



Support the Growth of Passenger Rail Service Across America!

Background: With a growing and diverse population, environmental challenges, and increased traffic congestion, America needs a rail network that offers frequent, reliable, sustainable, and equitable train service. Investment in passenger rail service can be a catalyst for economic development and prosperity across America. Amtrak has the vision and expertise to deliver it.

The Challenge: America has changed, but our aging rail infrastructure has not. Many of our country's biggest and fastest growing metropolitan areas with diverse populations do not have the rail service they need or deserve. Millions of people, including large populations of people of color, do not have access to a reliable, fast, sustainable, and affordable passenger rail option. This is neither fair nor equitable.

The Solution: Amtrak has a vision to create half a million skilled jobs, generate approximately **30 billion dollars** in direct investment in communities and reduce carbon emissions by nearly 50% compared to car travel. However, government investment is required to support passenger rail around the world, and the U.S. is no different. Enhanced funding and tools to build and operate new and improved routes requires:

- **Funding** – Increased federal funding for Amtrak's National Network Grant to support operating and capital costs for new and improved corridor routes.
- **Fair Access** – A streamlined and expeditious process for accessing freight rail lines and determining reasonable capacity improvements.
- **On-Time Trains** – New enforcement tools for Amtrak's existing right to preference over freight trains to ensure our riders arrive on time.

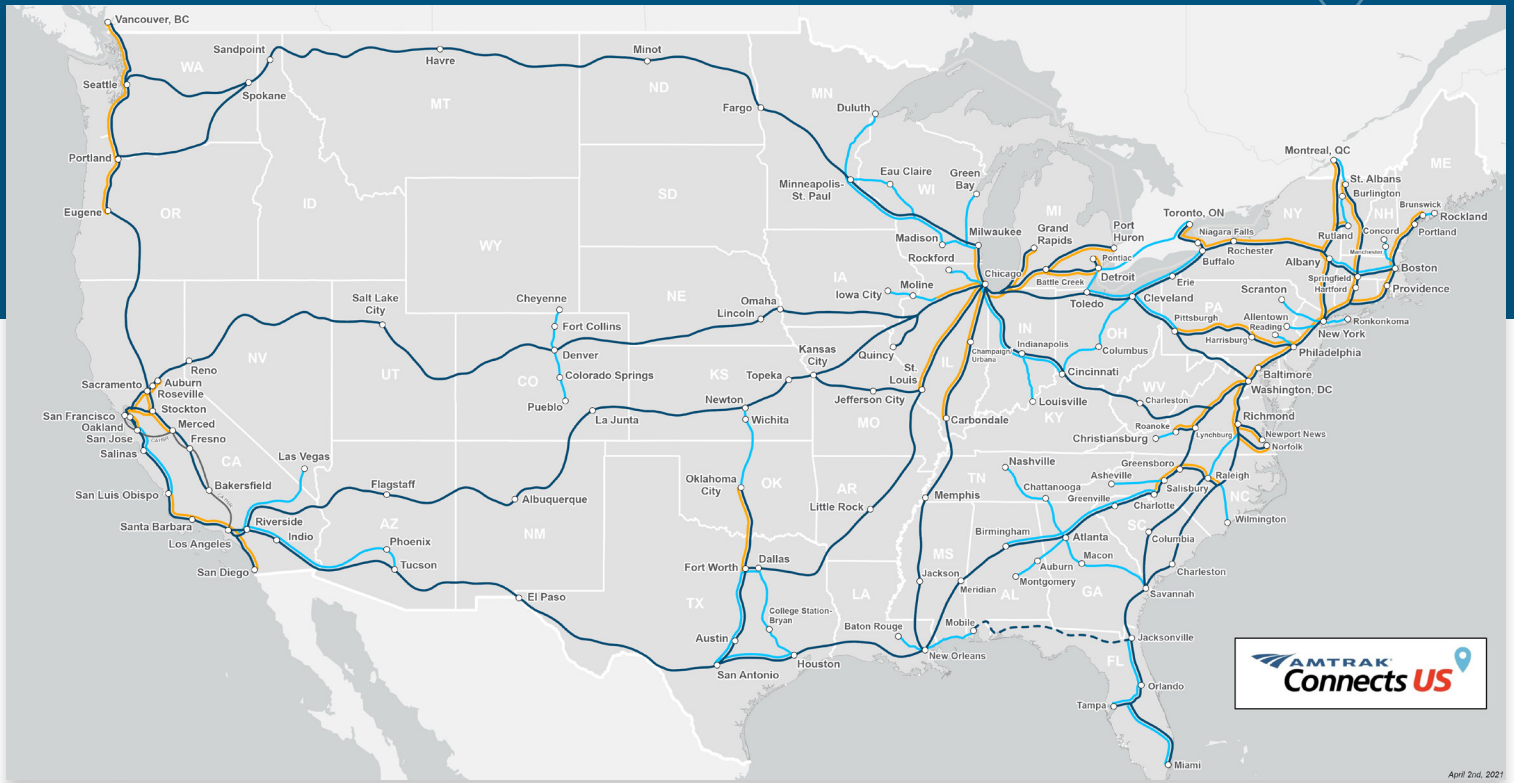
Contact Your Elected Officials Today!

Contact your elected officials today and urge them to support funding of Amtrak's 2035 Vision. Investment in Amtrak's passenger rail infrastructure will:

- Connect up to **160 communities** and key city-pairs throughout the United States by building new or improved rail corridors in over **25 states**.
- Introduce new stations in over half of U.S. states.
- Increase rail service to **47 out of the top 50 metropolitan areas**.
- Expand or improve rail service for **20 million** more riders.
- Improve the environment: traveling on Amtrak is up to **83% more energy efficient** than driving and up to **73% more energy efficient than flying**.
- Combat inequities in access to affordable transportation.

AMTRAK® Connects US

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- AMTRAK NATIONAL NETWORK
 - NEW SERVICES
 - ENHANCED SERVICES
 - SERVICE SUSPENDED
- (NOT ALL STATIONS ARE SHOWN)

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