

GreenTRIP Fact Sheet

Green Transit Incentives Program

What is GreenTRIP?

The Green Transit Incentives Program (GreenTRIP) provides capital funding to eligible municipalities and other stakeholders in support of local sustainable public transit projects. Approved projects increase ridership, reduce traffic congestion and help to lower greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

Program Criteria

Applicants must:

- Demonstrate the benefits of the project.
- Show a clear commitment to continue the project operations once it is in place.
- Contribute a minimum of one-third of the capital cost of the project.
- Identify how the project will help reduce GHG emissions.

Examples of eligible capital projects include:

- construction of light rail transit (LRT) and inter-city commuter rail systems;
- planning for and acquisition of transit or commuter rail corridors;
- park-and-ride facilities for regular transit operations;
- construction of bus terminals;
- purchase of public transit vehicles (i.e., LRT vehicles, and fuel-efficient, hybrid or accessible buses); and
- installation of intelligent transportation system components, such as bus arrival information systems and hardware/software transit technologies.

GreenTRIP projects could result in an estimated nearly one million-tonne reduction in greenhouse gas emissions over 10 years based on information provided in project applications. This is roughly equivalent to removing 20,000 cars from Alberta roads each year for 10 years.

Projects – Complete or nearly complete

- **More than \$470 million to the City of Calgary** for the South West Rail Transit Line, LRT vehicles, transit way predesign and transit-oriented development planning.
- **More than \$437 million to the City of Edmonton** for the Metro Line LRT extension and LRT vehicles.
- **More than \$13 million to Strathcona County** for the park-and-ride terminal in Sherwood Park.
- **More than \$3 million to the City of Leduc/County of Leduc** in support of intermunicipal bus service.
- **More than \$2.8 million to the City of Airdrie** to support local and intercity transit service, bus facilities, and articulating and low-floor buses.
- **More than \$1.2 million to the City of Grand Prairie** for low-floor buses.
- **\$900,000 to the Canmore-Banff Regional Transit Project** to purchase low-floor buses.
- **More than \$100,000 to the Town of Hinton** for bus shelters, accessibility features, trash receptacles and passenger safety items.

Albertans are already seeing some of the benefits of GreenTRIP commitments worth nearly \$1.6 billion, since the first call for applications in 2010.