

# **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION in NORTHWEST INDIANA**

**Wicker Park Social Center,  
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# NIRPC's MPO Role

## Long Range Transportation Plan

- Regional Goals and Objectives
- Priorities
- Expansions

## Short Range Transportation Improvement Program

- Criteria
- Project Selection and Programming



# Designated Recipient Role

- Administrative Oversight of 7 Operators for compliance with federal rules and regulations
- Receive and pass through federal funds for all 7
- Submit annual grant applications, conduct financial oversight and complete quarterly reports



# How Public Transit is Funded

- Local Support from fares, municipal property taxes, other federal programs, county economic development income tax, county property taxes
- State Support - Public Mass Transit Fund from sales tax
- Federal Support from Federal Transit Administration



# WHAT KINDS OF TRANSIT ARE THERE?

- Fixed Route – Established routes, stops and fares
- Complementary Para-transit – Required of fixed route systems, riders must qualify and register for service
- Demand Response – May be general public or limited to elderly and disabled, fares and hours set by operator
- Commuter and Passenger Rail



# Who are the Region's Existing Public Transit Operators

## Direct Recipients

- Gary Public Transportation Corporation
- Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District
- Michigan City Transit



# NIRPC's Sub-Grantees

- East Chicago Transit
- North Township Dial-A-Ride
- South Lake County Community Services
- Opportunity Enterprises
- Porter County Aging and Community Services
- Valparaiso Transit
- La Porte TransPorte



# FY 2014 Sec. 5307 Operating, PM and Capital Lake County

Gary Public Transportation Corp.	\$5,243,874
NICTD (South Shore )	3,595,849
East Chicago	603,158
South Lake County Community Services	533,267
North Township Dial-A-Ride	181,485



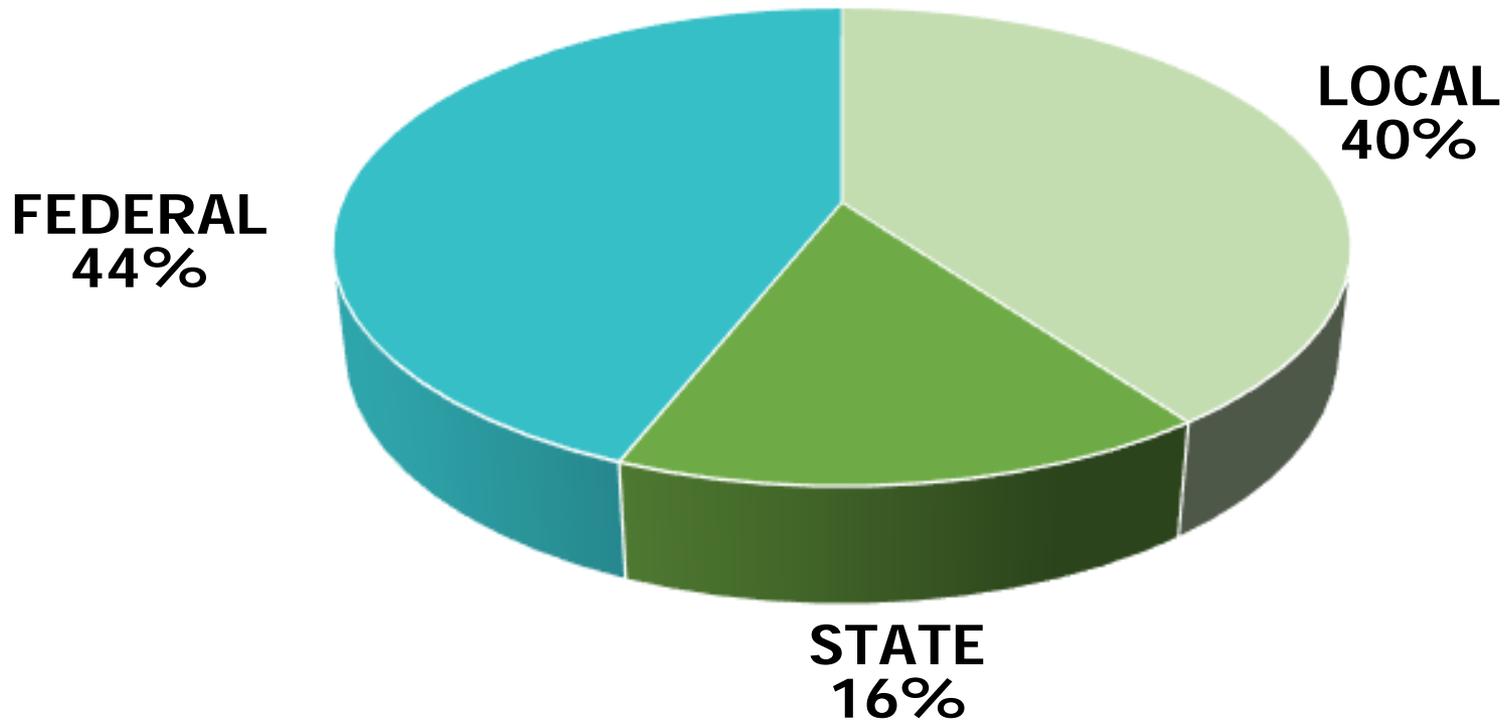
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- Valparaiso 695,423
- Porter Co Aging & Community Services 311,953
- Opportunity Enterprises 215,692

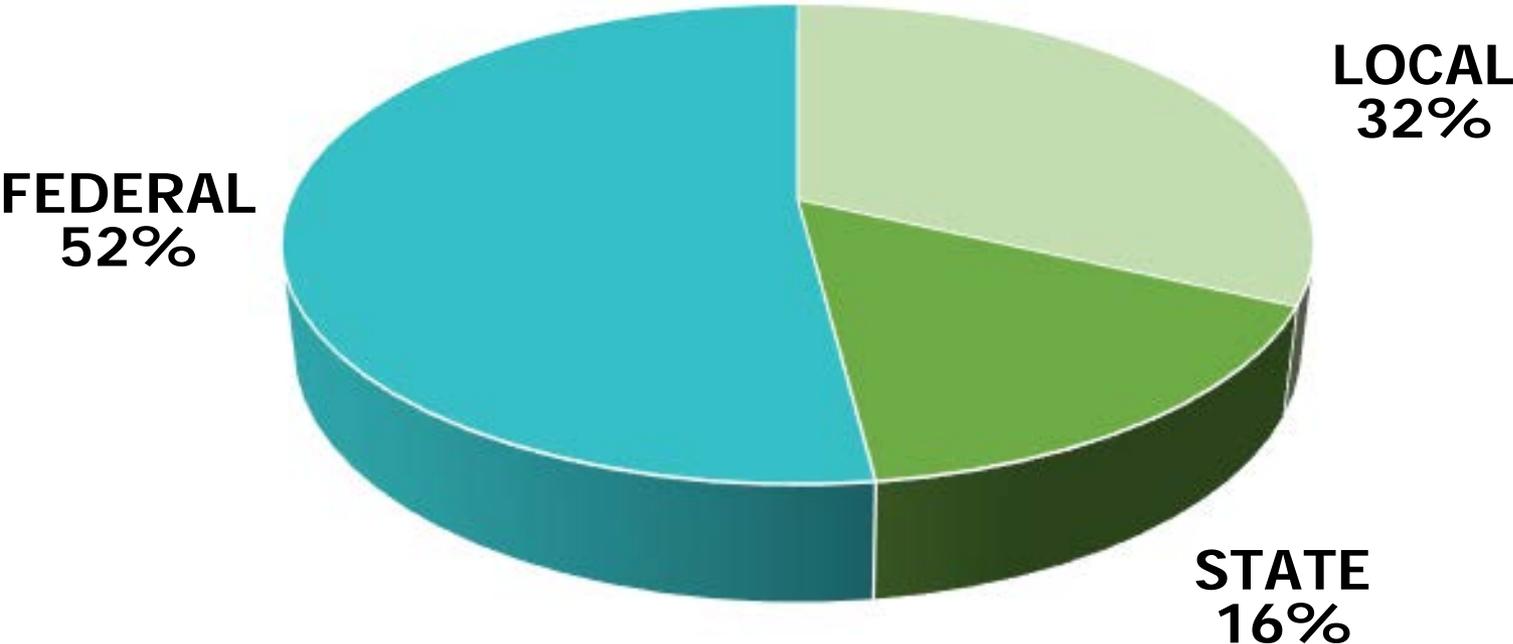
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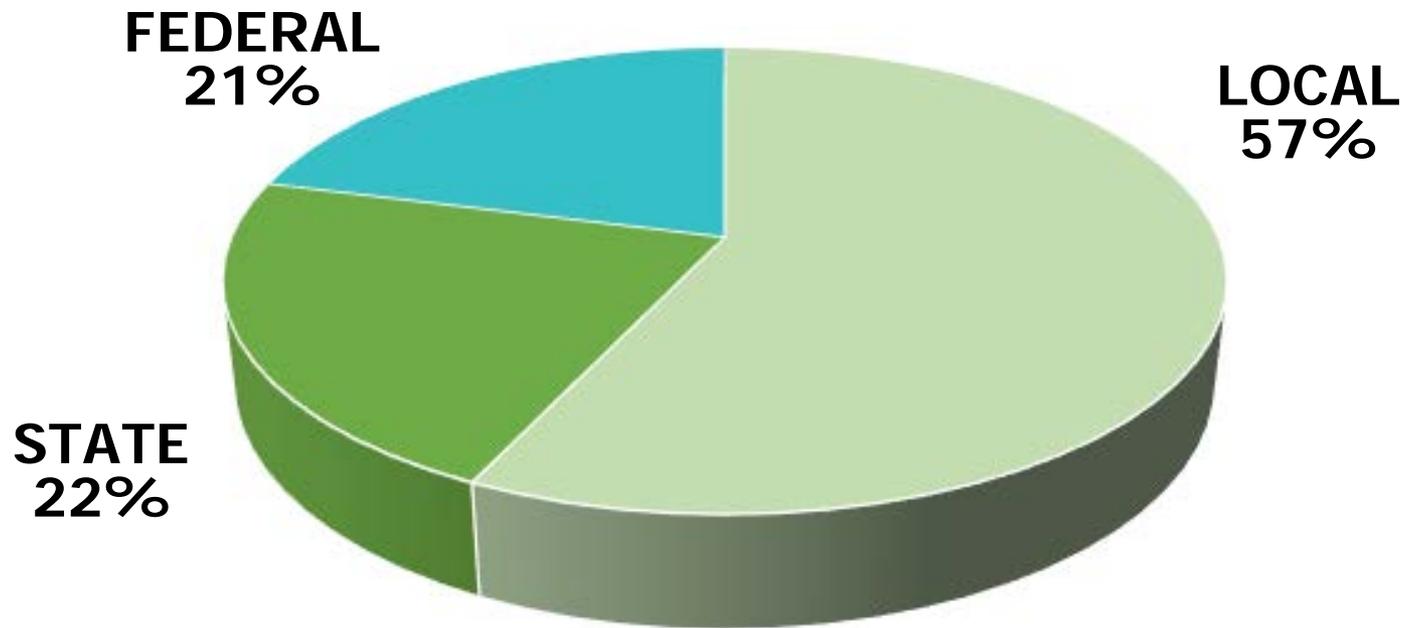
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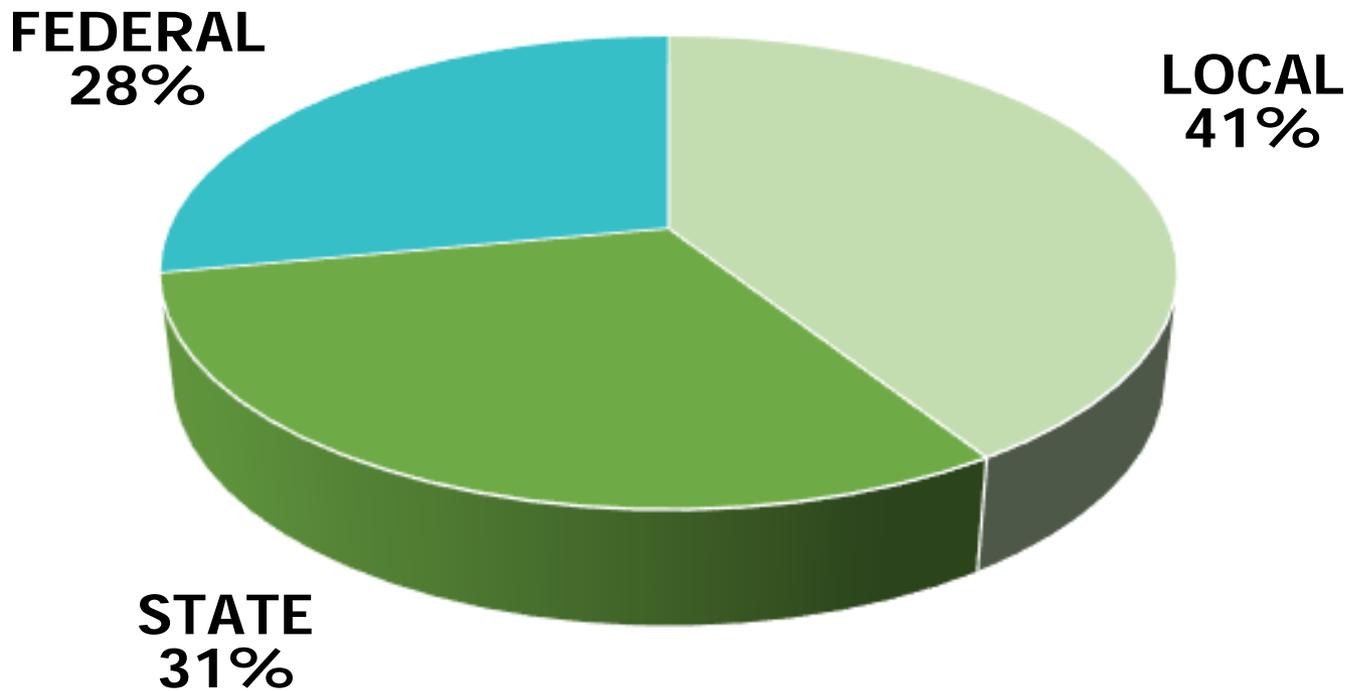
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# 2012 Demand - Response



# 2013 Demand - Response



# Ridership for 2012 and 2013

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
• NICTD	3,668,098	3,606,926
• GPTC	691,413	719,184
• ECPT	186,035	193,467
• Valparaiso	148,574	179,378
• OE	60,878	65,428
• SLCCS –	52,505	47,931
• North Twp.	10,994	32,999
• PCCS	24,493	23,024

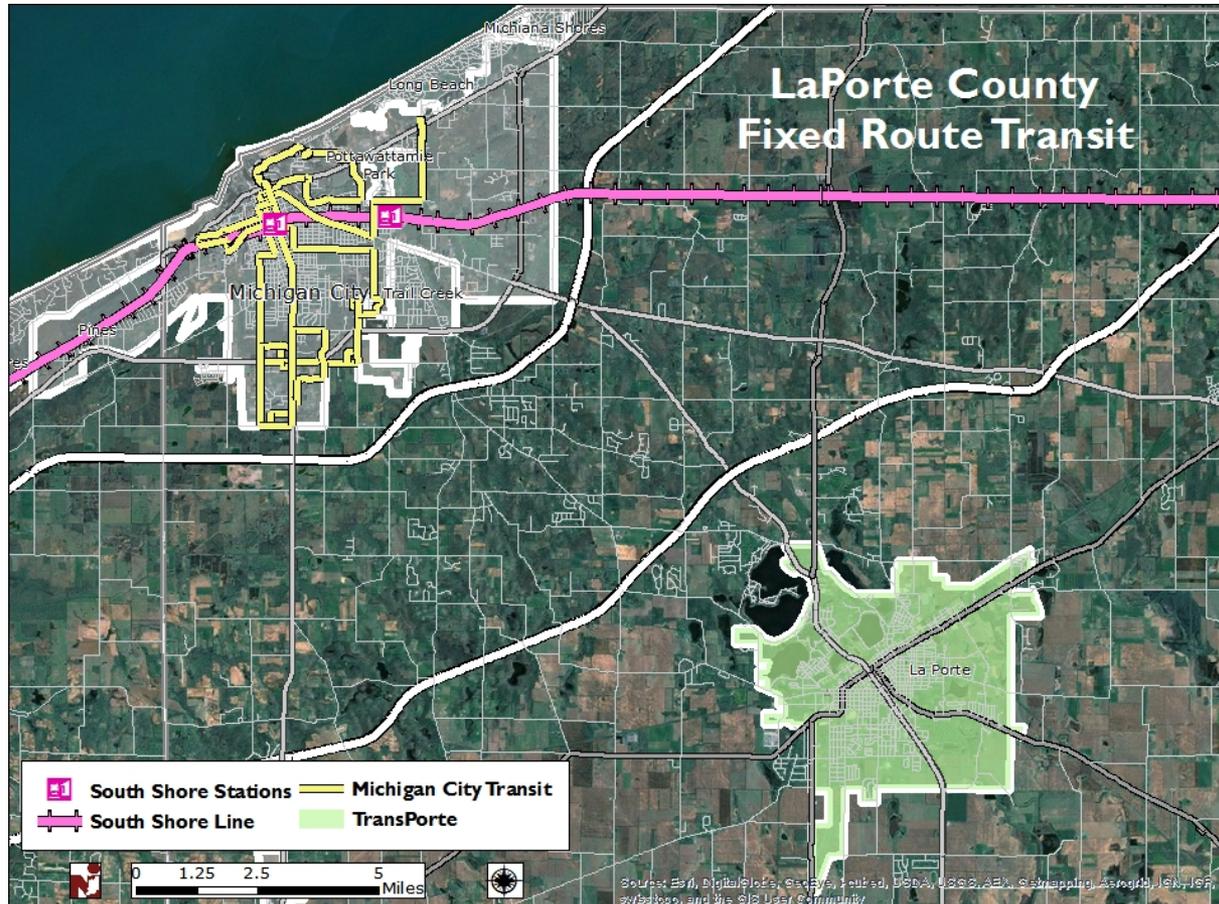


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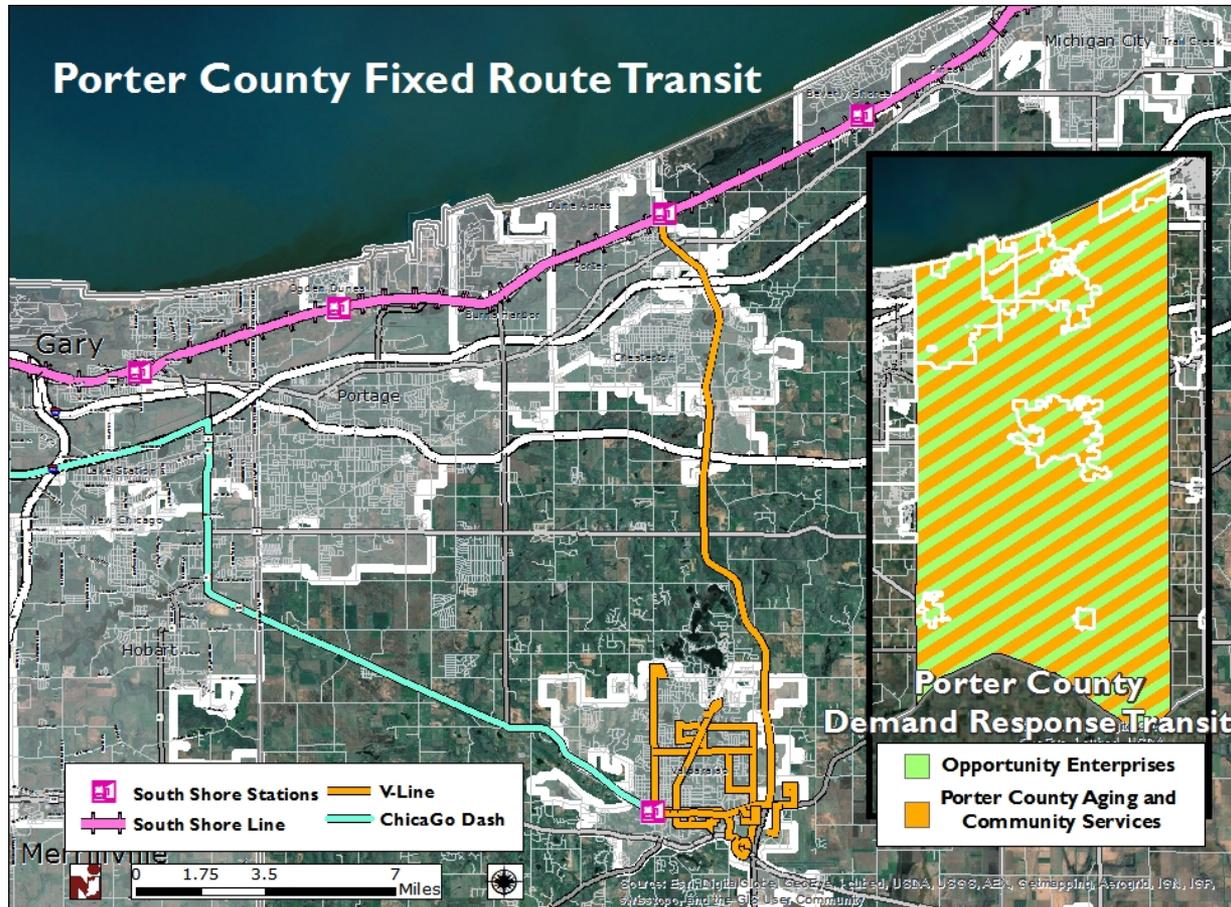
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
• Michigan City	126,761	141,546
• TransPorte	38,828	39,384
<u>2012 Total Bus, Demand Response</u>		<u>NICTD</u>
1,340,481		3,668,098
<u>2013 Total Bus, Demand Response</u>		<u>NICTD</u>
1,442,632		3,606,926



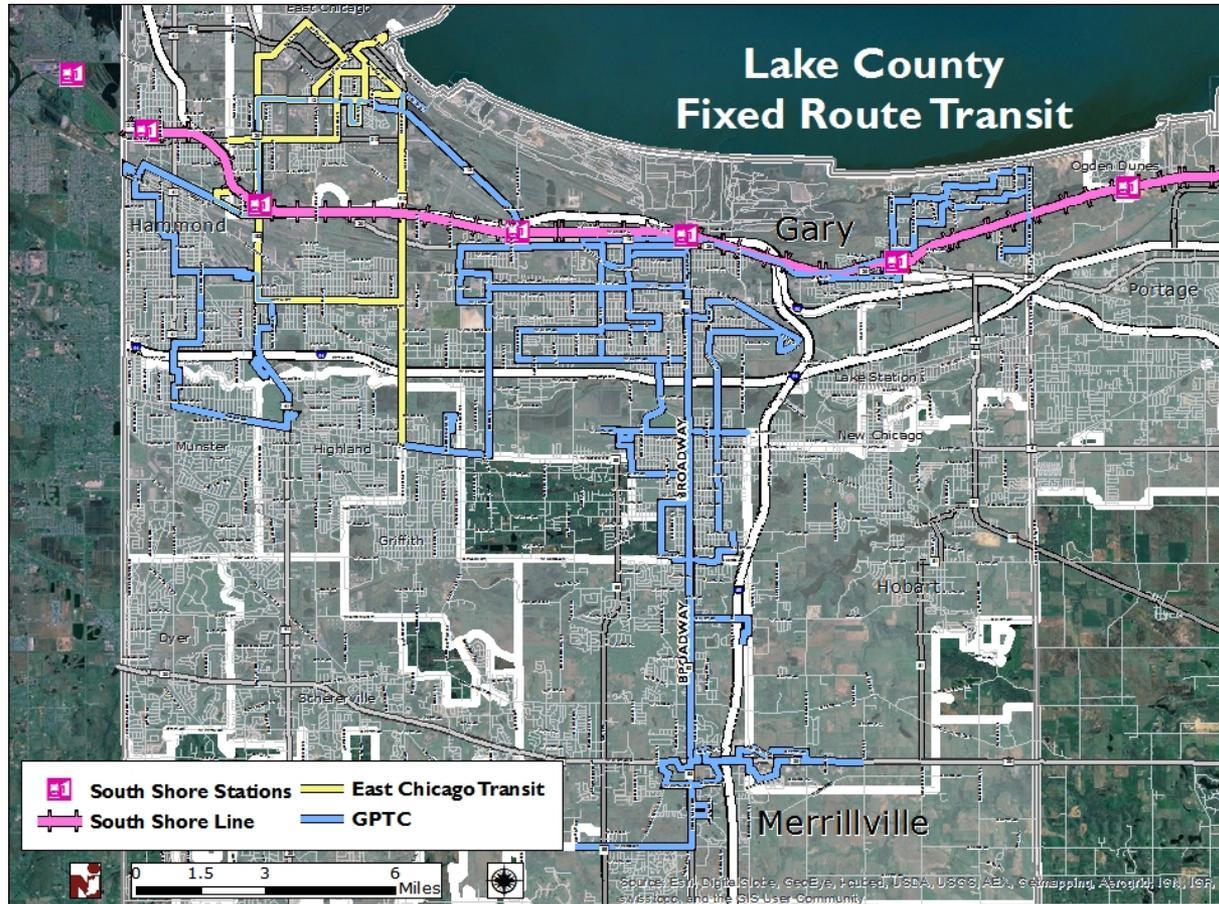
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