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RED AND PURPLE MODERNIZATION (RPM) PHASE ONE
ECONOMIC IMPACT REPORT



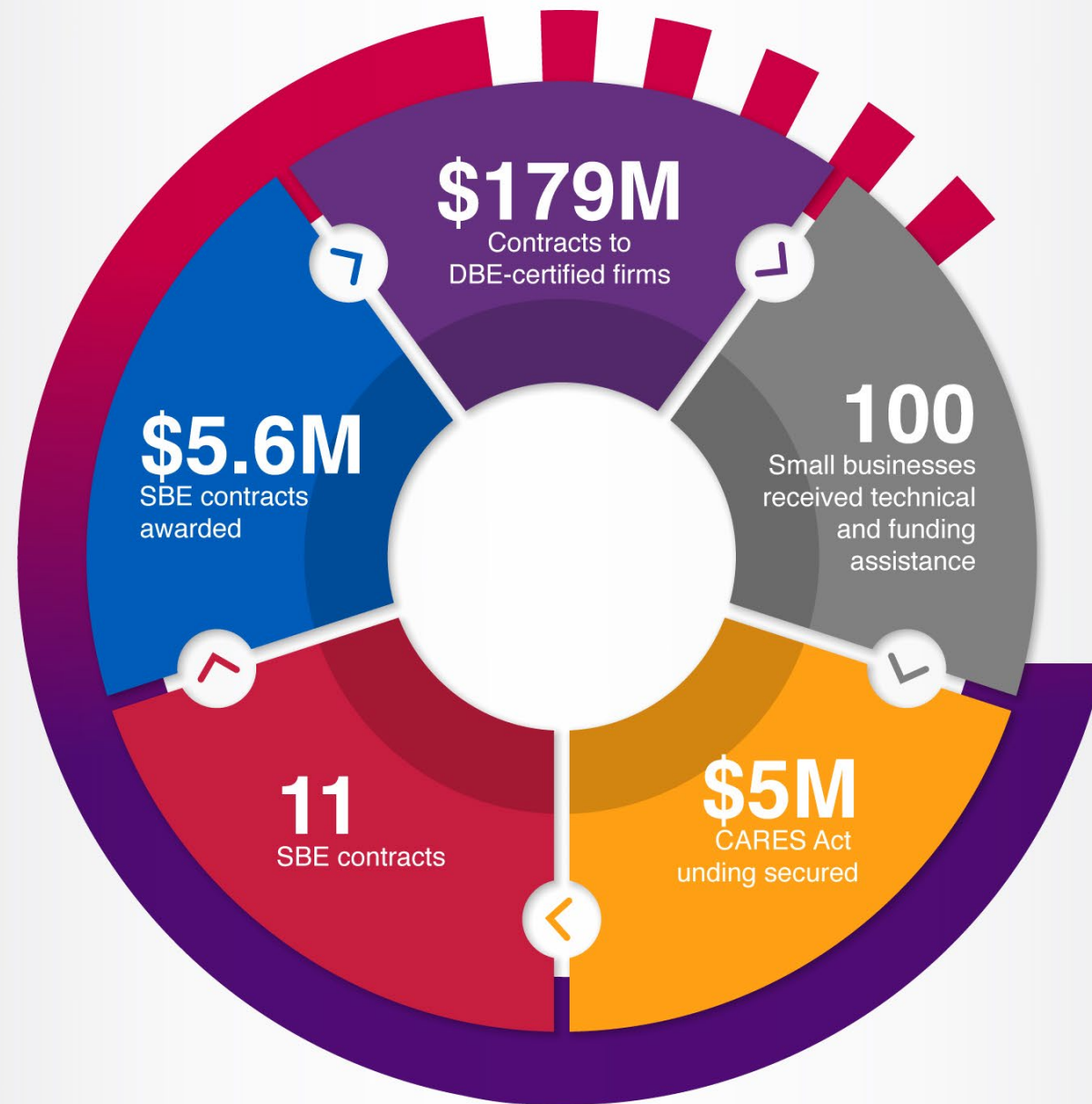


“Public transportation is a critical link to employment, education, and opportunity. This historic project serves as a catalyst for equitable economic and social mobility,” said **Dorval R. Carter, Jr., President, CTA.**

The Red and Purple Modernization (RPM) Phase One Project goes beyond modernizing Chicago's public transportation to strengthen communities, serve riders, and stimulate economic growth to create a better future for all.

The project integrates the rebuilding of a 100-year-old structure with programs that engender equitable economic and social mobility by ensuring that the project's workforce and contractors are as diverse as CTA's customers and the City of Chicago.





Key Facts

CTA and the RPM corridor

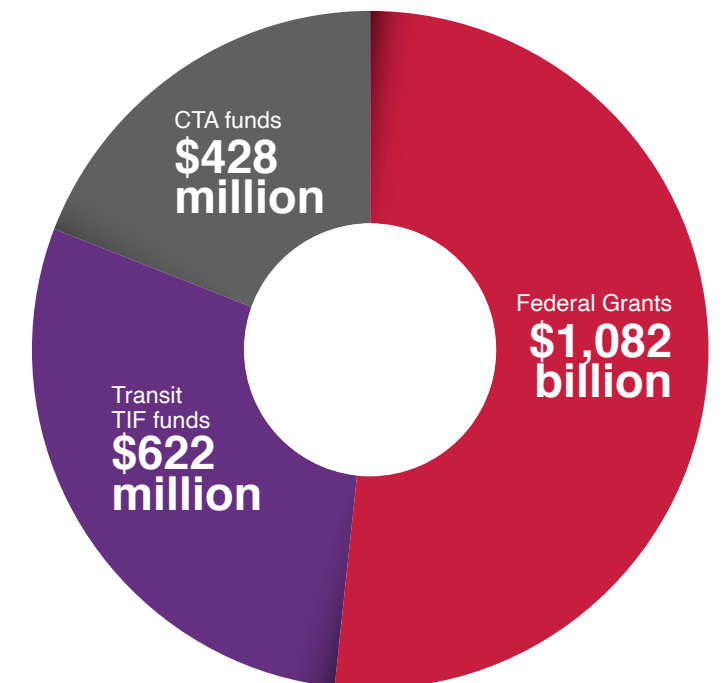
- CTA's Red Line is the busiest, providing more than 70M rides annually
- The RPM corridor is a 9.6-mile stretch that needs to be rebuilt in multiple phases to replace 100-year-old structures and increase capacity to add service

\$2.1 billion RPM Phase One (2019-2025) includes:

- Red-Purple Bypass: A rail bypass and track realignment to increase speed, reliability, and capacity
- Lawrence to Bryn Mawr Modernization: Reconstruction of six miles of track structure and four Red Line stations into modern, fully accessible stations
- Corridor Signal Improvement: Signal system upgrades covering 23 miles of track, improving service reliability

Phase One Funding

Federal sources includes \$957M Core Capacity funding and a \$125M Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) grant.



Transit Customer Benefits

- Increased service capacity
- More reliable and comfortable service
- New, modern CTA stations that are fully ADA accessible

Partnerships:



The CTA has taken a conscientious and intentional approach to transforming large-scale mega-projects, like the RPM Phase One Project, into an economic engine for Chicago.

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SBE/DBE and workforce goals for RPM contractor Walsh-Fluor Design-Build Team:

- DBE Goal- 20% design/20% construction
- DBE Commitment- 20.64% design/20% construction
- Workforce Goals (as percentage of labor hours)
 - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)- 10%
 - Economically Disadvantaged Areas- 35%
 - Union Apprentice- 15%



Achievements

Workforce Development

- Partnerships have been built with two workforce assistance agencies, HIRE360 and the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership, to recruit economically disadvantaged candidates for career opportunities related to RPM.
- Hosted Tracks to Trades, a four-part webinar series to educate CPS high school students about the construction industry and entering the building trades as a profession post-high school. The sessions focused on apprentice program requirements, safety in construction, and resume and interview preparation.
- CTA Elevating Futures Scholarship Program launched to encourage disadvantaged Chicago students to pursue four-year degrees in construction and engineering.

Small Business Inclusion

- More than \$179M of contracts have been awarded to DBE-certified firms and are expected to exceed \$200M in 2021
- CTA's Building Small Business program, as part of RPM, has provided technical and funding assistance to about 100 small businesses and has assisted them in securing almost \$5M of CARES Act funding in partnership with LISC-Chicago, SOUL, and HACIA.
- The RPM Phase One Communications and Outreach procurement strategy, completed in 2020, created 11 SBE contracts for more than \$5.6M.

*The CTA operates a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program (49 CFR Part 26) and strives to create a level playing field for small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. Through the DBE Program, the CTA also operates the race- and gender-neutral Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program designed to create opportunities for small businesses owned and controlled by economically disadvantaged individuals by setting contracts aside for small businesses to compete among themselves.



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