

NYPTA 2016-17 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Operating Assistance

- Upstate – Increase Upstate STOA appropriation by \$20 m. to fulfill remaining \$15 m. from 2015-16 request and include one year of inflation.
- Downstate Suburban Counties – Increase Downstate STOA appropriation by \$18 m. which represents 2 years of inflationary growth.
- STOA increase is needed to continue current transit services and respond to ridership growth and demand for services that support economic growth.

Capital Funding

- Support state investment of \$8.3 billion in MTA capital program.
- \$100 m. per year state investment in Non-MTA systems capital needs as part of multiyear funding program.

Revenue Legislation

- Support DeFrancisco/Brennan legislation (S5967/A8242) that dedicates a portion of the State Personal Income Tax and bank settlement proceeds to statewide transit and highway needs.

Rural Transit

- Continue state transition funding to help rural transit systems impacted by Medicaid revenue loss, and require DOH to implement administrative measures to increase use of public transit by Medicaid clients.
- Support O'Mara bill (S5794/A8202) to improve Interagency Coordinating Committee on Rural Public Transportation.