The Strategic Plan will guide both the long-term strategy of CapMetro as well as day-to-day decision-making over the next five years. The plan, which defines agency priorities and outlines how each department contributes to a shared mission and vision, bridges the gap between the agency’s mission and goals and the annual budgeting process. The Strategic Plan feeds into the annual budget development process, aligning necessary funding with initiatives and actions.

CapMetro is advancing the Strategic Plan concurrent with Project Connect to guide the agency both in taking on the new responsibility of operating expanded fixed guideway transit services as well as maintaining focus on meeting its mission and striving toward its vision.

**KEY CHALLENGES TO ADDRESS:**

- Significant hiring and training needs.
- Balancing short-term urgent needs with long-term strategic objectives.
- Revisiting and refining the operating model.
- Adoption of new technologies and systems.

**Strategic Plan Framework**

The centerpiece of the Strategic Plan is the strategic framework, which provides CapMetro a basis for making key strategic decisions. The overall framework consists of four key elements based on the foundational core values of the agency.

- **METRICS**: Measures how well Capital Metro is achieving its vision. Initiatives and Actions are intended to impact metrics.
- **MISSION, VISION, GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES**: Describes what Capital Metro hopes to achieve. Evergreen and long term.
- **PRIORITIZATION**: The work Capital Metro is doing to realize its strategic vision.
- **INITIATIVES AND ACTIONS**: The work Capital Metro is doing to realize its strategic vision.

**The Austin Metro Area is the FASTEST GROWING metro area in the U.S.; population is expected to DOUBLE by 2040**
The Strategic Plan Framework

**CORE VALUES**
Safety, Innovation, Equity, Transparency, and Sustainability

**MISSION**
To empower, enhance, and serve the region and its communities through the responsible delivery of high-quality public transportation.

**VISION**
CapMetro is integral to the region and its communities, providing connectivity, fostering economic activity, and ensuring safe, environmentally sustainable, and equitable access to opportunity.

**GOALS**

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<td>Provide a convenient, desirable, and accessible option for mobility in the region and its communities.</td>
<td>CapMetro is the leader in supporting a growing region, collaborating with partners and communities.</td>
<td>CapMetro has a productive, invested, and valued workplace.</td>
<td>CapMetro responsibly and sustainably delivers on its mission.</td>
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**OBJECTIVES**

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<th>Provide reliable and safe transit service.</th>
<th>Maintain a high-quality customer experience.</th>
<th>Ensure CapMetro has a system that is accessible for everyone in the region.</th>
<th>Be a regional leader in supporting sustainable growth through expansion of access to jobs, services, and opportunities.</th>
<th>Continue to improve the environment by transforming into a fully carbon-neutral transit agency.</th>
<th>Collaborate with the community, riders, and stakeholders to be responsive to their needs.</th>
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<td>The Strategic Plan centers on implementation of 13 key initiatives that will help CapMetro realize its goals and objectives. Each initiative is in turn comprised of multiple detailed actions, or specific special projects, investments, programs, or changes to operating procedure and policies that CapMetro can implement to realize its goals and objectives.</td>
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**INITIATIVES**

1. Invest in systems for data analysis that inform agency decision-making
2. Continue implementation of Project Connect
3. Develop and pilot innovative service models
4. Refine operational SOPs for Service Standards
5. Incorporate environmental sustainability into all aspects of agency operations
6. Transition to battery electric bus fleet
7. Implement employee retention initiatives
8. Support the partnership between CapMetro, the City, and ATP to deliver Project Connect
9. Improve the quality of our bus service
10. Create an equitable, sustainable, and progressive fare structure and policy
11. Enhance our public safety program.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

To measure progress toward achieving the mission, vision, and goals for the Strategic Plan, CapMetro has defined a set of performance metrics to report on:
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Accessibility and Equity
- Safety
- Reliability
- Route Performance
- Ridership
- Customer Satisfaction
- Environmental Impact
- Financial
- Economic Development
- Workforce and Hiring
- Design and Engineering
- Materials Management
- Asset Management
- Technology

The Strategic Plan is a dynamic and living document. Progress on the Plan’s actions will be monitored frequently to enable CapMetro to stay on task—as well as pivot when necessary. CapMetro Leadership, staff, and the Board will continue to use the plan as a guiding star in adapting and advancing to continue progress toward our vision and to meet our goals related to customers, the community, our workforce, and organizational effectiveness.