

MABA FFT Article URLs (v.02JUL2021)

<http://www.busadvocates.org>

ARTICLES : Fares and Funding : The Latest Situation : No Fares? : URLs of Facebook Posts Re. Fare-Free Transit 2019-2020
<http://www.busadvocates.org/articles/fares/FFTF5-FFTarticleURLS-2021-06-26.pdf>

2021

Los Angeles Turns Toward Free Fares:

How far a fareless public-transit program goes will depend on a pilot program debuting in August

https://prospect.org/infrastructure/transportation/los-angeles-turns-toward-free-fares/?fbclid=IwAR0CA8Urz4sfu9CpqTXPWR48XdQTIV5qTaMLk_DNirSd0SEtKRp8RdCYNaa

LA Metro Moves Forward With Plan To Explore Free Transit System

https://laist.com/news/transportation/la-metro-fareless-transit-pilot-students-low-income-riders?fbclid=IwAR06FEeK9MrVAnnMQBW4AAAF-buvQe_SeLXipaa_jbbwsLJf9Oy9yf0Z18kU

Everyone Gets A Seat On The Bus, For Free, As Kansas City Transit Returns To Full Capacity

https://www.kcur.org/news/2021-05-31/everyone-gets-a-seat-on-the-bus-for-free-as-kansas-city-transit-returns-to-full-capacity?fbclid=IwAR0E5JapUJBDwginQ0Pcl2WX9Ao1UamIj1JpycZQeuLDMip_36dir4X6nmw

Virginia makes \$40 million available for free mass transit programs

https://wtop.com/virginia/2021/05/virginia-makes-40-million-available-for-free-mass-transit-programs/?fbclid=IwAR27N01U_3IYCNU74AuAdqiqZ-0_tU9rWNMnpV8vR1q3qbnuaMl0cifSA

After showing its worth during pandemic, momentum builds for free- or reduced-fare transit

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/transportation/interactive/2021/public-transportation-free-fare-future/?fbclid=IwAR2PWMKJ5Ycy7JNnf1JkICTrHftGFsKwp7laWVv5nbj491fq-DITvWbnK5U>

Should Virginia bus systems go fare free forever?

https://www.virginiamercury.com/2021/04/06/virginia-bus-systems-could-go-fare-free-for-at-least-three-years/?fbclid=IwAR1nxQ2I0eAqWc_Oa4hQC8gumr7hBKpMsZHKTVb3xSDF_By4CvXZrFC1Ws

MTA Will Spend \$249M On New Cops to Save \$200M on Fare Evasion

<https://nyc.streetsblog.org/2019/11/14/mta-will-spend-249m-on-new-cops-to-save-200m-on-fare-evasion/?fbclid=IwAR1jjFopP8zvNJd3AhI4ZpkKI3YDfpjC2KmRmXckfCkNy7spzAu9nW35GbU>

The pandemic cost public transit dearly. Will Pittsburgh-area riders return in 2021?

<https://www.publicsource.org/covid-public-transit-port-authority-pittsburgh-allegheeny-county-fare-2021/?fbclid=IwAR134UykWHTq4DVIw5GFOeO5gwoJq4xkr0ibPchMnahI7HcVOgxCH14qLo>

Jo Ann Hardesty is Portland's new transportation commissioner

https://bikeportland.org/2020/12/28/jo-ann-hardesty-is-portlands-new-transportation-commissioner-324319?fbclid=IwAR2EuGJnUAm0tpqo9O5p3CrI9cwJaxXabHbjOab2yhYoz_cqCk-mafbXSUI

Missoula Voters Approve Bus System's Expansion of Free Service

https://missoulain.com/news/local/missoula-voters-approve-bus-systems-expansion-of-free-service/article_33cc4856-65bd-5b48-a161-cb3f743b3f62.html?fbclid=IwAR2YaFXDdWvtRhR7LpB_QBEuQNFb1EibPjBmMSQ5XKXiggmKXfTHfLrMaU

2020

The wild idea of making MBTA buses free is gaining traction [Boston]

<https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2020/01/06/the-wild-idea-making-mbta-buses-free-gaining-traction/A5mw1bOfykqS9JdY6vXNIJ/story.html?fbclid=IwAR26h1qzGzYJ3qD3LZnHjBqmV0Wzy1axCKesW0zF-YqRJNd9AxzEv5-aIw4>

Bus Rapid Transit Should Be Built More Rapidly

Cities are taking years to build bus lane infrastructure when temporary pilots can bring bus-only lanes to a region more quickly.

https://usa.streetsblog.org/2020/01/08/bus-rapid-transit-should-be-built-more-rapidly/?fbclid=IwAR0onIhFYCrMvCuh1sXm4RyMrBxXBx_J820p0I4kDSviKViq4rUIVxm3L6A

Move by Olympia, Washington to Create 'Zero Fare' Public Transit Called a 'Beautiful Thing'

City is latest in the country to offer publicly-funded transportation for residents and visitors.

https://www.commondreams.org/news/2020/01/09/move-olympia-washington-create-zero-fare-public-transit-called-beautiful-thing?fbclid=IwAR3C_NNRYJIEm4pBjFnHjtZrAJ-RIGq5ppfKdMdqTRuloXRiAQ_rTNmRsU

Use Gas Tax Increase To Make MBTA Bus Rides Free, New Boston City Council President Says

https://newbostonpost.com/2020/01/06/use-gas-tax-increase-to-make-mbta-bus-rides-free-new-boston-city-council-president-says/?fbclid=IwAR2TQX9XHyfgOgBqAFBct5fJPLjEUWBcKv6NKbVuYij6ED8_48ZE0xpFD7o

Mobility is NOT a business: Why the pandemic-induced collapse of mass transit should concern us all

<https://www.resilience.org/stories/2020-12-13/mobility-is-not-a-business-why-the-pandemic-induced-collapse-of-mass-transit-should-concern-us-all/?fbclid=IwAR0GdNM-RcBzW3nMU-880x7y0sZl-DKzq4RuBy3Mo3-G-DemW8C3jXlyj4>

2019

After Kansas City made transit free, what about the Twin Cities?

Riders help fund Metro Transit's large system.

<http://www.starttribune.com/after-kansas-city-made-transit-free-what-about-the-twin-cities/566721742/?fbclid=IwAR0mR2MuSSQavwTuQjC0342R3hHjWzJAYk34KZ2VlPgLXr5cbqQrbaO698>

Kansas City Tries A Radical Way To Get More People On Buses

<https://www.npr.org/2019/12/23/790687307/kansas-city-tries-a-radical-way-to-get-more-people-on-buses>

Free transit isn't enough. Transportation needs to be a right.

Guaranteeing Americans universal access to opportunity would be transformative

<https://www.curbed.com/2019/12/20/21031126/free-transit-universal-transportation-access?fbclid=IwAR0mMuxAFcPnsrTSKYATe2471T7e2VTXUKC007KJ5H4twh7e4Gf1ihxIjU>

All-free Miami-Dade transit is answer, Xavier Suarez says

<https://www.miamitodaynews.com/2019/12/17/all-free-miami-dade-transit-is-answer-xavier-suarez-says?fbclid=IwAR2XDHATr2xMTtIAc62Xy4P04srybikg0AYW4cSMUX6ZliDdifNQS76iVWA>

Free public transit is gaining popularity in European cities

https://qz.com/1442882/free-public-transit-is-gaining-popularity-in-european-cities/?fbclid=IwAR1d-PHvr_Y-pBc3LppRogAc5PokN9AD5RRJiWPG2mZG2m_jTv5bF6Mak3g

Kansas City is making its bus system fare-free. Will other cities do the same?

Smaller cities have experimented with free public transit, but it hasn't been implemented yet on a larger scale.

https://www.vox.com/the-goods/2019/12/17/21026425/kansas-city-free-bus-system?fbclid=IwAR1m3B-g5C_z8ps_hxLCxzxRbivIfvUkBA677XFKRMG911oDgrBleY60aI

Free transit is just the beginning

<https://farefreenz.blogspot.com/2019/?m=0&fbclid=IwAR1JmnkOA2dKaYf7Vz76Xy8TvFke4d0V0-m7j4NAs-YvqpLd1XqDknc1iWQ>

Kansas City Moves Ahead with Free Buses

The Missouri metropolis is set to provide free bus service for residents but state and local governments take more steps to ensure transit thrives in the region.

<https://usa.streetsblog.org/2019/12/09/kansas-city-moves-ahead-with-free-buses/?fbclid=IwAR21LZCtLsdJ387sCVSXgU1AIj7nezw-oSjZrbsS9I0TT0ANOPhGcPnLjrA>

Kansas City becomes first major American city with universal fare-free public transit

<https://www.kansascitymag.com/kansas-city-becomes-first-major-american-city-with-universal-fare-free-public-transit/?fbclid=IwAR3zggk5L-9GRK44E-T5mrs-nLSHq5VTJbQDrub1YgjZQB3FhIvOyLquUM>

As New York Cracks Down On Fare Evasion, Another City Weighs Free Transit

A newly elected socialist city councilman in Cambridge, Massachusetts, wants to make the bus and train system his city shares with Boston free for its residents.

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/mbta-free-transit_n_5dd2e1d6e4b01f982f06b00c?se5&fbclid=IwAR0KewII0nSvM2b09IzqV9mJ1jKfgJvPw7dCz_w95_37DQoGxX3QD602Bmw

Kansas City bus service should be free for everyone. In the future, it could be

<https://www.kansascity.com/opinion/editorials/article231975432.html?fbclid=IwAR3o8HZg74vprx-pVvePbKS3doWrrYYIcKFt0FFMOdV6SeEWOJxGtLGaTqQ#storylink=cyp>

Luxembourg Becomes First Country to Make All Public Transit Free

<https://www.archdaily.com/908252/luxembourg-becomes-first-country-to-make-all-public-transit-free?fbclid=IwAR20uTq3PHpdzvCZK8JJsc2ZNTS9WJf5yYeDIqYfap5Ra1nNYB5HeQYDdIs>

MTA Will Spend \$249M On New Cops to Save \$200M on Fare Evasion [New York City]

https://nyc.streetsblog.org/2019/11/14/mta-will-spend-249m-on-new-cops-to-save-200m-on-fare-evasion/?fbclid=IwAR24an79YR7pTWXE8VNv9LwbBa0XF1SIX1E_62CiRpQ458DWf_Az_pt2U5E

Kansas City Council gives OK to free bus service. Here's why that's a good idea

https://www.kansascity.com/opinion/editorials/article237321984.html?fbclid=IwAR2baAXO_zaTn8RCZDvKzXwj1oFDIHGOYTp_DZccDU5VqVRx54VPaQa2mPc

Free the Transit System!

No, seriously. Like, actually make it free. A rust belt guide to increasing ridership.

<https://reasonstobecheerful.world/free-the-transit-system/?fbclid=IwAR19hN3zYmJ1dKwnbL6y3y4Ao382K75WvxsXY6mmnrezNDLF4XkiB7rAlko>

Sacramento Region to Launch Free Transit Pass for Youth

https://nextcity.org/daily/entry/sacramento-region-to-launch-free-transit-pass-for-youth?fbclid=IwAR2W9p3SHVY-1yXH9Dyab7wvIj1dnH8KxIWztU4tg9sGXZ94prsQ1HkHm_k

Kansas City Considers Doing Away with Transit Fares Citywide

https://nextcity.org/daily/entry/kansas-city-considers-doing-away-with-transit-fares-citywide?fbclid=IwAR0xpW7uNmCdgo_ZBIqoQ7cLTkDmTNRfcl9IpekkVP-dGTfBLCIGsS3utnc

By 3-1 margin, Salt Lake City residents favor converting to a free bus system

<https://www.sltrib.com/news/politics/2019/08/06/by-margin-salt-lake/?fbclid=IwAR1EJvgwRezn1QLTx6hS5cVGYeuNqa2xfjnNogK605qQQUaW5H5M5kp40TI>

Salt Lake City May Create Free-Fare Transit

https://usa.streetsblog.org/2019/08/08/salt-lake-city-may-create-free-fare-transit/?fbclid=IwAR2-Hf7VHNkUQTUjXq070F_uebRlrStAekY3Xh6sfXVeGN544Dt42z3h_A

Berlin makes public transport free for all schoolchildren

<https://www.thelocal.de/20190801/berlin-makes-public-transport-free-for-all-students?fbclid=IwAR1gWksYUGmo4I6GO3xLHDQksTXAgyB4oas9Kvq5q3eIB4MLmNW-PqcYoa8>

A French Town's Green Policies Aim to Win Over the Working Class

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/07/25/world/europe/france-greens-social-policy.html?fbclid=IwAR0wnENZdNPvTcQFiMo9RVsjANxg8zp-J9MFa7pp2f9zEGSBRGjHZgM148c>

Rock Hill, SC Installs A New Free-To-Ride Fully Electric Transit Bus System

https://cleantechnica.com/2019/07/17/rock-hill-sc-installs-a-new-free-to-ride-fully-electric-transit-bus-system/?fbclid=IwAR0MHe1aSAMg5FeZVBfXASkoZgX2Kz2UJwy-hO_Vkd9YhLPAYzUb4vTOHhg

Sacramento students will get free transit rides for one year. Here's how to get your pass

https://www.sacbee.com/news/local/article231484098.html?fbclid=IwAR1dsiXZmYtayIfJ69sxae2IOrfakG1Ql6xHQe7A2F74WtC_Bj629vDphIE

Denver to offer teens a free transit pass on their smartphones

https://www.coloradopoliitics.com/news/denver-to-offer-teens-a-free-transit-pass-on-their/article_da8b075e-7e52-11e9-be6a-a7f33e5ed449.html?fbclid=IwAR2BJpdhpoXe-ONZ_KjwdCd-ikgyVXLtCXi5LqcmzjGIGC8U2ANWLHE9hVU

Report: Make Muni free to offset ride hail impacts

Study suggests best response to influx of Uber drivers is expanding access to public transit

<https://www.sfexaminer.com/the-city/report-make-muni-free-to-offset-ride-hail-impacts/?fbclid=IwAR0XL28ydiHii8ki8RGNhEAJdvVR72bbDctJ5XoeDTpDZiSCP8z4orq2J9w>

Could a New Mayor Bring New Transit to Tampa Bay? (Hint: She'd Better!)

Residents are hopeful as the region's transit authority unveils its 'Envision 2030' plan.

<https://usa.streetsblog.org/2019/05/14/could-a-new-mayor-bring-new-transit-to-tampa-bay-hint-hed-better/?fbclid=IwAR2aAGjzShHSa5f8rUSyDyXZ8gX0JaQa6DTp-GkX54I6pW72I9oyl6fQwIk>

My Transportation Wish List for the City of Madison

<https://medium.com/@philipcrawford/my-transportation-wish-list-for-the-city-of-madison-b3f8eb51bf90>

The Case for Making Transit Free (and How to Pay for It)

<https://www.theurbanist.org/2018/12/27/the-case-for-making-transit-free-and-how-to-pay-for-it/?fbclid=IwAR0Dx6-FNu7aibM04cdCL8EiCTRtzn2PNECvhqyQiCcmHe7dmIAfpug>

Washington Will Decriminalize Fare Evasion. Better Idea: Free Transit

Evidence of discrimination in enforcement drove D.C.'s City Council to decriminalize transit fare evasion. But cities should consider abolishing fares entirely.

https://www.citylab.com/perspective/2019/02/washington-fare-evasion-free-public-transport-train-ticket/582160/?utm_source=newsletter&silverid=%25%25RECIPIENT_ID%25%25&utm_campaign=citylab-daily-newsletter&utm_medium=email&fbclid=IwAR3poSzT6R9XLpSQcuNPnyPsa9xShoMNRde5jrvfCTeob31tqSsaY7fj3yc

The cost of Luxembourg's free public transport plan

<https://www.bbc.com/worklife/article/20190128-the-cost-of-luxembourgs-free-public-transport-plan?fbclid=IwAR2mifb0zfcQGteD75jIruts0oK8m9EvRJvoiIFxrIgAZHG6GdAzZtFdvCM&referer=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2F>