Policies and Progress

for Massachusetts's Transportation System



Massachusetts is facing a transportation crisis. From MBTA derailments, to inadequate regional transit, to the nation's worst traffic congestion, the status quo is not working for residents and businesses. The Transportation for Massachusetts (T4MA) coalition supports a set of strategic policies to address the Commonwealth's problems. These must be implemented in ways that promote socioeconomic, racial, environmental, and geographic equity. In particular, these policies should be paired with programs that mitigate cost increases for lowincome households, using tools such as exemptions and credits. The Legislature should also continue to advance the Fair Share Amendment to create a more progressive tax structure.

Roads, Bridges, and **Transit Statewide** are in Poor Condition POLICY:

Increase the State Gas Tax by 25¢ / Gallon

PROGRESS:

- Improve Road and Bridge Maintenance Statewide
- Invest in MBTA and RTA Service
- Increase Funding for Local Roads (Chapter 90)

Transportation is a Major Source of Climate and **Air Pollution**



POLICY:

Advance and Adopt a Robust and Equitable Transportation & Climate Initiative

PROGRESS:

- Fund Climate/Weather Resiliency Projects
- Fund Enhanced Transit, Walking. and Biking Options Statewide
- · Create a "Mass Save for Vehicles" Program to Provide Rebates and Incentives for Cleaner Vehicles

Nation's Worst Traffic Congestion

POLICY:

Congestion Pricing on Highways Within Route 128

PROGRESS:

- Significantly Reduce Congestion with a Proven Method
- Fund Regional Rail
- · Fund Enhanced Regional and Local Bus Service

Cities & Towns Do Not **Have Enough Tools** to Fund Local **Projects**

POLICY:

Pass Regional Ballot Initiatives & Value Capture

PROGRESS:

- Give Voters More Sav in **Transportation Projects**
- Fund Local and Regional Proiects Statewide

80+ Million Annual **Uber/Lyft Trips Clogging Roads**



POLICY:

Enact 6.25% Fee on Uber/Lyft Trips, with Discount for Shared Rides

PROGRESS:

- More Shared Trips
- Fund Local and State **Transportation Projects**