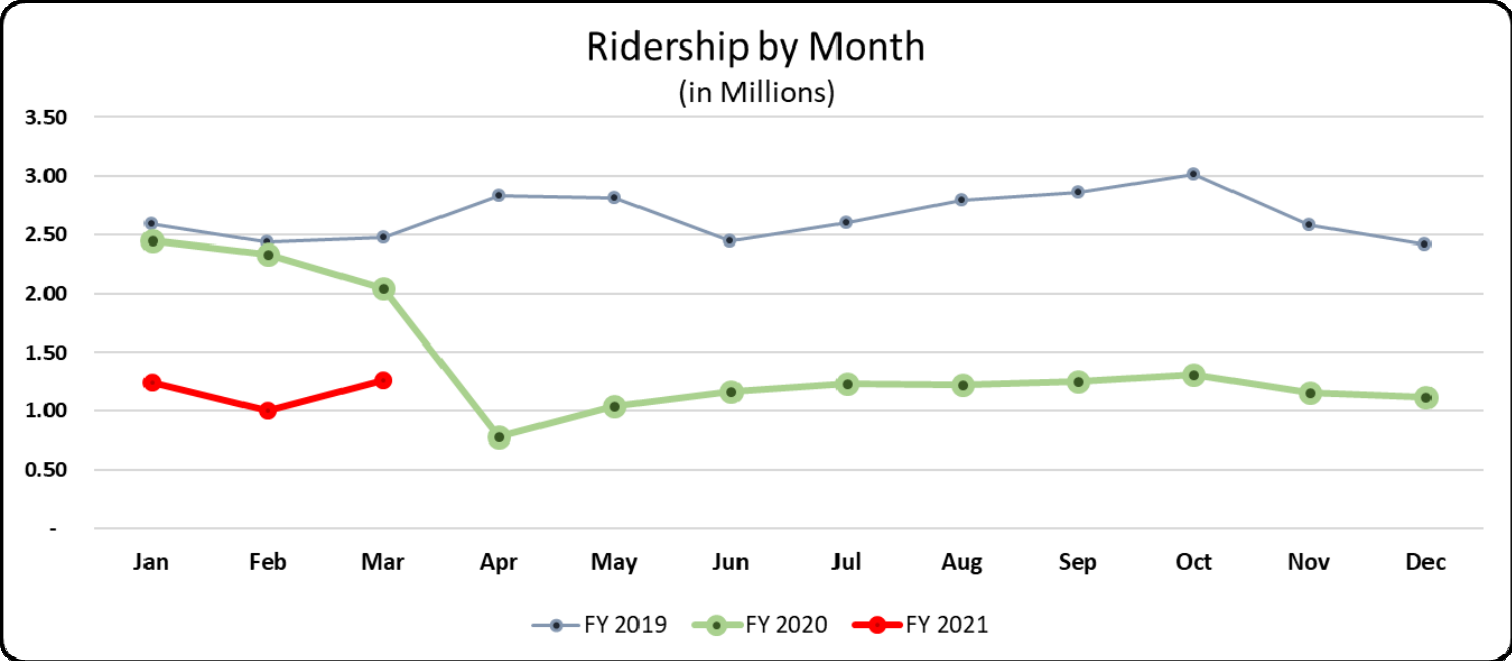
Economic Conditions



Cleveland area employment (number in thousands)	Feb. 2021	Change from Feb. 2020 to Feb. 2021	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	986.6	-78.3	-7.4
Mining, logging, and construction	33.4	-1.6	-4.6
Manufacturing	110.0	-12.0	-9.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities	178.0	-5.2	-2.8
Information	12.1	-1.0	-7.6
Financial activities	66.5	0.0	0.0
Professional and business services	145.1	-12.8	-8.1
Education and health services	194.2	-14.0	-6.7
Leisure and hospitality	83.3	-17.4	-17.3
Other services	33.6	-6.0	-15.2
Government	130.4	-8.3	-6.0

Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

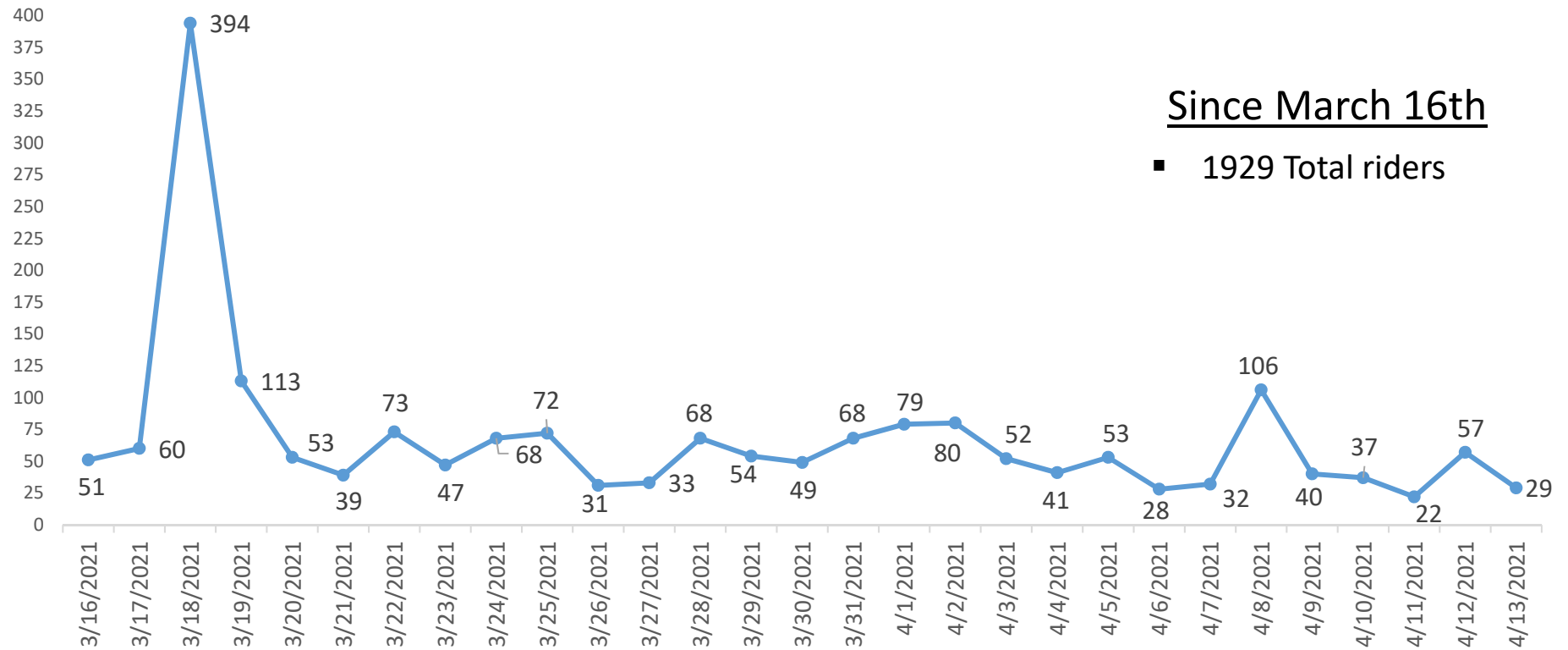
Ridership



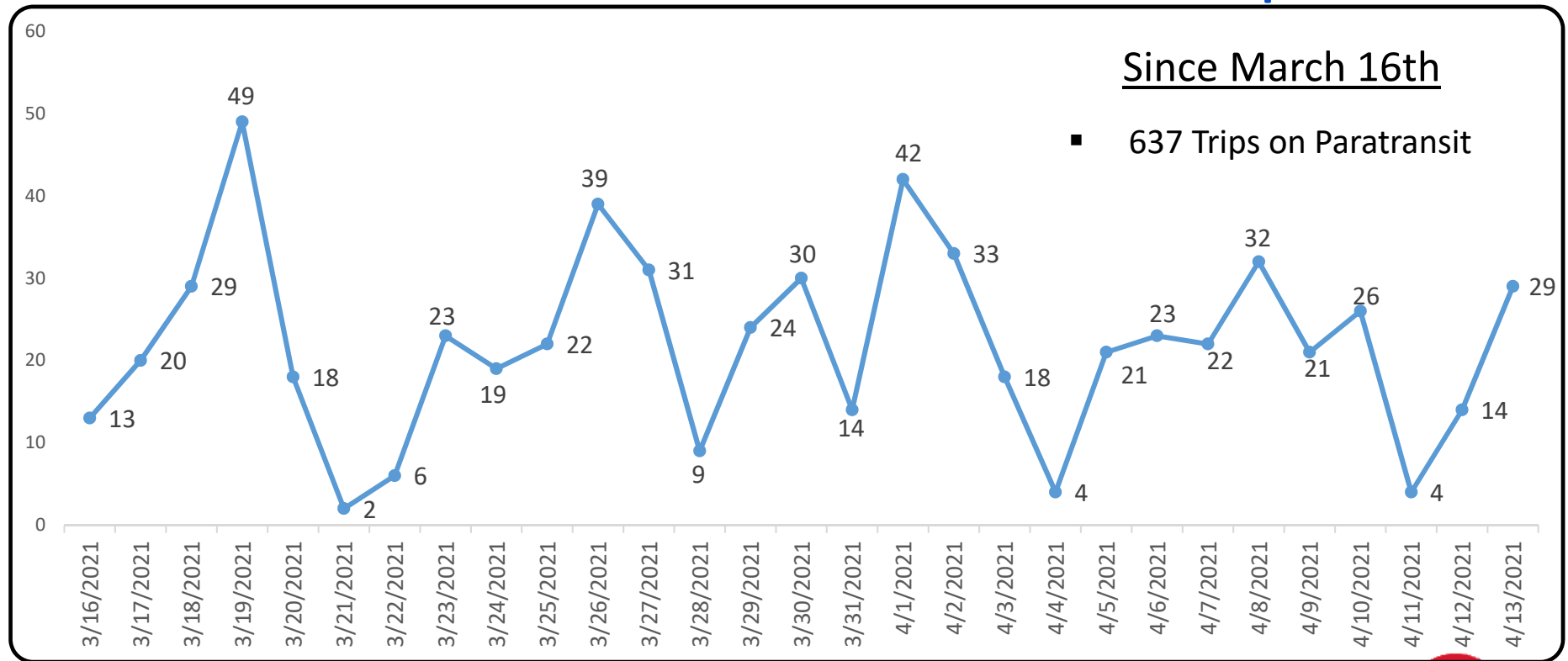
- Compared to 2020
- Jan: -49.1%
 - Feb: -57.2%
 - Mar: -38.3%
 - YTD: -48.6%



Wolstein Shuttle

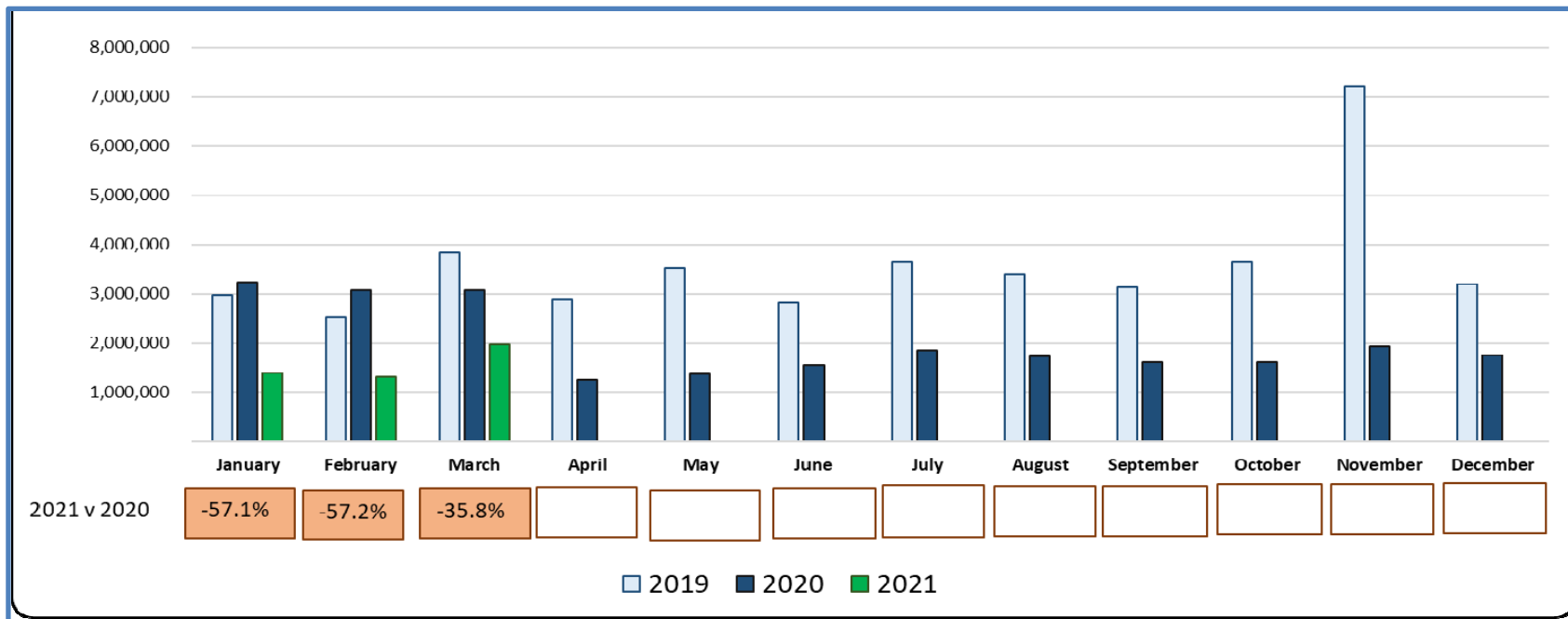


Paratransit Vaccination Trips



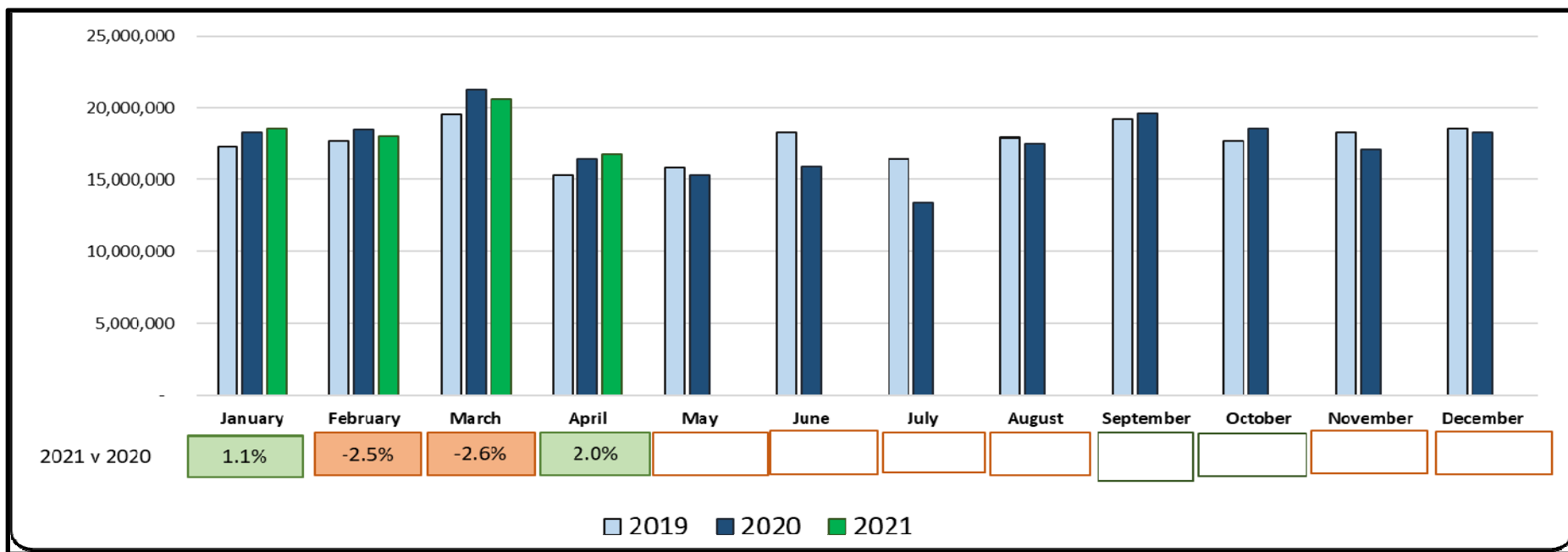
Passenger Fares

2019, 2020, and 2021



Sales Tax

2019, 2020, and 2021



CRRSAA

2021 Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA)

- 100% federal share (no local match)
- **Cleveland Urbanized Area (CUZA) \$74.3 million**
 - Includes GCRTA, Medina County Public Transit, Laketran, Akron Metro, PARTA, Geauga County
- **Greater Cleveland RTA: \$67.3 million**
 - NOACA to allocate the ADA/Disability/Paratransit (5310)
 - Unsure at this time how much of the \$323,627 will be apportioned to GCRTA

Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021

2021 Consolidated Appropriations Act (American Rescue Plan)

- **\$1.9 trillion stimulus package**
- **President signed into law: Friday, March 12, 2021**
- **Cleveland Urbanized Area (CUZA) \$150.3 million**
 - Includes GCRTA, Medina County Public Transit, Laketran, Akron Metro, PARTA, Geauga County (5307 Formula)
 - Estimating \$136.0 million to GCRTA
 - **ADA/Paratransit for Cleveland UZA \$323,632**
 - Allocated to Agencies by NOACA

Questions



Acting General Manager, CEO Report

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“Rides for Community Immunity” Update

RTA awarded \$773,000 grant from ODOT Partnership with State of Ohio, City, County & ODH

- 10,000 All Day Passes distributed through social service agencies. Passes valid through May 8.
- GCRTA has played an active role in our community’s mass vaccination effort.
- Free fixed route passes have been distributed throughout various communities by FEMA canvassers to overcome and remove transportation barriers for vulnerable and underserved demographics.



“Rides for Community Immunity” Update

- Free transportation on Paratransit has provided over 600 rides.
- A free parking/ADA shuttle from surface lots to all entrances of the Wolstein Center has provided 2,000 rides.
- Transit Police have assisted other law enforcement agencies to provide security and maintain flow of traffic around the Wolstein Center.

“Rides for Community Immunity” Update

- Stephanie Tubbs Jones Transit Center has been used by transit agencies throughout Northeast Ohio transporting those seeking vaccines.
- GCRTA in conjunction with Downtown Cleveland Alliance provided employees with priority codes for vaccination appointments.
- GCRTA has provided transportation planning assistance to numerous agencies and task forces for pop-up vaccination sites throughout Cuyahoga County.

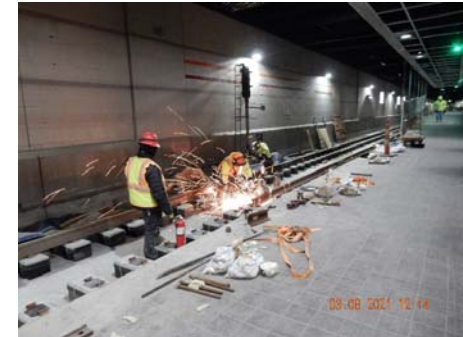
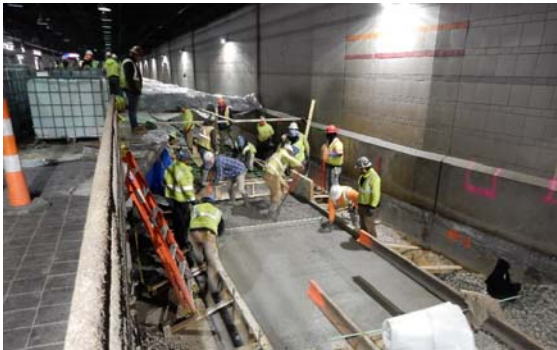
State of Good Repair East 79th Street Station Rehabilitation



Construction was completed last month and is now open to customers. The East 79th Street Station represents the Authority's final Key Station in need of an ADA-related rehabilitation, completing a program that began in the 1990's.

A virtual Grand Opening Video was posted on the website March 30, 2021!

State of Good Repair Tower City Track Rehabilitation



The reconstruction of Track 13 represents the final stage of the Tower City track rehabilitation project. As in earlier stages, the existing track and track bed were removed. A concrete slab foundation was poured, low vibration track was positioned above this slab and a second concrete pour was completed to embed the track. Track work is scheduled to be completed by April 25, 2021, returning the track to service.

State of Good Repair 2021 Projects

- Phase I of the Cuyahoga Viaduct Rehabilitation
- Red Line Fiber Optic System Replacement
- Warrensville/Van Aken Substation
- Tower City East Portal Design
- Triskett Garage CNG Facilities Upgrade





Plexiglass Shield Installation

- Plexiglass shields being installed on buses
- Shields will replace vinyl curtains
- All buses should be fitted by mid-June

ADA Office Reopened April 5



- Business hours are Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Limited seating area to four (4) customers at a time, with proper social distancing. Separate overflow room for additional customers if the need arises.
- Pull-A-Number will be used.
- Sanitizer stations will be located in the office for customers.
- Plexi-glass partitions will be in place.
- To limit foot traffic, ADA applications will still be accepted via fax, email, and Tower City Customer Service Center.
- Masks will be required for all customers and staff.

Deirdre R. Jones Named New GCRTA Transit Police Chief



- Chief Jones is a 32-year veteran of the Cleveland Division of Police.
- During her time with CDP she held a wide range of positions with increasing levels of responsibilities including Acting Deputy Chief of Administrative Operations and Commander of the Bureau of Support Services.
- Holds a Bachelor's degree in Human Services Management from University of Phoenix and Masters of Public Administration from Villanova University.
- Starts new position at RTA on May 3, 2021.

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