

Transit moves people better.

One full ART bus carries the same number of people as 40+ cars.

Based on the capacity of 30 and 40 foot buses, a 30 foot bus carries between 20-34 people and the maximum capacity of a 40 foot bus carries between 38-75 people.

ART connects people to jobs.
Transit supports economic development.



2,631

Projected new jobs in St. Lucie County, according to 2021 data



87%

Trips on public transit have a direct impact on the local economy



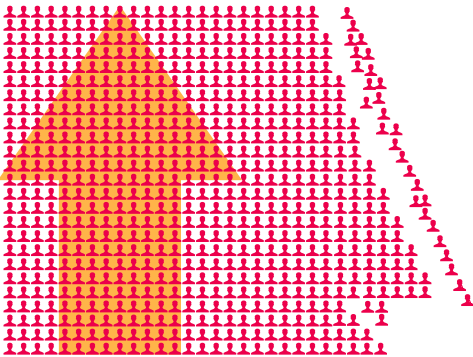
7%

Of all riders are students



71%

Of all riders are employed



Even more people are coming to St. Lucie County.

Planning for the population projections.

- City of Port St. Lucie is growing exponentially with a population growth of **+29.7%** in the last ten years.
- St. Lucie County has a population of **340,060** people.
- Port St. Lucie is ranked **6th fastest growing midsize city in the south.**

Options to get more people, more places, more often.

ART provides a variety of services.



2,658
Daily Rides



8
Routes



193
Stops

Microtransit Zone Serving **Twenty Square Miles**



Afterhours Service
With Uber For Late Shift Workers



Door-to-Door
Services For The Elderly And Disabled



Regional Services For Persons With Intellectual Or Developmental Disabilities

Transit Operations and Maintenance Facility

What?

- ▶ **Competitive federal grant opportunity to construct the county's first Transit O&M Facility.**
- ▶ **\$17 million** total project cost.
- ▶ **\$7.5 million** raised.

Why?

- ▶ It's an **investment** that will help the St. Lucie County transit system become **more efficient and reliable.**
- ▶ Taxpayers will benefit with **reduced overhead costs** and **improved asset management.**
- ▶ The county's existing bus fleet is valued at over **\$20 million**, without a home to manage these **valuable assets.**

Why now?

- ▶ St. Lucie County continues to experience **incredible population growth.**
- ▶ The **federal government has invested in infrastructure**, it's time for St. Lucie County to do the same.



Choosing ART maximizes the roads we have.



ART takes over **2,000 cars** off the road each weekday



More than **two-thirds** of riders walk to their stop or station.

ART provides transit for ALL of us.

ART's Commitment To Social Equity

- ▶ **128,100** people live within a ½ mile of an ART bus stop. Of which, 56% are non-White or of Hispanic origin, and 45% are within the 200% of the poverty threshold.
- ▶ **19%** of children in St. Lucie County live in poverty.
- ▶ All ART buses are **fare-free to riders**, eliminating the barriers to opportunities.

Using ART Saves Money

- ▶ The average household spends **16 cents of every dollar on transportation**, and 93% of this goes to buying, maintaining, and operating cars, the largest expenditure after housing.
- ▶ A household can **save nearly \$10,000** by taking public transportation and living with one less car.