

DRPT Agency Update – February 2025

FY24 5303 Reimbursements

MPOs making final claims on their FY24 5303 funding must do so within 90-days from contract expiration. MPOs must indicate that this is their final billing in their last claim submission so that closeout can occur within a timely manner.

FY26 5303 Funding Opportunity

The FY26 5303 funding opportunity has been posted to [Web Grants](#). The funding opportunity will remain open until the May 1, 2025, application deadline.

Virginia Breeze Sets Ridership Record

Our Virginia Breeze service has broken its ridership record for 2024. This is the Virginia Breeze's best year in its seven-year history and represents a 9.2% increase from 2023, highlighting the growing demand for sustainable, affordable, and reliable travel options that connect communities across the Commonwealth.

Grant Applications Close, Scoring Begins

Grant application scoring season is upon DRPT for all the submitted applications for FY26. Please be on the lookout for communications from us with any clarifying questions, requests for information, or updates from our staff as we review.

Commuter Assistance Program (CAP) Reminder

Reminder to continue to work on and utilize your CAP Strategic Plans in the development of applications and program operations.

DRPT Connects Businesses 2025 (Jan. 27 – March 14)

This campaign aims to educate Virginia employers on the advantages of offering commuter benefits and hybrid work plans. By showcasing the economic and workplace benefits, this campaign will drive engagement with DRPT's free resources and encourage employers to implement these programs for improved productivity, employee retention, and cost savings.

Encourage employers to visit [ConnectingVA](#) for free resources, including:

Commuter Assistance Programs: Personalized guidance for creating custom commuter plans.

Employee Commuter Benefits: Information on tax incentives, transit subsidies, and commuter-friendly policies.

Hybrid Work Plans: Tools to design effective hybrid work schedules that maximize productivity.

NCDOT Launches New Intercity Bus Service Connecting to Danville

Transportation officials have launched a new intercity bus route connecting Danville, VA to Winston-Salem via Greensboro and Reidsville. The route, named the Triad-Danville Connector, will run two (2) daily round trips and better connect North Carolina's intercity bus network with the Virginia Breeze. For more information, view the press release [here](#).