

Pioneer Valley Transit Authority FY26 State Operating Assistance

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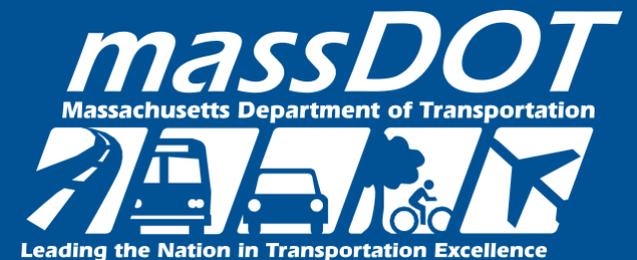


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Background



- The FY2026 budget provides the 15 Regional Transit Authorities with State Operating Assistance funding for purposes of operating transit service.
- Though all 15 RTAs receive State Operating funding in various amounts, the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (“PVTA”) is the only one that exceeds the signature authority currently delegated to the Secretary/Chief Executive Officer.
- PVTA is the largest RTA in Massachusetts. It provides 48 fixed routes and demand response service to the Pioneer Valley region of Western Massachusetts. The service area covers 627 square miles, 24 communities, and a population of over 580,000 people.

Contract Term

- Contract 130461 between MassDOT and the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority would be effective July 1, 2025, and conclude on June 30, 2026.
- This contract would provide State Operating Assistance to Pioneer Valley Transit Authority to operate transit service.

Request to MassDOT Board of Directors

Staff requests that the Finance and Audit Committee recommend the MassDOT Board of Directors to authorize the Secretary of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, or their designee, to execute contract number 130461 to transfer \$26,821,970 to the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority and any such amendments as may be required by statute.

Thank You

