

# The voice of the regional business community on transportation – for more than 20 years.

# RTA is a metropolitan, private-public partnership that drives consensus and action –

through focus and cooperation between the business community and elected and transportation leaders.

#### RTA has only two core values: service to the region, urgency of our action.

Those values translate into four consistent benefits for our members:

- Influence on regional business priorities, and impact on this region
- Insights that are actionable for your company
- Recognition for your leadership on a critical employee satisfaction issue
- Executive relationships and connections throughout our metro area

# RTA 2025 Business Plan – primary action areas:

## **Strategic Advocacy Priorities**

- Identify sustainable business model for RDU
- Lobby for expanded access user fee
- Complete FAST study, accelerate BRT / transit

# **Rapid Implementation Initiatives**

- Accelerate US 1 / Capital Blvd. freeway
- Implement Dynamic Left Turn intersections
- Secure funding for I-40 SMART freeway

#### RTA MEMBERSHIP LEVELS - SUMMARY

#### RTA Regional Leadership Team

RTA Sustaining Gold: \$10,000
RTA Gold: \$7,500
RTA Silver: \$5,000
Premier sponsor of major events; join RTA Steering Cmte.
Prominent logo at all events; town hall on your campus
Logo at all RTA events; join Regional Leadership Team

# Supporting members

RTA Bronze: \$2,500 Recognition at all RTA events; RTA retreat invite
RTA Basic: \$500 – \$2,000 Ticket to all RTA events; e-newsletter

See: letsgetmoving.org/membership for a current list of all RTA members, and detailed member benefits

"RTA helps leading businesses have strong, informed, public voices, ensuring focused efforts on infrastructure to support employment, mobility, and growth."

- Sarah Gaskill, RTA Chair, FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies

"RTA gives us a voice to positively influence transportation initiatives that impact the lives of our employees and clients here in the Triangle."

- Jay Irby, RTA immediate past chair, First Citizens Bank

RTA delivers business leadership to get our region moving faster.



# RTA: HIGHLIGHTS OF A LEGACY OF REGIONAL BUSINESS LEADERSHIP SINCE 2002

#### Freeways, regional boulevards, and interchanges

- 540 Triangle Expressway turnpike built led lobbying and campaign to build state's first turnpike
- Southern Wake 540 open spearheaded private sector advocacy to keep project moving
- Future I-885 opens garnered and sustained regional support for Triangle Connector to I-85
- 540 express shoulder lane conceived, highlighted, and advanced pilot concept for I-540
- I-40 widening in Cary/Raleigh completed proposed means to relieve region's top bottleneck
- 1-40, US 70 interchange improvements requested, secured funding for improved interchanges
- I-40 / Aviation Parkway commissioned study, led to improved traffic signal, reduced delays
- 1-87 designation from Raleigh to coastal Virginia secured bi-state support and federal approval
- Speed limit increases approved requested increases for I-40, I-540, US 1, 15-501, Wade, Aviation
- US 1 / Freeway successfully lobbied for turnpike study to accelerate multimodal freeway

## Metropolitan rapid transit and intercity rail

- Transit referenda passed in Orange, Durham, Wake advocated for local option legislation
- Wake Transit Plan approved pushed for approved new plan with bus rapid transit (BRT) basis
- High performance rail grant supported funding effort led by NC Railroad Co. and partners
- Bus on Shoulder System launched coordinated plan for North Carolina's first BOSS operation
- 1-40 transit priority shoulder led multiple studies, informed advocacy for multimodal freeways
- Freeway, Arterial, Street, Tactical (FAST) transit leading \$900k study to accelerate regional plan
- Zero Fare transit policy commissioned studies, advanced conversations for regional zero fare

## **RDU Airport**

- New RDU Paris nonstop flight launched led "ASAP" private sector marketing campaign
- RDU "Carry on" campaign supported post-pandemic air service recovery initiative
- RDU runway / infrastructure funding funded study, led task forces, elevated regional campaign

#### Innovations and sustainability

- Dynamic Left Turn intersection (DLTi) developed concept to reduce off-peak delay, first in U.S.
- New state funding for low-cost projects successfully highlighted business case to secure fund
- Electrification of transportation advocated for federal bus grants, elevating member initiatives

"The Triangle is finally aligning around a regional, scalable, multi-modal transportation vision that can work! The RTA has convened our business and governmental leaders to embrace the strategy. Continued investments in RTA will see us through implementation."

– Scott Levitan, Research Triangle Foundation of NC RTA Steering Committee and RTA Regional Leadership Team