# Connecting Our Community: Using transportation to link people to jobs, housing and training

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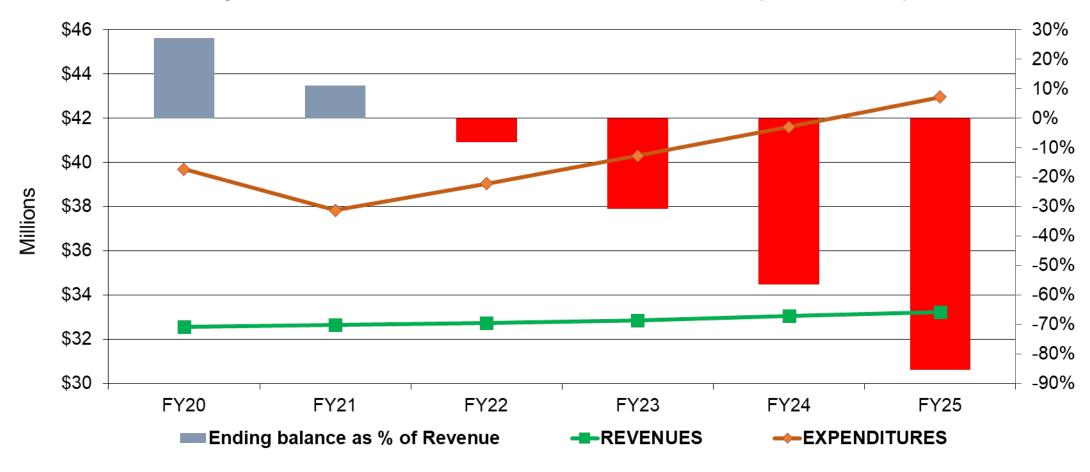




## **Funding Options – Current State (County)**

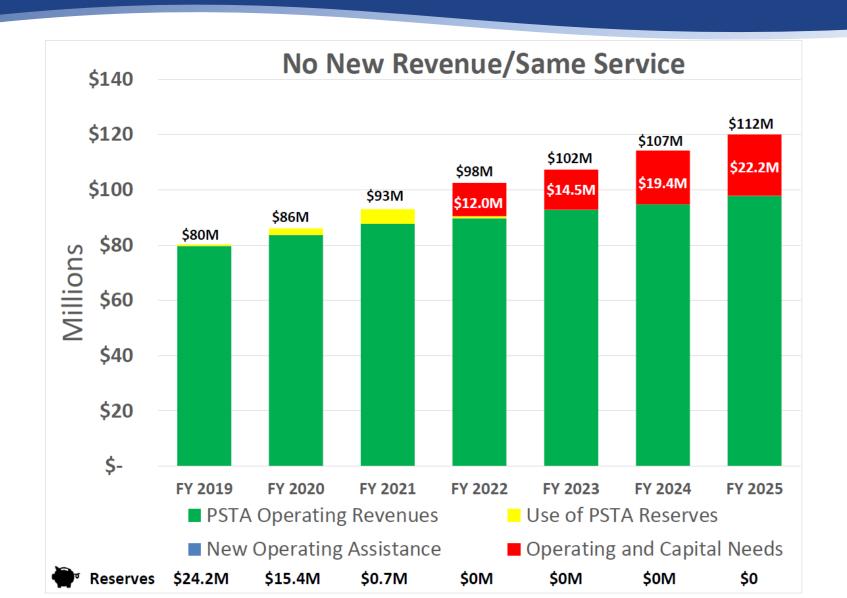


#### **Transportation Trust Fund Forecast (Current)**



## **Funding Options – Current State (PSTA)**





## **Community Discussions**







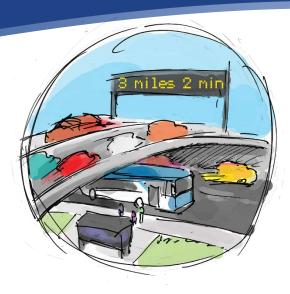
**Integrated Approach** 





## **Balanced Solution**





#### **Reduce Road Congestion**



## Make Transportation Corridors Safer



# **Enhance Transit Services**



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## Improve stoplight timing along major corridors

## Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) Phase 1:

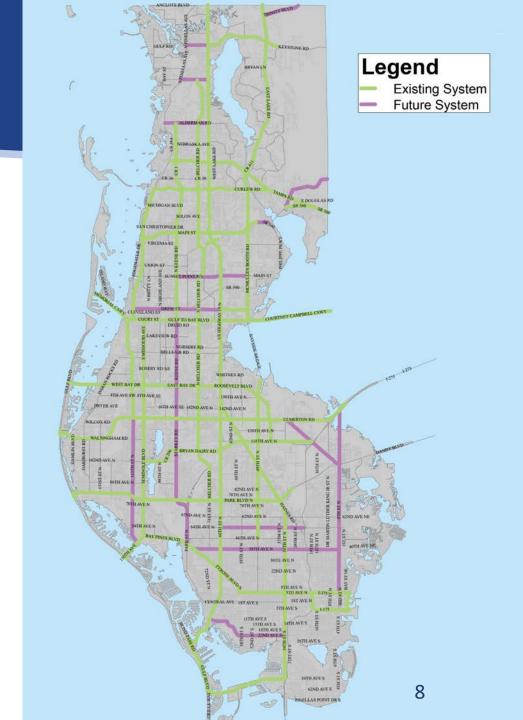
- 267 miles collectors/arterials completed
  - Complete 11 miles as one project

#### **ATMS Phase 2:**

• 60 miles of new collectors/arterials

**Outcome:** reduce travel time by 13-15%

Capital cost: \$35M

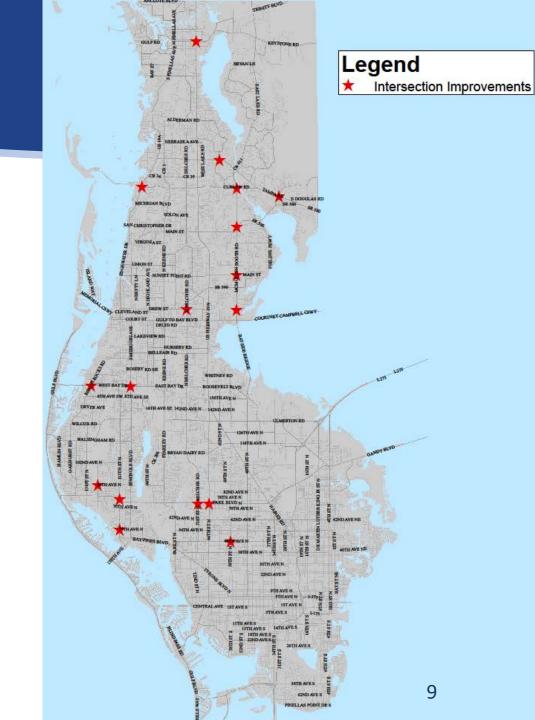


## Reduce road congestion

Intersection improvements at multiple locations

**Outcome:** Less congestion and fewer crashes at intersections

Capital cost: \$49M





# Make Transportation Corridors Safer



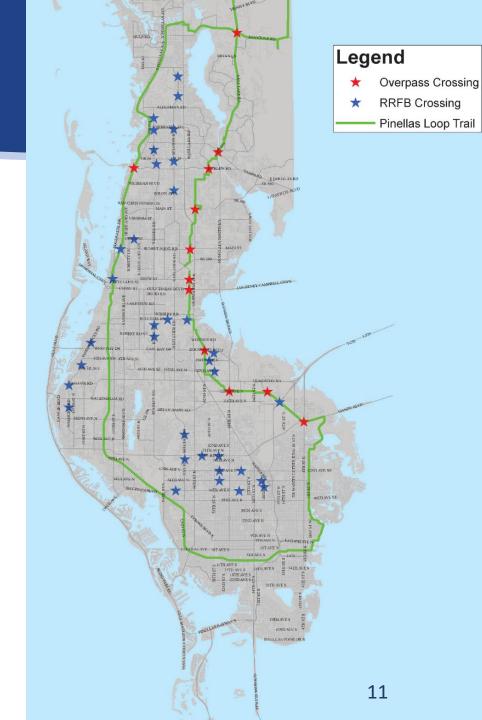
# Safer Transportation Corridors

## **Build safety improvements at major crash locations**

- Countywide locations
- Pinellas County Trail Crossings
  - Overpasses and enhanced traffic control

**Outcome:** reduce pedestrian and vehicle crashes and fatalities

Capital cost: \$50M Annual O&M: \$100K



# **Safer Transportation Corridors**

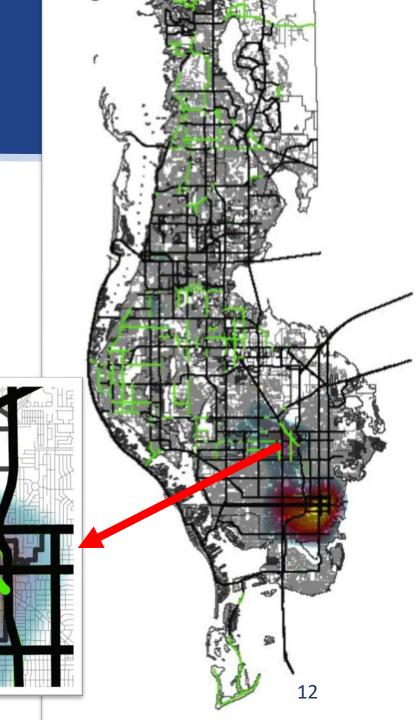
# Increase street lighting along major transportation corridors

100 miles of unlit primary and feeder corridors

Outcome: reduce pedestrian and vehicular crashes and fatalities (by approx. 28%)

**Capital Cost: \$40M** 

**Annual O&M: \$275K** 



# **Safer Transportation Corridors**

#### **Improve additional infrastructure:**

- Fill 120 miles of sidewalk gaps
- Replace 6 aging bridges

#### **Outcomes:**

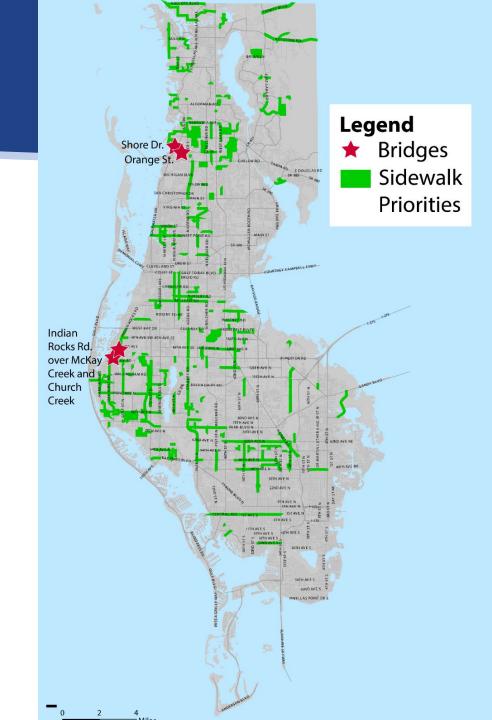
Better connected pedestrian corridors

Preservation of critical infrastructure

Safer right-of-ways

**Capital Cost: \$73M** 

Annual O&M: \$1M





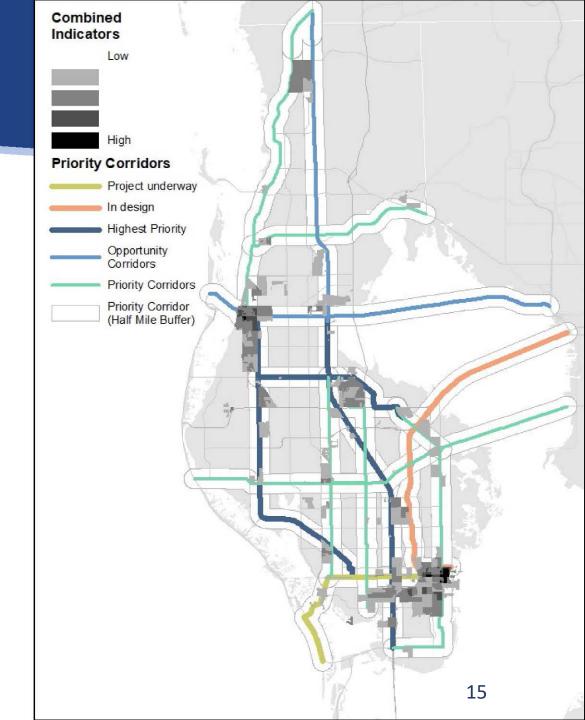
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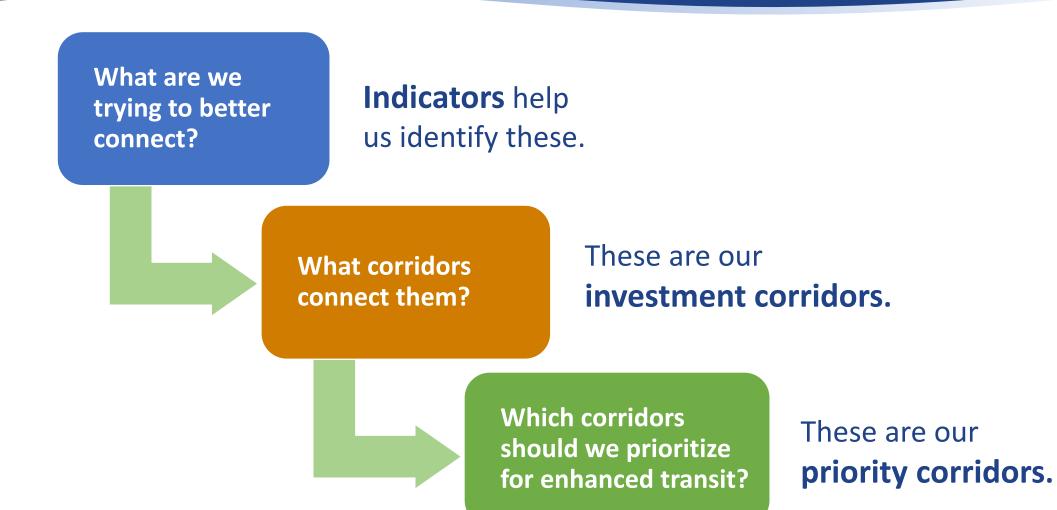
Better connect local workforce to jobs, training and housing that's affordable.

Maintain existing service in state of good repair.



## **Enhance Transit Services**





## What are we trying to better connect?



## Where are the jobs and training?

Employment/
Workforce Training
Indicators

**Employment** densities

**Opportunity zones** 

Workforce development areas

## Where are the people?

Population Indicators

**Population densities** 

Minority/Low Income
Areas

Zero car households

## Where is housing that is affordable?

**Housing Indicators** 

Housing units affordable to lower income households

Existing investments in housing that is affordable

## Where might future development occur?

Redevelopment opportunities indicators

Commercial

Age > 1980

Underutilized currently

Large, >1 acre

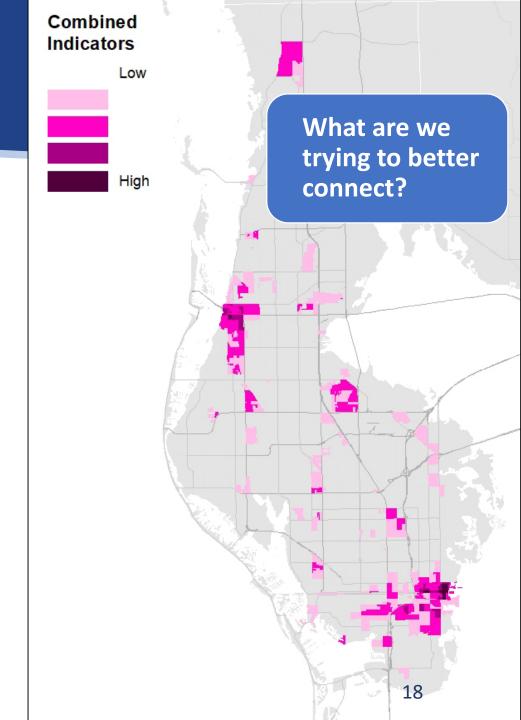
## **Combining the indicators**

Where are the jobs and training?

Where are the people?

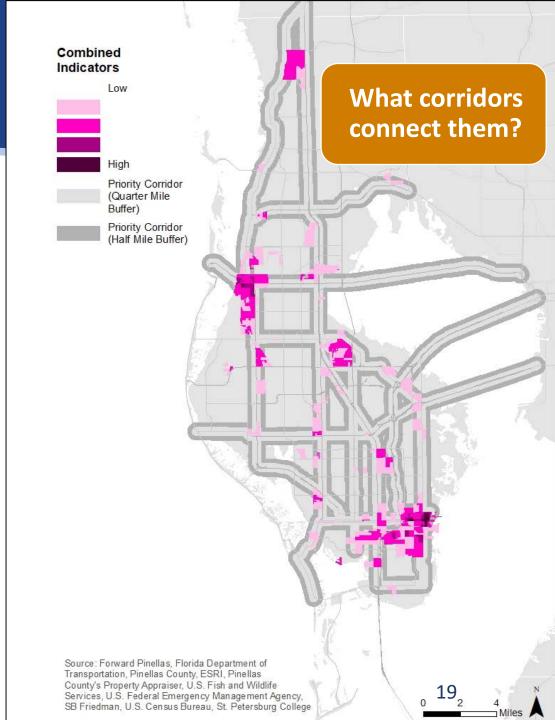
Where is housing that is affordable?

Where might future development occur?



## **Investment Corridors**

- Data-driven approach
- Public and private sector investments
- Reinforced by Countywide Plan (Advantage Pinellas)



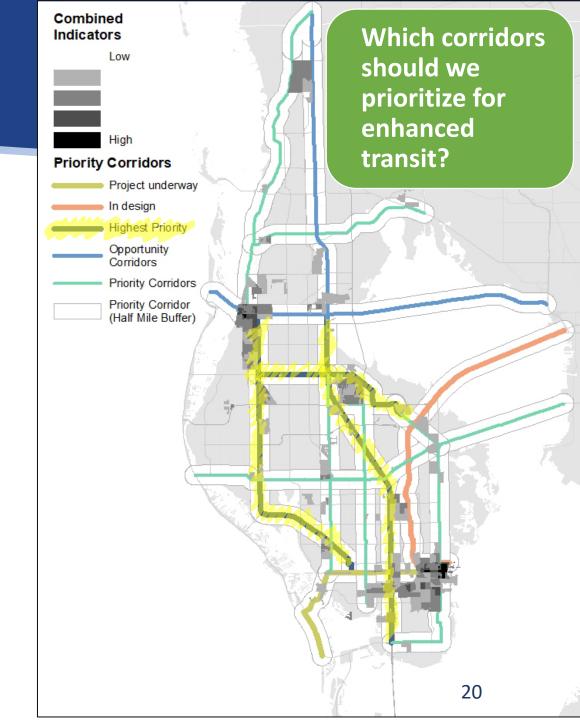
## **Priority Corridors**

## Transit service on these corridors is intended to be:

- Focused on destination
- Fast and reliable

#### Three priority corridors:

- U.S. 19 South
- Roosevelt Blvd./East Bay Drive
- U.S. Alt. 19 South



## U.S. 19 South

# Connects several workforce development opportunities with:

- High population densities
- Low income areas
- Zero-car households

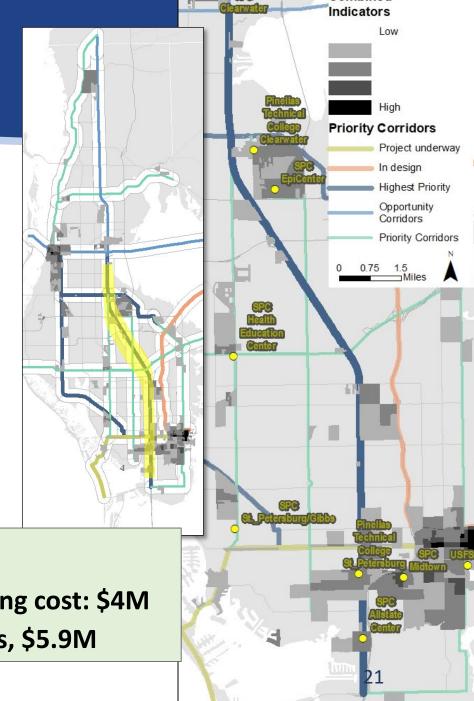
# Multiple activity centers and CRAs along the corridor:

- Lealman CRA
- South St. Petersburg CRA
- Skyway Marina District



Estimated annual operating cost: \$4M

Estimated capital: 8 buses, \$5.9M



Combined

## Roosevelt Blvd./East Bay Drive

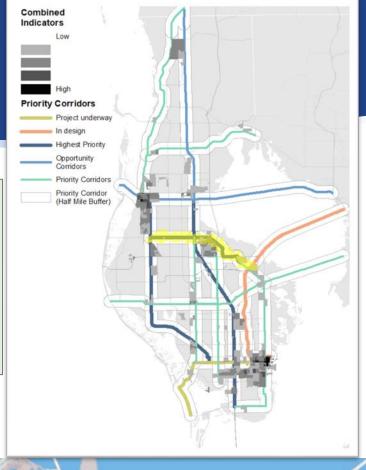
- Connects residential areas with medical, office and manufacturing jobs
- About 15% of people in the corridor had an income below poverty
- Supports Gateway Master
   Plan and Intermodal Center
   Feasibility Study

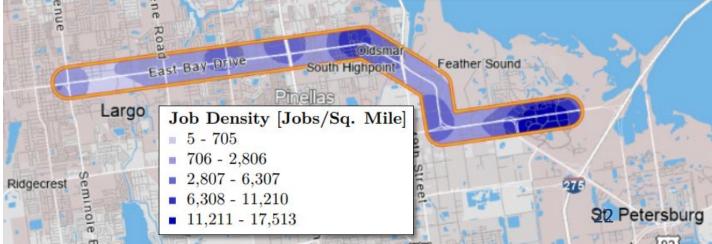
**Proposed Transit Service:** 

Estimated annual operating cost: \$3.2M

**Estimated capital cost:** 

8 buses, \$5.2M





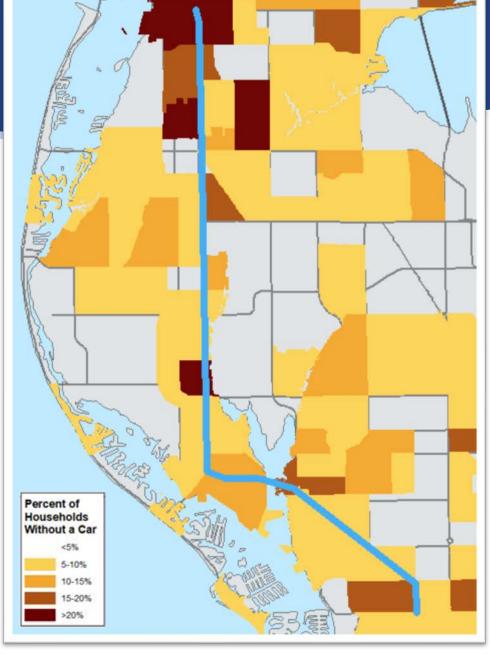
## U.S. Alt. 19 South

- Connects downtown
   Clearwater, downtown Largo
   and west St. Petersburg
- Touches 4 opportunity zones and 5 activity centers
- 5,500+ houses with no cars

Proposed Peak Hour Service: Estimated annual operating cost: \$3.2M

Estimated capital costs: \$9.8M, 13 buses





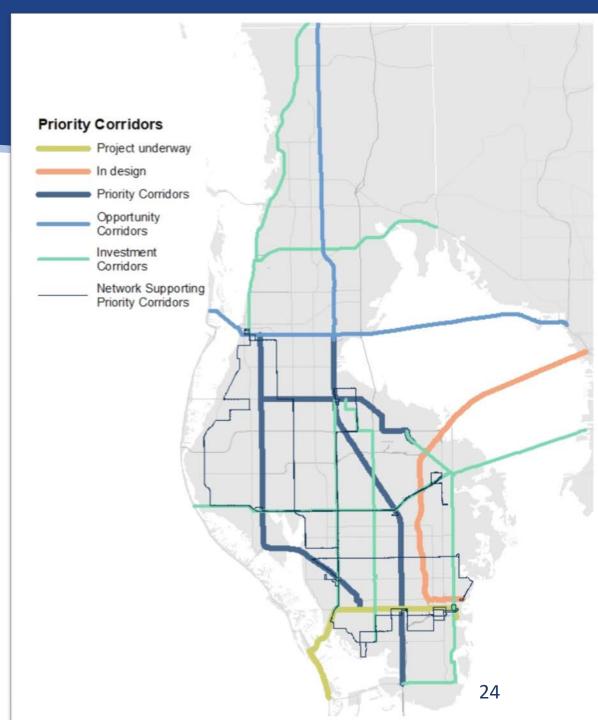
## **Enhance Transit Service**

# Feeder routes to support priority corridors

Outcome: Faster, more reliable service connecting job and training sites with housing that is affordable

Capital cost: \$39.5M

**Annual O&M: \$4.6M** 



## **Enhance Transit Service**

## Maintain existing service

Outcome: Continue to provide services at the same level it is today in other areas

Capital Cost: \$70M Annual O&M: \$15M



## **Anticipated Program Costs**



Program Area		Capital Costs	Annual O&M
Snlbs 2 mil	Reduced Road Congestion	\$64,000,000	\$75,000
	Make Transportation Corridors Safer	\$197,635,000	\$1,385,000
	Enhance Transit Services	\$130,400,000	\$30,000,000
	TOTAL	\$ 392,035,000	\$31,460,000

<sup>\*</sup> Does NOT include costs for programs within incorporated areas

## **Funding Options**





## **Local Option Fuel Tax**

- 5 additional cents—\$179M over 10 years
- Currently split 60% County 40% Cities



## **Transportation Sales Surtax**

- 1/2 cent—\$1.01B over 10 years
- 1/4 cent—\$500M over 10 years



### Ad Valorem Taxes (increased millage rates)

- General Fund millage—\$79.4M estimated revenue per 1 mill (FY19)
- PSTA millage—\$67.8M estimated revenue per 1 mill (FY19)

## Intended outcomes





# Reduced Road Congestion



# **Safer Transportation Corridors**



**Enhanced Transit Services** 



## Steps forward



