

**Client: Virginia Department of Rail and Public
Transportation**

Location: Richmond, VA

Virginia now requires transit agencies to complete and submit a Transit Development Plan (TDP) as a condition for state funding assistance. The Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) is providing technical assistance through its on-call consultant staff for small and mid-sized transit agencies. As an on-call consultant, CTG has prepared TDP's for the following local transit agencies:



Phase 1 TDP's

- City of Bristol Transit
- Valley Metro (Greater Roanoke Transit Co)
- City of Danville
- Williamsburg Area Transit (WAT)

Phase 2 TDP's

- Arlington Transit (ART)
- Fredericksburg Regional Transit (FRED)
- Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC)
- City of Fairfax (CUE)
- Williamsburg Area Transit (WAT)
- Greater Lynchburg Transit Company (GLTC)

Phase 3 TDP's (in progress)

- JAUNT (Charlottesville)
- Blacksburg Transit
- Pulaski Area Transit
- Charlottesville Area Transit (CAT)
- Loudoun County

Key tasks completed for each TDP include:

- An evaluation of existing ridership, service and financial performance characteristics
- A peer review comparison with similar-sized transit systems
- A transit opinion survey that has been administered to riders
- Public outreach efforts to garner input from key stakeholder groups
- Development of goals, objectives and performance standards
- Identification of transit service and facility needs (Needs Plan)
- An operations plan that describes how fixed route and demand response services are intended to be modified over the TDP period (Cost Feasible Plan).
- A capital improvement program that describes capital programs required to carry out operations and services set forth in the TDP operating plan.
- A financial plan that demonstrates how the operator plans to provide a sustainable level of transit service over the TDP planning period.

Work completed for the Greater Lynchburg Transit Company and for Charlottesville Area Transit was expanded to include a more detailed analysis of existing ridership, development of route profiles and specific route alignment and service frequency recommendations