# RTA Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, September 28, 2021



### Public Comments – Agenda Items

In person

or

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# **Committee Reports**

# Ad Hoc Committee Reports



## **Promotions and New Hires**

September 2021



#### September 2021 New Hires



**Kyle Best**Engineering Co-Op



Tatiana Bivens
Operator



Karen Bryant
Operator



Darney Dunn Operator



Laura Crawshaw Staff Auditor



Michael Fesler Associate Counsel II



Natasha Everett Operator

#### September 2021 New Hires



Melonie Foree
Operator



Sharon Gayle
Operator



Gary Hutchinson Jr.
Laborer



Chad Hicks
Operator



Tiffany Holder
Talent Acquisition
Manager



Tariq Mohammed
Public Transit
Development Program
Business Analyst



Shaquille King
Operator



Kylan Levy
Operator



#### September 2021 New Hires



Deontae Morris
Operator



Andreas Rainge Laborer



Laura Paull
Talent Acquisition
Manager



Kazeem Raheem Operator



Verginia Veria Operator



Darylenna Robinson
Operator



Michael Yelko
Operator

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#### September 2021 Promotions



Evan Lett
Service Quality
Coordinator



Robert McCormick
Bus Shelter
Maintenance Supervisor



Derrick Gordon
Paratransit Dispatcher



# Resolutions

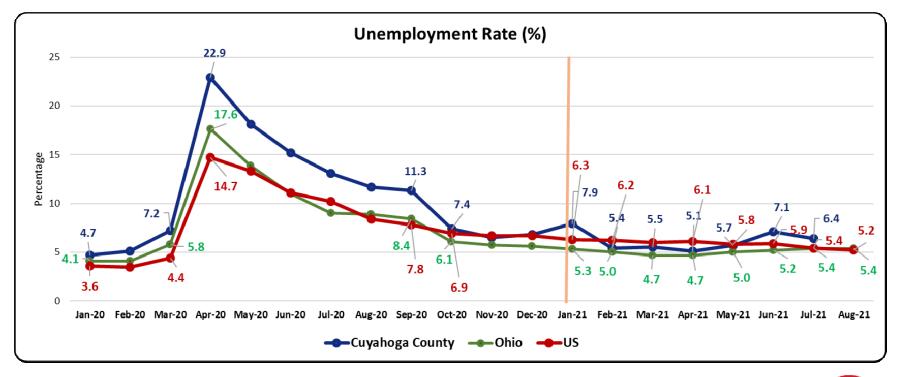


# Secretary/Treasurer Update

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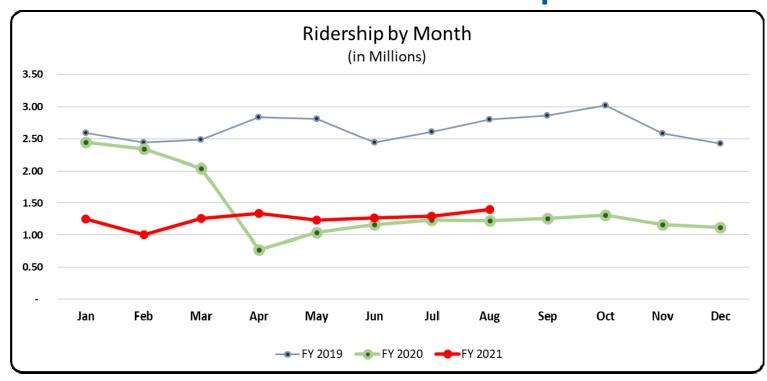


#### **Economic Conditions**





# Ridership



Compared to 2020

• May: 18.1%

• June: 8.6%

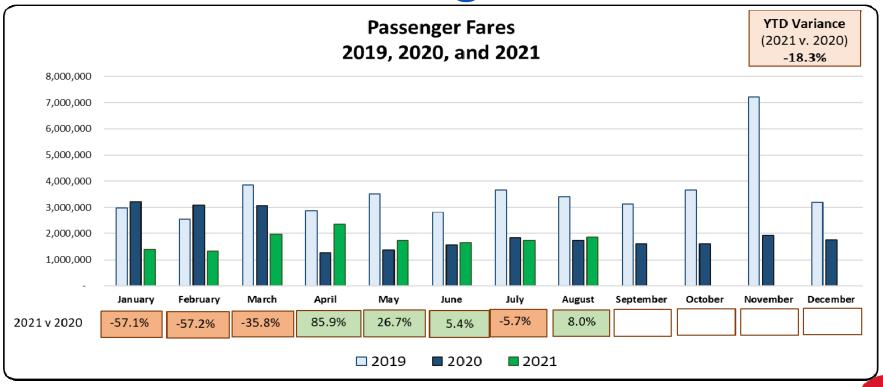
• July: 5.4%

• August: 14.5%

• YTD: -18.2%

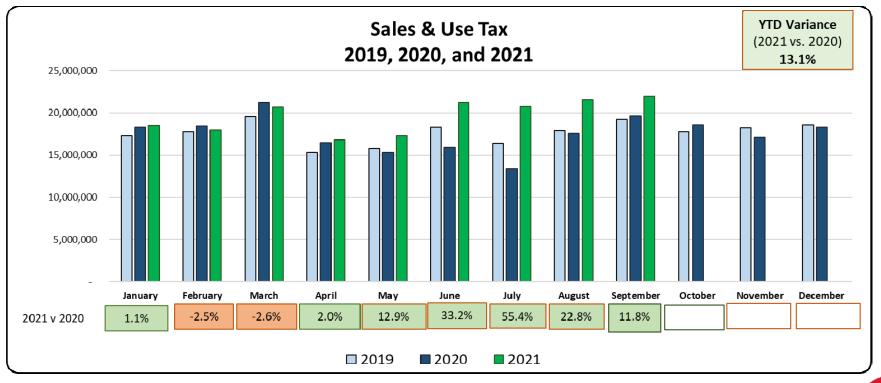


# Passenger Fares





# Sales Tax





#### **CRRSAA** and **ARP** Drawdowns

- Through August 2021
  - CRRSAA:

\$67.4 million

- Fully drawn down
- ARP:

\$136.1 million

- \$54.8 million drawn down
- \$81.3 million remaining

#### Use of Funds

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• Operating Budget - $ 98.8 m - 31%
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TOTAL \$ 315.0 m

# Questions



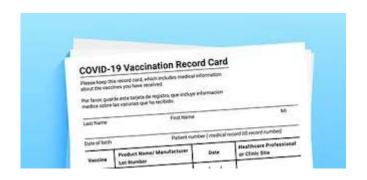
# General Manager, CEO Report

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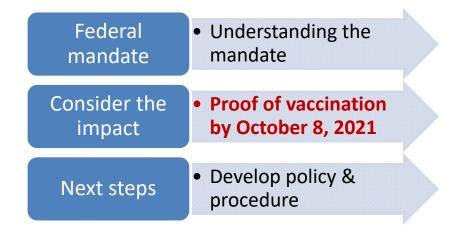
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#### **COVID-19 Vaccination Data Gathering**

#### Initial Steps and...



#### **Understanding What's Next**



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# TRAC Funding for Light Rail Program

- GCRTA successfully advocated for track rehabilitation to be eligible for TRAC funding in the ODOT Transportation Budget.
- On September 22, 2021, GCRTA awarded \$4.2 million for State Fiscal Year 2022 to replace the tracks and crossovers at the end of the Blue Line.
- Additional projects in the program will be evaluated for TRAC funding in future years.



# Light Rail Track Rehabilitation

- Reconstruction of tracks from Buckeye-Woodhill to Shaker Square Stations
- \$8 million project constructed in 6-week shutdown
- Project complete on time
- Light Rail will return to service on October 2, 2021



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#### Rail Car Replacement Project Update

- RFP canceled on June 11, 2021
- Conducted vendor debrief & industry review
- Met with other transit properties
- RFP set for advertisement before end of October 2021



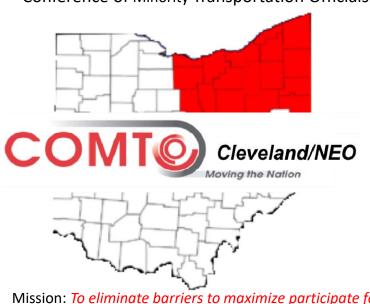
#### Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA)

- Annual meeting held 9/15 to 9/17/2021
- Held in Akron, Ohio at the John S. Knight Center
- Attended by several staff from various departments
- Wendy Talley, India Birdsong and Kristie Cox presented
- Jeff Macko, Planning Team Leader, won 40 under 40 award



#### **COMTO Cleveland/Northeast Ohio**

Conference of Minority Transportation Officials



Mission: To eliminate barriers to maximize participate for minority individuals

- COMTO is the leading national advocate for employment, diversity, inclusion, in transportation
- COMTO is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary September 27-29, 2021



# COMTO Cleveland/Northeast Ohio Upcoming Event





Featuring a talk by Dr. Christine Darden, NASA Aerospace Engineer and one of the last remaining "Hidden Figures."

- Celebrating The Women
   Who Move The Nation
- Tuesday September 28, 2021, at 2pm
- Viewing in Boardroom, at all Districts and throughout agency via Webex

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#### **COMTO Cleveland/Northeast Ohio**



- The Women Who Move the Nation Past Recipients
  - CEO India Birdsong
    - Former National Board Member
  - Retired GCRTA DGM-Loretta Kirk
- Current Chapter President
  - Jarrett B. Davis

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