



Legislation and Getting People Walking

The role of federal legislation in promoting active transportation

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1919 to 1991

- Eisenhower's 1919 X-country caravan
- 1956 Federal-Aid Highway Act
- 1991: ISTEA
 - TE, RTP

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Communities across America are using Transportation Enhancements (TE) funds from the federal government to expand travel choice, strengthen the local economy, improve the quality of life, and protect the environment.

At the National Transportation Enhancements Clearinghouse (NTEC), we can help you learn how to use TE funds to revitalize the transportation experience in your community. Follow the links to learn the basics of the TE program or to access state-specific information. You can also order free documents or call us for assistance at our toll-free number.

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[Federal legislation](#) related to TE is accessible through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) TE Web site.

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In Connections



Right now, the transportation world is anticipating the next surface transportation reauthorization bill scheduled for 2009. This is the proverbial calm before the storm, when we can reflect on what TE has contributed to the nation's Transportation needs, and what role TE might play into the future. Read it in [Connections](#).

**Do You
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QUESTIONS
ABOUT
TE?**

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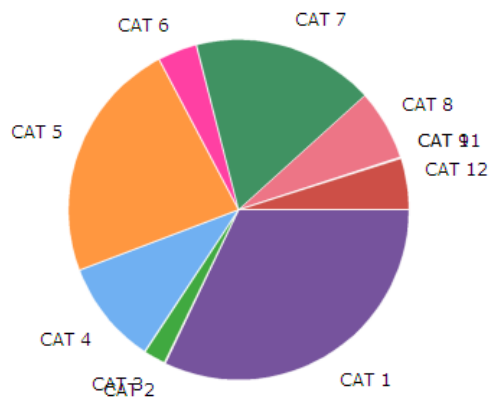
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Transportation Enhancement Program Profile Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)

Transportation Enhancement Program Funding History

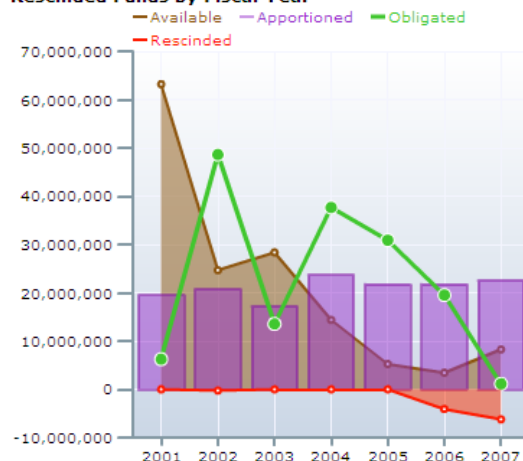
Virginia's Distribution of Programmed TE Funds by Category

Cumulative FY 1992 Through the Current Fiscal Year



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Virginia's Obligated, Apportioned, Available, and Rescinded Funds by Fiscal Year



For help with this chart please see our spending [report](#). In the report we discuss how NTEC tracks TE funds and the states' use of them over time.

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Virginia, 2006 + 2007:

- TE apportionment: \$44M
- Total mandated rescission: \$189M
- Total rescinded from TE: \$7.5M
- Months of TE cut: 2

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Pilot Communities

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Nonmotorized Pilot Program

This program introduces a network of nonmotorized transportation infrastructure facilities in 4 selected communities that connect directly with transit stations, schools, residences, businesses, recreation areas, and other community activity centers.

The pilot communities are:

Pilot Community: Columbia, Missouri

With a population of less than 100,000 residents, Columbia, Missouri is the smallest of the four pilot communities. The city is home to the University of Missouri-Columbia, a major research university. Thus, median age in this pilot community is the youngest of all four pilots, hovering around 27 years old. Like the other three pilot communities, more than 85 percent of the city's 45,000-person workforce commutes by vehicle (either alone or in carpools).



New Download



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Brochure



[The Nonmotorized
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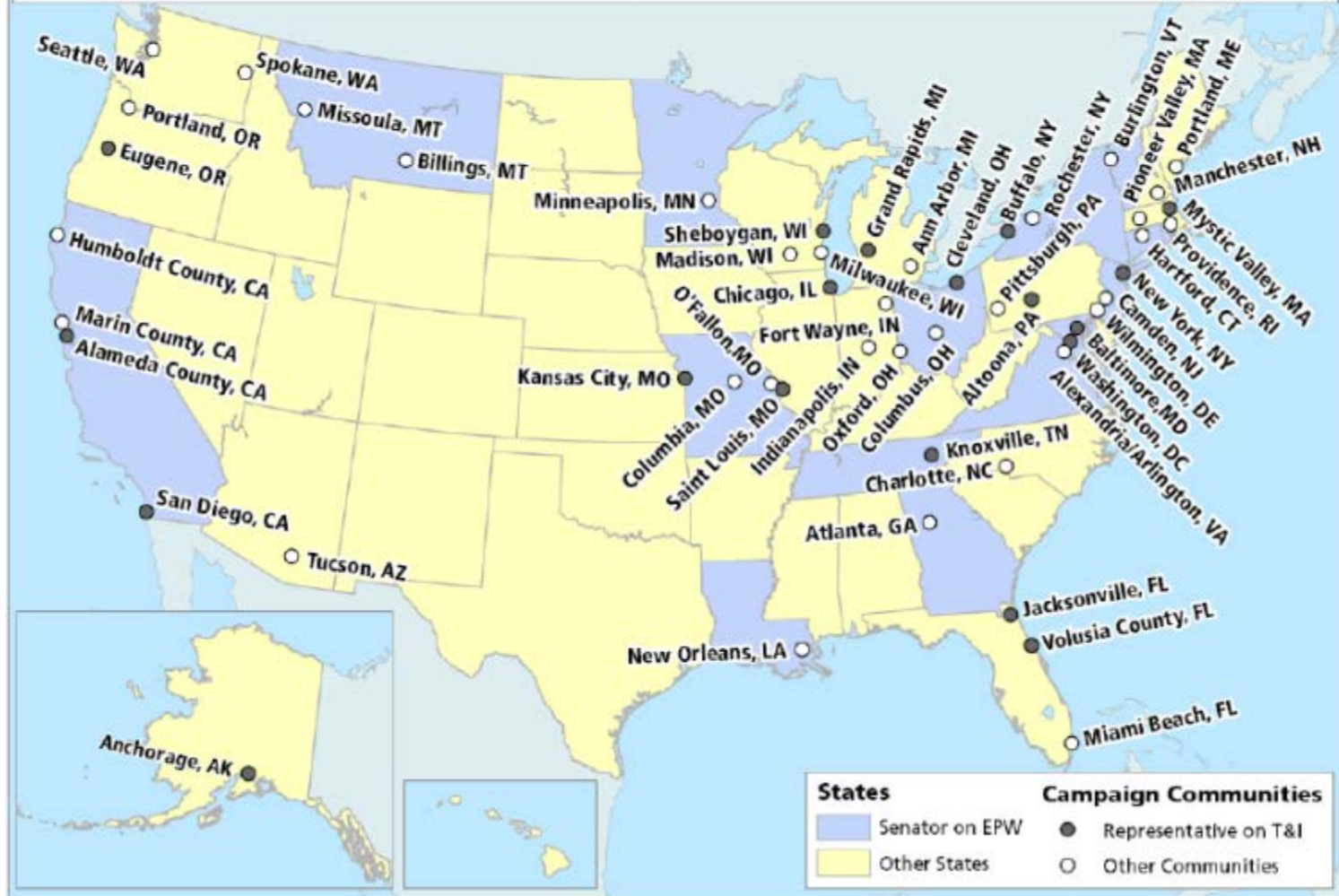
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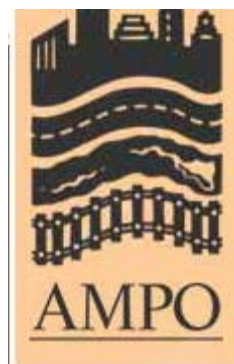
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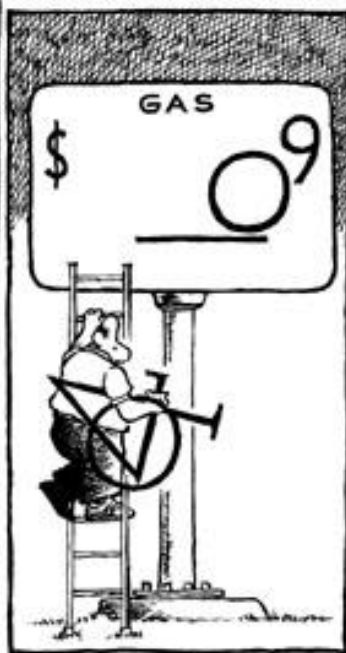
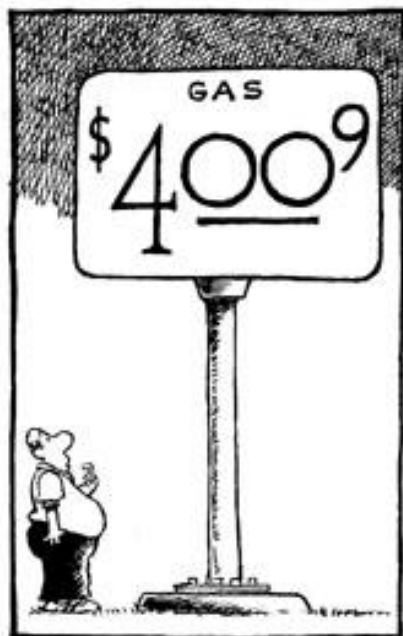
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Reauthorization Themes and Constraints

- Sunsetting of Highway Trust Fund
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 - Climate / energy
 - Refocus, Reform, Renew
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