



# RTA Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

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# Public Comments

## Agenda and Non-Agenda Items - 2 minutes

### **State your name and city of residence**

- In person
- Phone: 440-276-4600
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# Committee Reports

## Ad Hoc Committee Reports



# New Hires and Promotions

September 2024

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# September New Hires



Toriano Leaks  
Operator



Gregory Hayes – Bey  
Operator



Thomas Stover  
Operator



Frederick Mitchell  
Operator



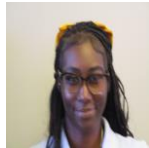
Deanna Rhinehardt  
Operator



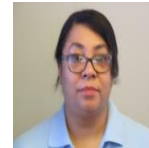
D'Angelo Flowers  
Operator



Stephon Cecil  
Operator



Shaila Huff  
Operator



Valina Swain  
Operator

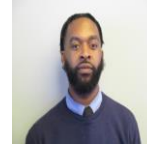
# September New Hires



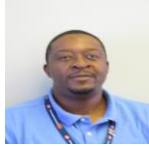
Chuana Robinson  
Operator



Seyonna Bell  
Operator



Nicholas Henderson-Paul  
Operator



Leeshon Williams  
Operator



Christopher Lacey  
Operator



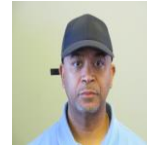
Calvin Johnson  
Operator



Lanatha Johnson  
Operator

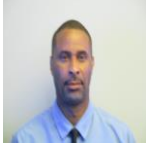


Antonio Walters  
Operators



Deon Rogers  
Operator

# September New Hires



Geoffrey Smith  
Operator



Jason Jones  
Operator



Millicent Miller  
Operator



Antonio Lee  
Operator



Diana Rivera  
Operator



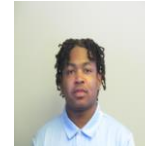
Ian Kidd  
Operator



Jason White  
Operator



Jerica Alzright  
Operator

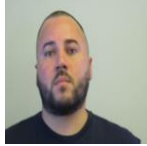


Bryce Hood  
Operator

# September New Hires



Milan Mandic  
Operator



Chares Hamilton  
Laborer



Ruben Morgan  
Manager of  
Operations Analysis



Londaryl Dodson  
Equipment Servicer



Steven Dunn  
Equipment Servicer



Dana Dempsey  
Equipment Servicer



# September Promotions



Miles Varga  
Supervisor of  
Traction Power



Jacqueline Scurry  
Telephone Operator/  
Information Clerk



Ryan Peacock  
Assistant Supervisor-  
Section



Kylie Cianciolo  
Staff Auditor I

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# Resolutions





# Secretary/Treasurer Update

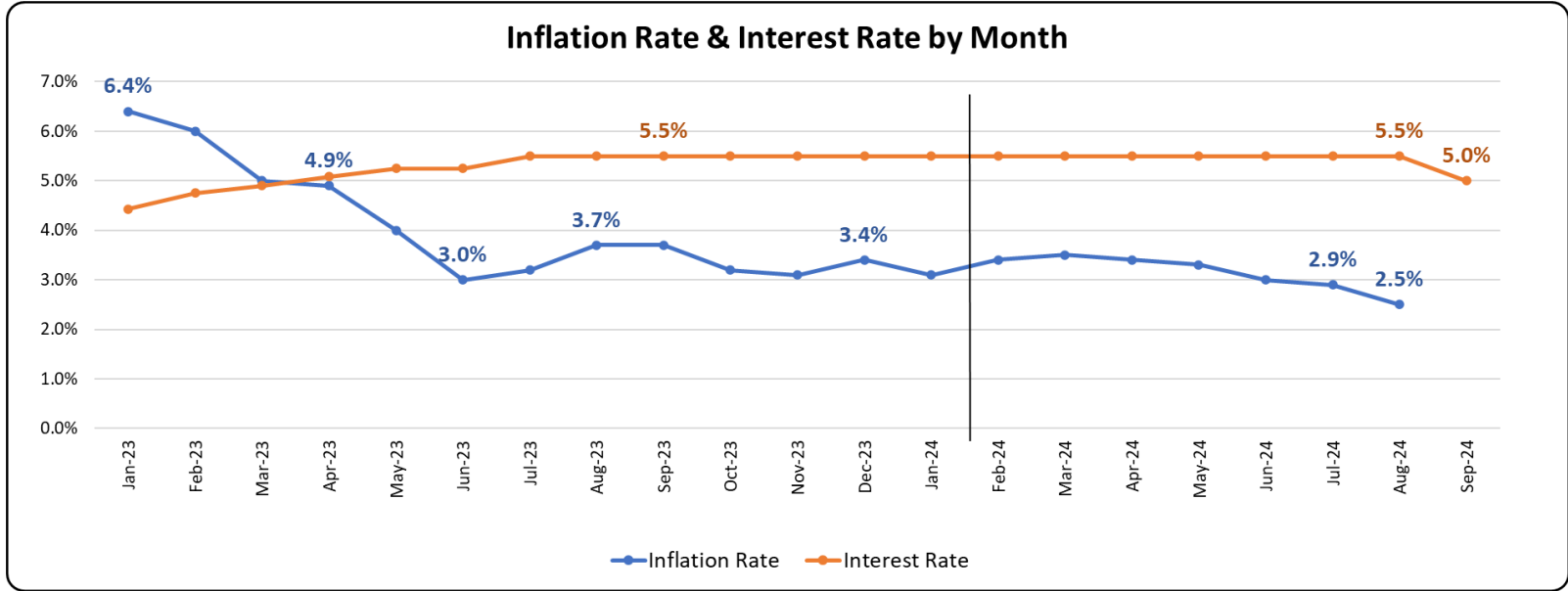
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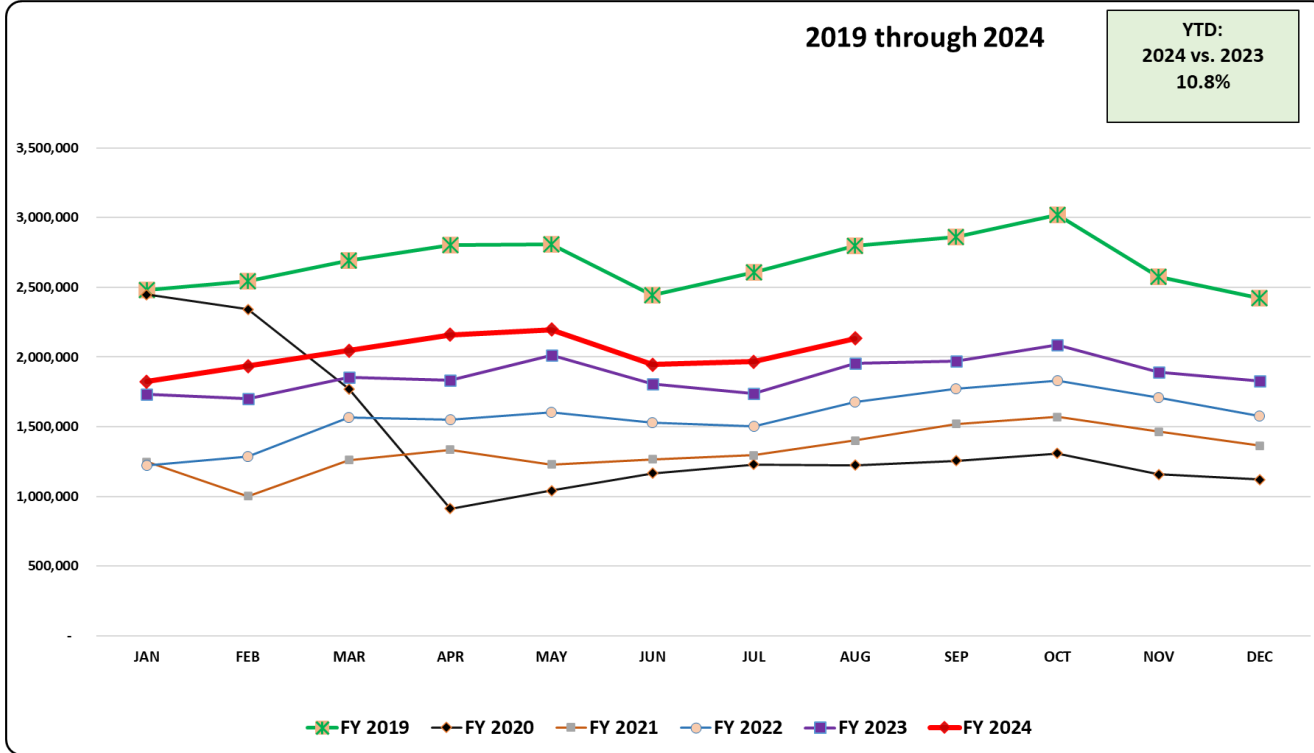
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# Economic Conditions



# Ridership



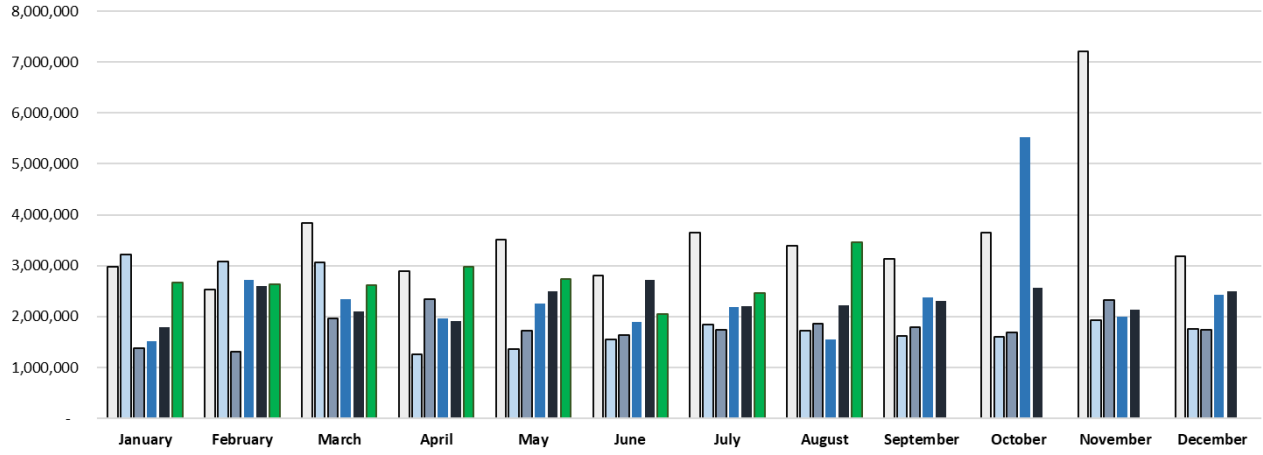
## YTD Ridership (in millions)

2019:	21.2	
2020:	12.1	(42.7%)
2021:	10.0	(17.3%)
2022:	11.9	19.0%
2023:	14.6	22.6%
<b>2024:</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>10.8%</b>

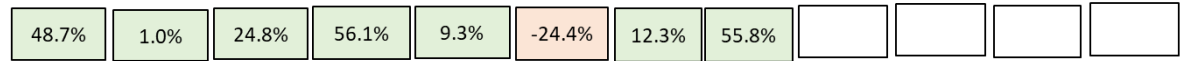
# Passenger Fares

2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024

YTD Variance  
(2024 v. 2023)  
19.8%



2024 v 2023



□ 2019 □ 2020 □ 2021 ■ 2022 ■ 2023 ■ 2024

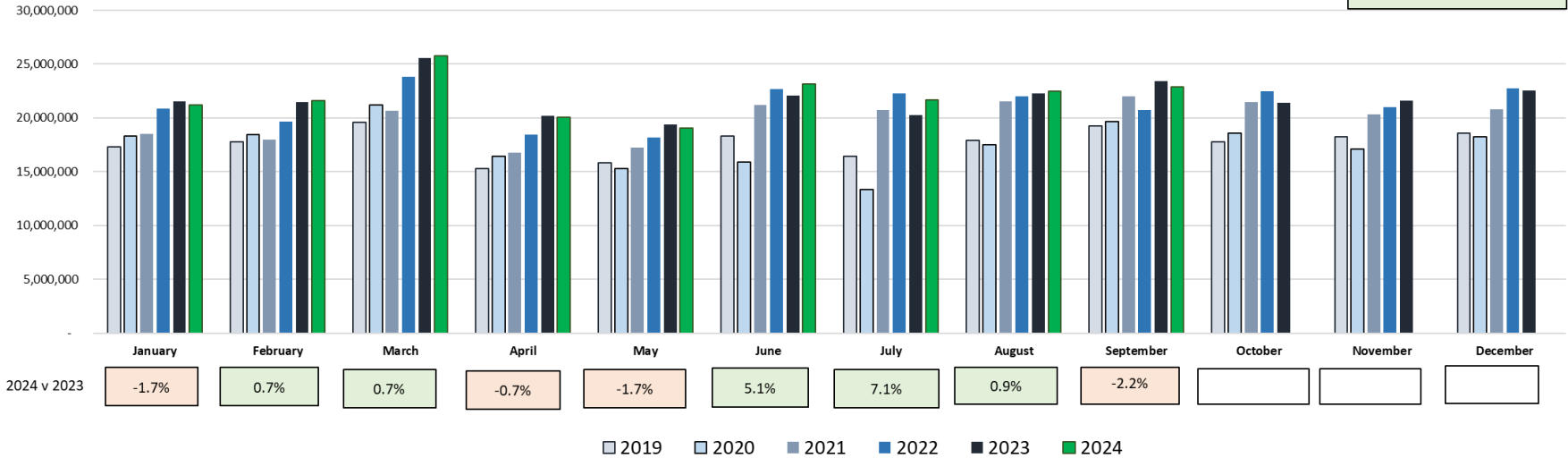
## YTD Passenger Fares (in millions)

2019:	\$25.6	
2020:	17.1	(33.1%)
2021:	14.0	(18.3%)
2022:	16.4	17.5%
2023:	18.1	9.8%
<b>2024:</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>19.8%</b>

# Sales Tax

Sales & Use Tax  
2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024

YTD Variance  
(2024 vs. 2023)  
0.9%



# Selected Data

Total Long-Term Debt – 12/31/2023	\$ 30.3 million
Average Investment Yield – YTD	4.49%
Cash and Investments	
Unrestricted (General Fund)	\$ 33.2 million
Restricted	<u>345.8 million</u>
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS	<u>\$378.9 million</u>



# Questions

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# General Manager, CEO Report

India L. Birdsong Terry

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# Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA) meeting with Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Leadership

**September 4, 2024 | Columbus, Ohio**



- Deputy General Manager of Administration & External Affairs Natoya Walker-Minor along with Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA) leadership met with Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) members, including Dr. Jack Marchbanks, Director of ODOT
- Discussed the 2026-2027 Transportation Budget, advocated for increased state funding
- Emphasized the need for greater flexibility with ODOT funding

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# Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority (TARTA) Site Visit



**August 29, 2024 | Main Office Building**

- TARTA and Toledo partners visited GCRTA to learn about developing a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system
- Discussed BRT operations in Greater Cleveland
- Rode the Cleveland State Line and HealthLine for firsthand experience and to see examples of Transit Oriented Development

# Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA) meeting with Governor DeWine's policy staff

**September 12, 2024 | Columbus, Ohio**



- India L. Birdsong Terry, General Manager & CEO along with OPTA members met with Governor DeWine's policy staff to emphasize transit's role in workforce development and economic growth
- Discussed increased costs and requested state support for bus replacements and greater flexibility in ODOT's use of transit dollars
- Advocated the need for stronger state-local partnerships to expand transit access, mobility, and equity initiative

# 2024 WTS Northeast Ohio Innovative Transportation Solutions Award



**September 17, 2024 | Great Lakes Science Center**

WTS Northeast Ohio selected GCRTA's "Baby on Board" program as the winner of their chapter's Innovative Transportation Solutions Award

- As the recipient of the chapter award, our nomination will be submitted to compete for the Innovative Transportation Solutions Award at the international level in 2025



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# 2024 Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) Northeast Ohio Leadership Award



**September 17, 2024 | Great Lakes Science Center**

WTS Northeast Ohio selected GCRTA's General Manager & CEO India L. Birdsong Terry as the winner of their chapter's 2024 WTS Leadership Award

- As the recipient of the chapter award, the nomination will be submitted to compete for the Women of the Year Award at the WTS International level in 2025

# Ride Free – Election Day

**Roll to the  
Polls**

RIDE **FREE** AND VOTE  
ON ELECTION DAY:  
NOVEMBER 5, 2024



**November 5, 2024 | All-day**

- Grant award provided to GCRTA by Cleveland Foundation
- Remove potential barriers for all residents to participate in the democratic process
- Applies to all modes of travel (Bus, BRT, Rail, Paratransit)

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# Mike York – Dedication Ceremony



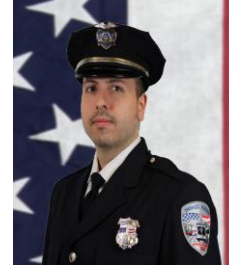
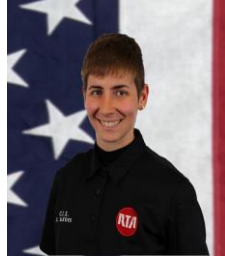
## September 6, 2024 | West 117-Madison Rapid Station

- In Memory of Mr. Michael C. York and his service to Greater Cleveland
- Deputy General Manager - Operations for 19 years, 1998 to 2017
- Dedicated Public Transit Professional

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# TRANSIT POLICE PROUDLY CELEBRATES NATIONAL CO-RESPONDER & CRISIS RESPONDER WEEK



September 15-21, 2024

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# Cleveland Leadership Center

## Way Forward Leader Lunch Break series



GCRTA: More than  
Buses and Trains

India L. Birdsong Terry  
GCRTA General Manager & CEO  
SEP 18 | 12:00-12:30 p.m.

### September 18, 2024 | Virtual Presentation

GCRTA is driving economic growth and connecting communities through Transit Oriented Development (TOD) and championing sustainability with every ride

#### Key points of discussion included:

- Crucial nature of public transportation in promoting sustainability, connectivity and social equity across Greater Cleveland
- Advocacy as a mechanism to help educate elected officials of policies and operational markets affecting public transportation agencies across the nation
- Diversity, equity and inclusion as an equalizer within GCRTA to help promote fair treatment, promotion, compensation and resource allocation for employees

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qd5IF0lnItE>

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# Questions