

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-122

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER
EXPENDITURES FOR THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT
AUTHORITY DURING FISCAL YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("GCRTA") has both legal and managerial requirements to establish the revenues to be received for the upcoming fiscal year, including all taxes, user fees, and other types of revenues, as well as estimates of all expenditures or outlays for the operation of its public transportation system in the fiscal year ("FY") to be paid or met from said revenue; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet those requirements, a budget for GCRTA's operations for the FY beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 ("FY 2026 Budget") was prepared; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2026 Budget has been made available for public inspection for at least ten (10) days by having at least two (2) copies thereof on file in the GCRTA Office of Management and Budget and a copy posted on GCRTA's web site; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2026 Budget is based on the Management and Non-Bargaining Salary Structure, which has been updated as set forth in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee of the Board of Trustees discussed the FY 2026 Budget on November 18, 2025 and December 2, 2025, and public hearings were held on November 18, 2025 and December 2, 2025, with public notices given by publication in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on October 26, 2025 and October 31, 2025 and the Cleveland Call & Post on October 29, 2025 and November 1, 2025, as well as by posting of notice in the first floor lobby of the GCRTA Main Office Building and on GCRTA's social media pages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. The GCRTA Board of Trustees hereby sets aside and appropriates the following current expenses and other expenditures during FY 2026:

Division	2026 Budget
Operations Division	
Paratransit	\$ 37,033,600
Rail	29,890,400
Asset & Configuration Management	754,000
Transit Police	19,079,400
Service Management	2,387,700
Power & Way	18,498,600
Facilities Maintenance	10,219,100
Service Quality Management	8,313,500
Fleet Management	37,965,200
Hayden	64,682,200
Triskett	48,666,800
Information Technology	10,823,700
Total Operations Division	\$ 288,314,200

Finance Division	
Office of Business Development	\$ 456,000
Accounting	4,227,800
Management Information Systems	3,873,300
Support Services	1,280,500
Procurement	2,085,600
Revenue	2,429,400
Office of Mangement & Budget	7,644,900
Fund Transfers	30,669,940
Total Finance Division	\$ 52,667,440
Engineering & Project Management Division	
Project Support	\$ 294,700
Programming & Planning	3,248,000
Engineering & Project Development	2,917,800
Total Engineering & Project Management Division	\$ 6,460,500
Legal Affairs Division	
Safety	\$ 1,295,800
Legal	4,288,000
Risk Management	4,800,700
Total Legal Affairs Division	\$ 10,384,500
Human Resources Division	
Human Resources	\$ 1,361,900
Labor & Employee Relations	2,394,850
Training & Employee Development	4,751,400
Total Human Resources Division	\$ 8,508,150
Executive Division	
Executive	\$ 1,055,200
Secretary/Treasurer - Board of Trustees	313,300
Internal Audit	1,123,800
Customer Experience & Performance Management	1,117,000
Total Executive Division	\$ 3,609,300
Administration & External Affairs Division	
Administration & External Affairs	3,261,700
Total Administration & External Affairs Division	\$ 3,261,700
Total 2026 General Fund Budget	\$ 373,205,790

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

(Resolution No. 2025-065, approved on May 20, 2025)

Construction and Acquisition of Transit Facilities and Equipment	\$167,801,657
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BOND RETIREMENT FUND

Debt Service – Principal	\$6,935,000
Debt Service – Interest	697,750
Other	1,500

INSURANCE FUND

Claims & Premium Outlay	\$3,250,000
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SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION FUND

Benefits Payments	\$9,000
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LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

Safety & Security Training	\$0
Capital & Related Items	25,000

RESERVE FUND

Transfer to General Fund (Revenue Stabilization)	\$44,000,000
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CUMULATED APPROPRIATIONS

General Fund	\$373,205,790
Capital Improvement Funds	167,801,657
Bond Retirement Fund	7,634,250
Insurance Fund	3,250,000
Supplemental Pension Fund	9,000
Law Enforcement Fund	25,000
Reserve Fund	44,000,000

Section 2. That transfers of funds may be made in the FY 2026 Budget from one division to another, or from one department to another, or from one line item to another, or from one of the funds established by Chapter 460 of the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority to another, as long as the total appropriation in each fund is not exceeded and transfers of funds are reported to the Board within thirty (30) days after the end of the month in which said transfer occurred.

Section 3. As part of this appropriation, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer is granted the authority to upgrade or downgrade positions within GCRTA, provided that the total number of positions approved in the budget is not exceeded. Furthermore, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer may transfer positions from one department to another so long as the total number of positions approved in the budget does not exceed 2,367 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions.

Section 4. That the budget includes an appropriation of funds for coffee, meals, refreshments, and other amenities for employees or other persons in furtherance of official business of GCRTA, and such expenditures are hereby determined to be for a public purpose.

Section 5. That the FY 2026 Budget may, from time to time, be amended and additional monies received in FY 2026, if applicable, may be appropriated.


Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Attachment 1 – GCRTA 2026 Management & Non-Bargaining Salary Structure

Adopted: December 16, 2025



President

Attest: 

Secretary-Treasurer