NYPTA 2019-2020 State Budget Recommendations

State Transit Operating Assistance (STOA)

Executive Budget: Proposes a 5.3% STOA increase for Upstate systems and a 7.2% increase for Downstate Non-MTA systems.

NYPTA Recommendation: Provide a 10% STOA increase for Upstate and Downstate Non-MTA systems above 2018-19 levels to support regional economic growth and improve mobility.

Long-Term Transit Funding/Congestion Pricing

Executive Budget:
- Includes legislation to create a congestion tolling program in Manhattan to help fund future MTA capital programs.
- Includes a 5% auto rental surcharge in upstate counties to fund upstate transit.

NYPTA Recommendation: Enact a Statewide Transit Funding Plan that includes the MTA congestion tolling program and the auto rental surcharge for upstate transit as part of long-term, sustainable funding for all upstate and downstate transit systems.

State Capital Aid

Executive Budget: Proposes $84.5 m. in capital aid for Non-MTA systems.

NYPTA Recommendation: Provide $104.5 m. for Non-MTA systems, the same amount as 2018-19, to maintain investment and continue to revitalize transit infrastructure.

Rural Transit Assistance

Executive Budget: The budget does not include special funding for rural transit systems impacted by the state’s Medicaid changes.

NYPTA Recommendation: Provide $5 m. in permanent state funding to small urban and rural transit systems to replace lost revenue from the state’s Medicaid changes.