

The City of Mesquite, under Texas Transportation Code Chapter 458, serves as an urban transit district for the part of the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington (DFWA) urbanized area (UZA) within the city limits of Mesquite and therefore receives state funding. The City of Mesquite was a limited eligibility transit provider until 2015 when STAR Transit assumed the responsibility to operate demand-response service for the general public in Mesquite. The City of Mesquite currently contracts with STAR Transit to operate the commuter bus service COMPASS.

The service area of the City of Mesquite is the city limits, crossing Dallas and Kaufman Counties. Two regional transportation authorities (Dallas Area Rapid Transit and the Fort Worth Transportation Authority) and three limited eligibility transit agencies (Arlington, Grand Prairie, and Northeast Transportation Services) serve the DFWA UZA beyond the city limits of Mesquite. STAR Transit is the public transportation provider in the rural areas of Kaufman County.

The governing board for the transit services of the City of Mesquite is the Mesquite City Council.



Urban Transit District

- Service Area Population¹: 141,201
- Service Area Land Area²: 47.23 sq. Miles
- Unlinked Passenger Trips³: 29,777
- Revenue Fleet³: 23 Vehicles



Urban Transit District Service

Service Information

P Commuter Bus Service

COMPASS, identified as Express Bus Route 282 on the DART website, connects Mesquite's Hanby Stadium and Lawnview Station on the DART Green Line.

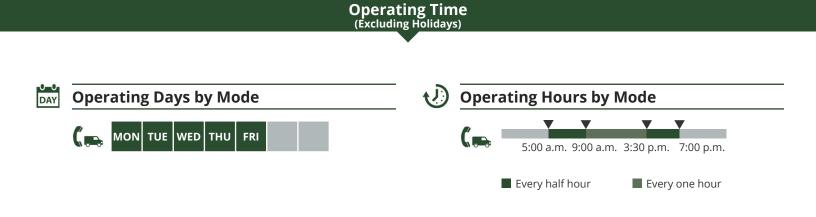
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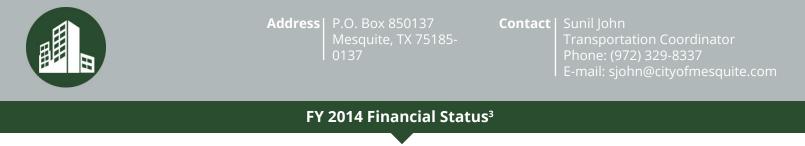
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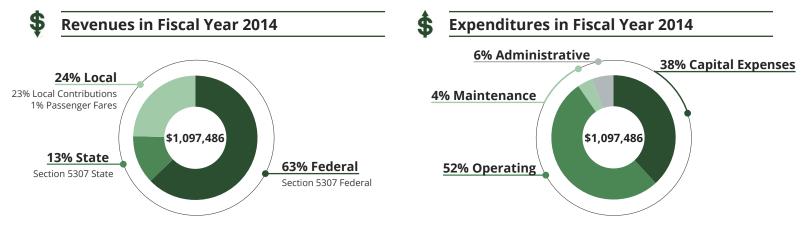
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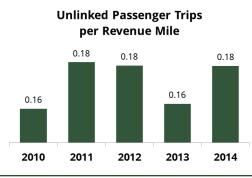




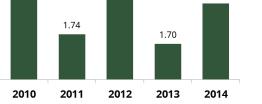


FY 2010–2014 Performance Measures⁴



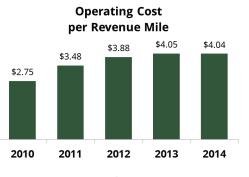




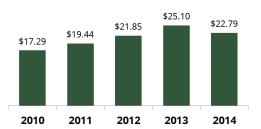


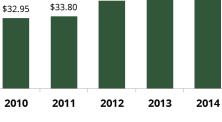
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Efficiency in the Past 5 Years



Operating Cost per Passenger





Operating Cost

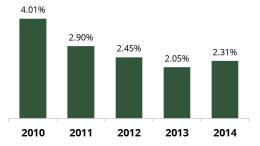
per Revenue Hour

\$41.16

\$42.63

\$42.54

Fare Recovery Ratio



Projects in the 2015–2018 STIP⁴

Implementation Year	Project Name	Cost
2015	Capital - Support Urbanized Area Transit Service	\$575,000
2015	Operating Assistance	\$500,000
2016	Capital - Support Urbanized Area Transit Service	\$575,000
2016	Operating Assistance	\$500,000
2017	Capital - Support Urbanized Area Transit Service	\$575,000
2017	Operating Assistance	\$500,000
2018	Capital - Support Urbanized Area Transit Service	\$575,000
2018	Operating Assistance	\$500,000

Data Sources:

¹U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2009–2013 5-Year Estimates.

²U.S. Census Bureau, 2013 TIGER/Line Shapefiles: Places.

³Texas Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division PTN-128 Fiscal Year 2011–2014 Data.

⁴Texas Department of Transportation, Proposed 2015–2018 District Statewide Transportation Improvement Programs.

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