



SFMTA

# Transit Performance Update

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# Agenda

1. 90 Day Action Plan Progress
2. Subway Performance Update
3. Bus Network Highlights

# 90 Day Plan Initiatives



## Rapid Network

Maintain positive trend gap in management on Rapid network

3 Actions



## Subway Performance

Reduce major delays in the subway and enhance the customer experience during delays

11 Actions



## Missed Service

Increase service delivery, better distribute open runs across the system, and ensure scheduled service equity strategy lines are prioritized

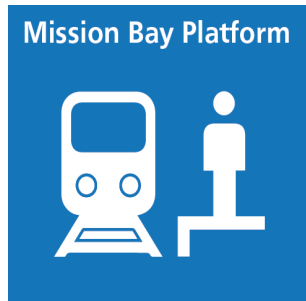
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## Staff Engagement/Morale

Improve responsiveness and feedback loop when staff raises issues, ideas, and concerns

5 Actions



## Mission Bay Platform

Manage construction proactively, deliver quality supplemental bus service on Third St., and minimize system impacts

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## Customer information

Enhance the quality, accuracy, and availability of service information to our customers

5 Actions



## Safety

Reduce preventable collisions and enhance passenger and operator security onboard and accessing transit stops

8 Actions

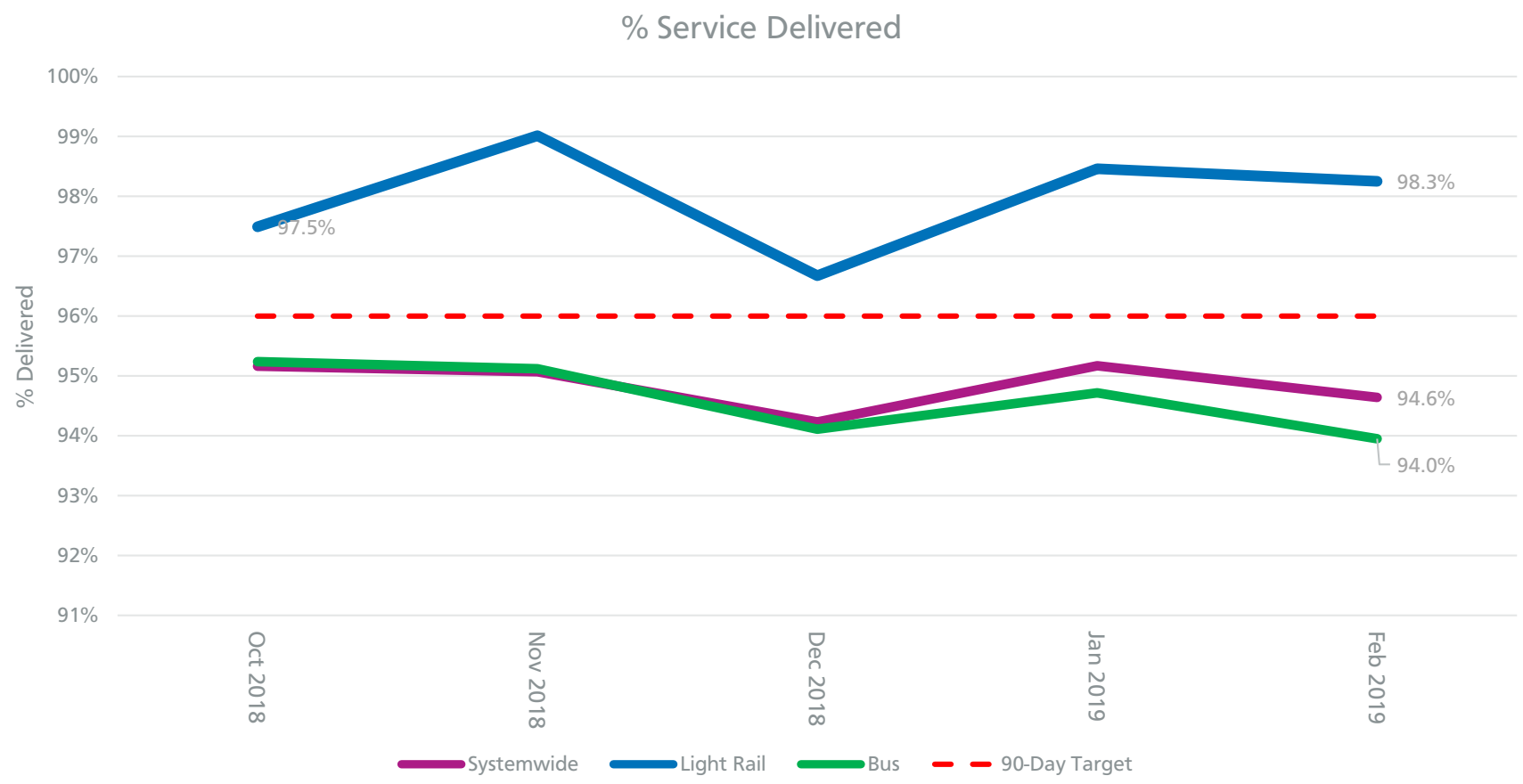
# Current 90-Day Action Plan Targets

Action	Target	February
Reduce preventable collisions	68/month or less	47*
Reduce peak direction subway delay minutes	10% reduction	-13%
Increase service delivery	96% or above	95%
Reduce gaps on Rapid bus lines	12% or below	12%
Reduce gaps on Muni Metro rail lines	20% or below	20%
Improve On-time Performance on low frequency routes	63% or above	58%

\* There are 19 collisions in February still awaiting review, but we do not anticipate they will all be categorized as preventable.

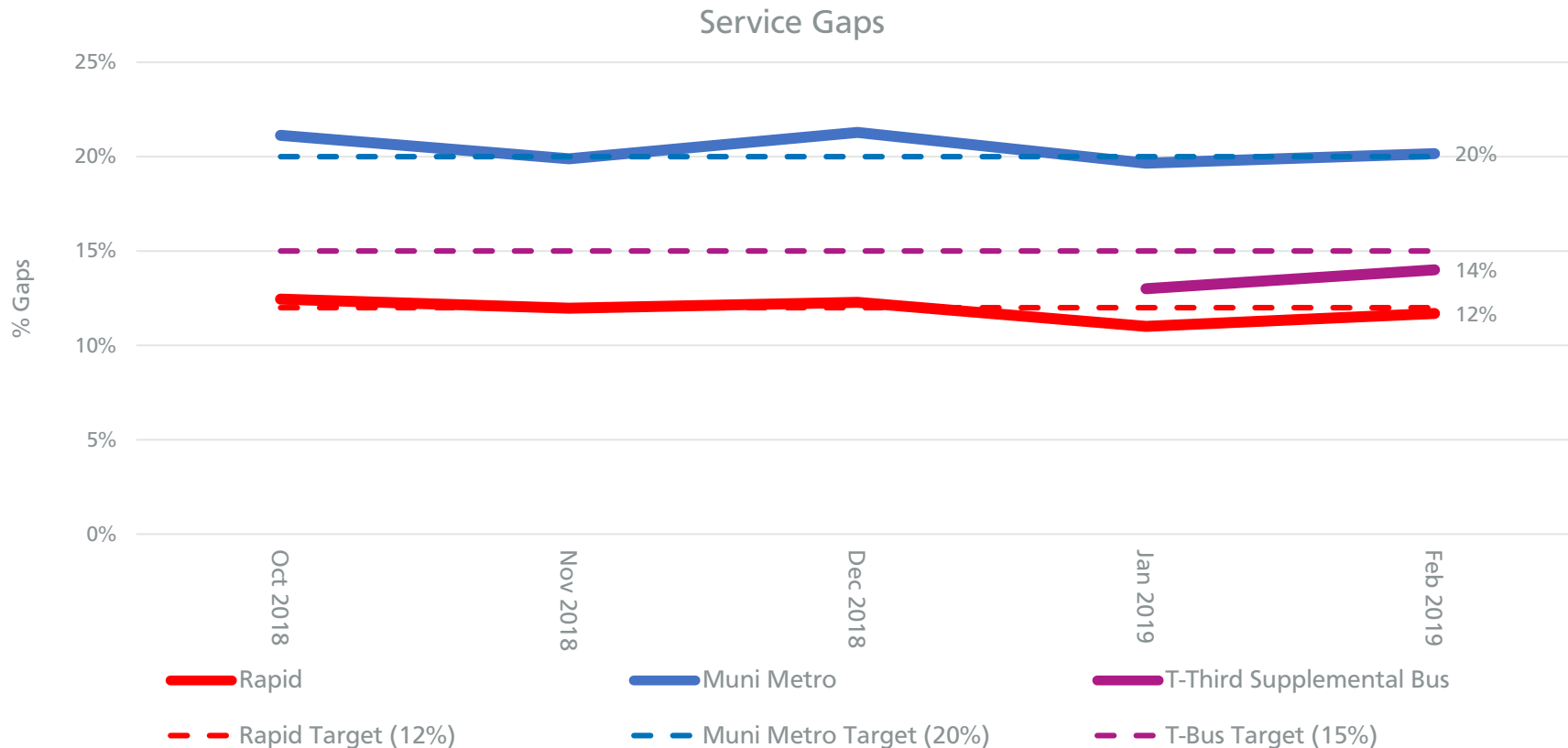


# Service Delivery – 96% or more goal



Update: Rail service met the target last month while motor and trolley coach fell short of the goal. Service delivery should improve in March as the sign-up attracts operators back to work from long term leave and a new class of operators graduates late March.

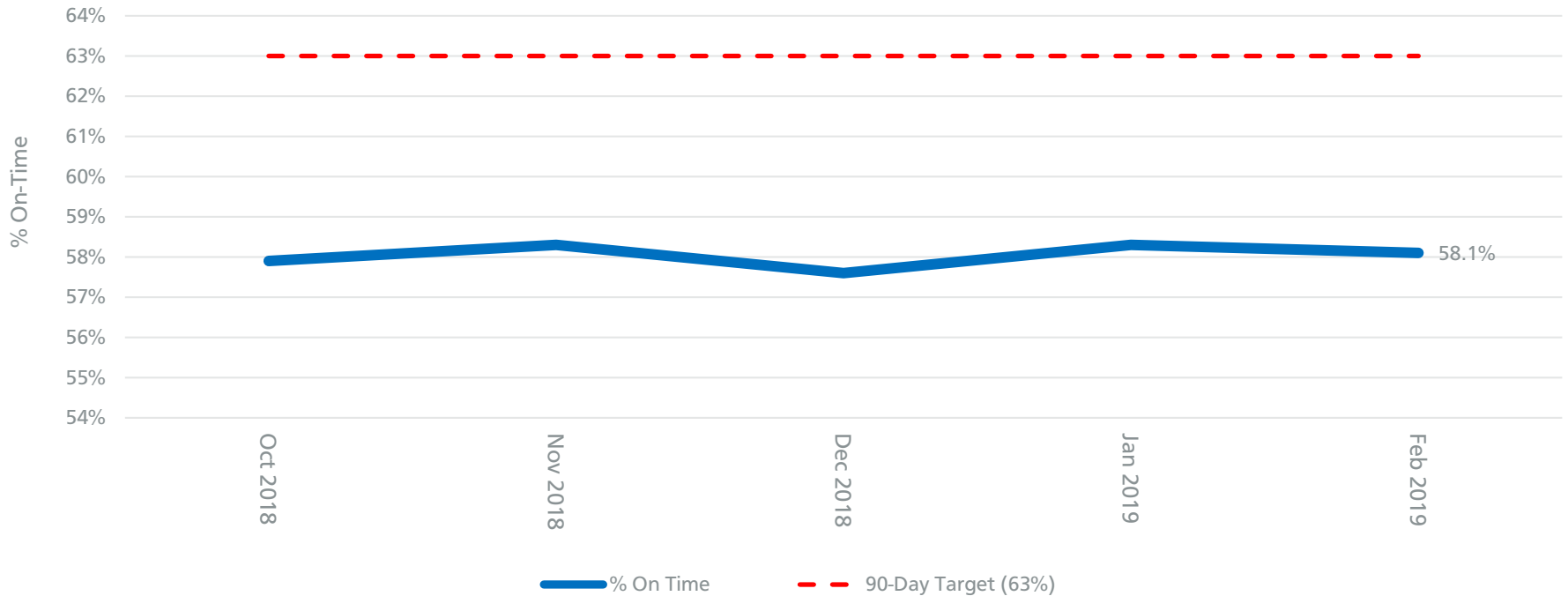
# Service Gaps - goal varies by mode



Update: All three categories met the gap target in February, although Muni Metro has fluctuated above and below the target percentage throughout the month.

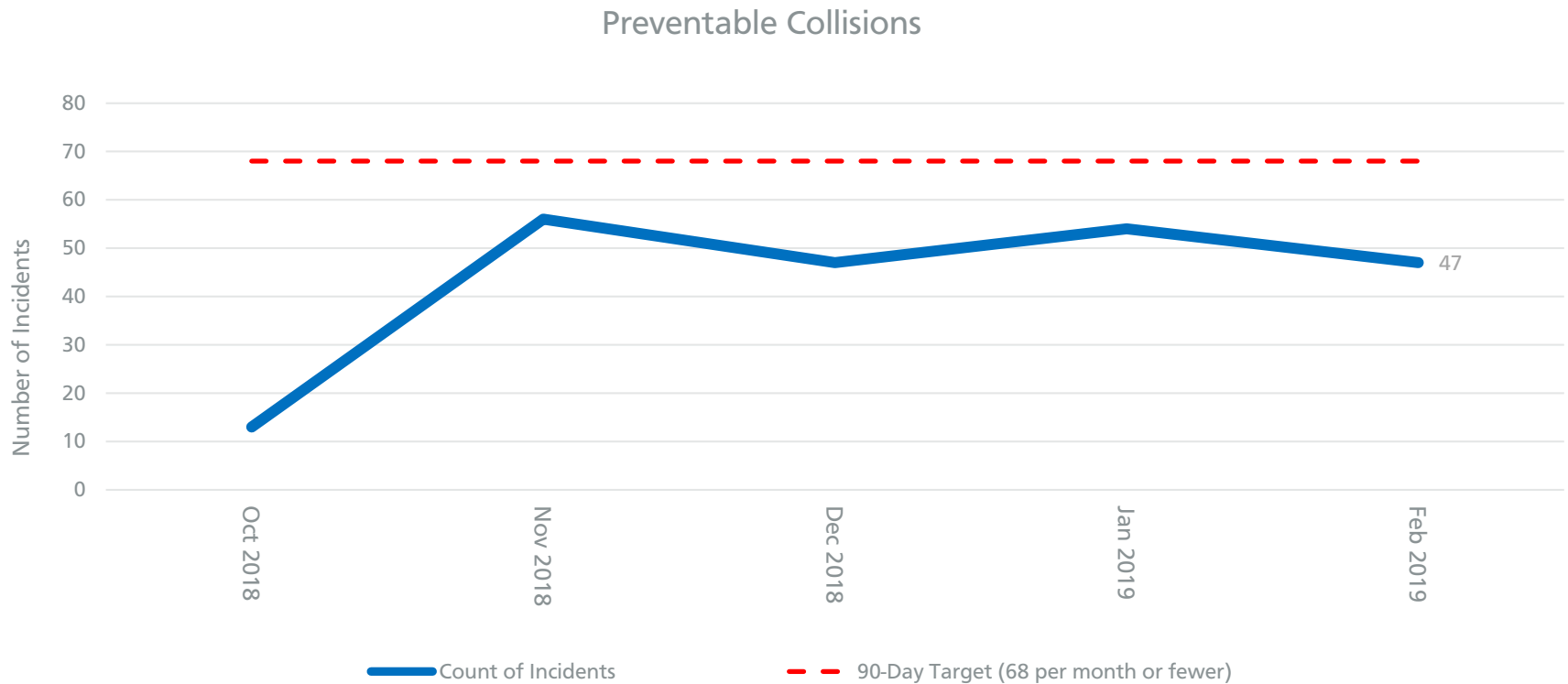
# Bus (20-30 min routes) – 63% OTP goal

On-Time Performance: Low Frequency Bus Routes (20+ Min)



Update: OTP on low frequency routes fell short of the 63% OTP target. By route however, five routes surpassed the goal. We will continue monitoring low performers and adjusting service accordingly.

# 90-Day Action Plan Metrics

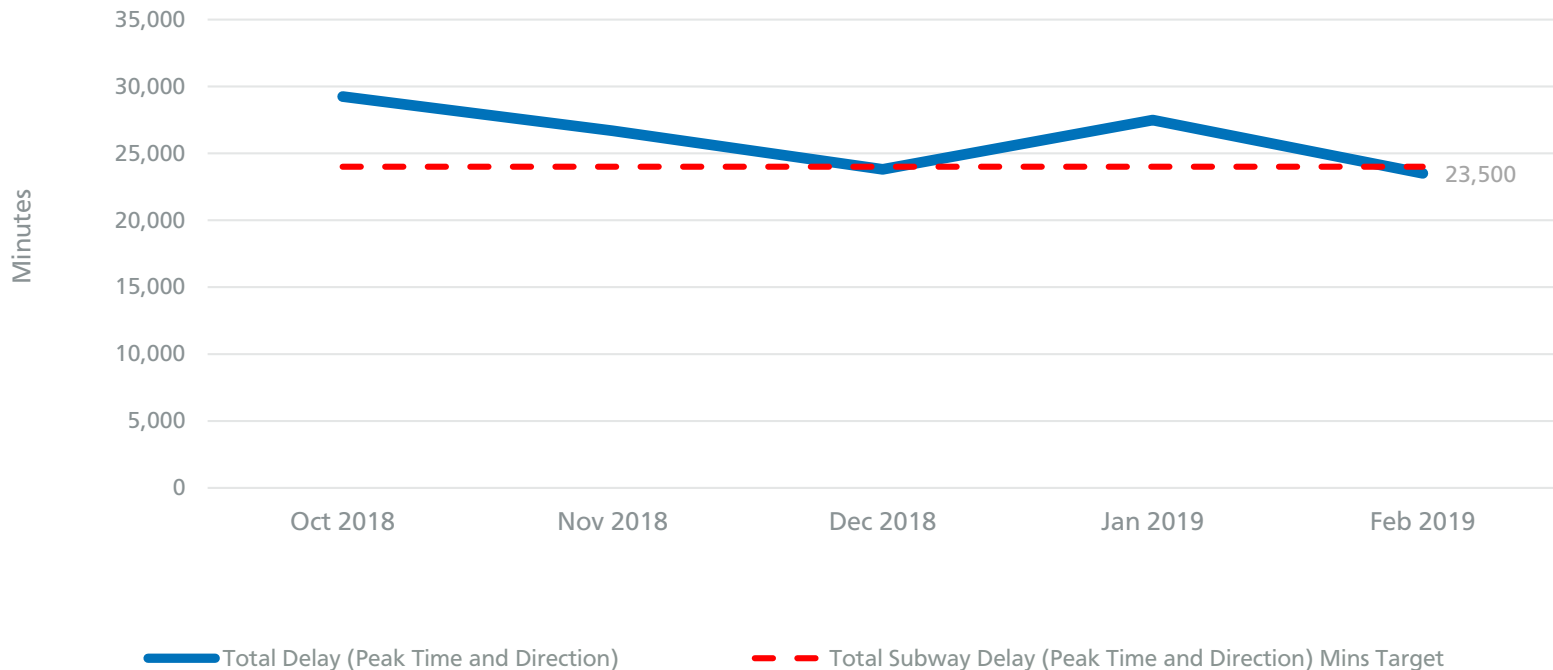


Update: Preventable collisions continue to meet the monthly target. There are 19 collisions in February still awaiting review, but we do not anticipate they will all be categorized as preventable.



# 90-Day Action Plan Metrics

Total Weekday Peak Time and Direction Subway Delay Minutes  
(by month)



Update: The total delay in the morning and evening commute periods in the peak direction was 28,000 minutes in January and 23,500 in February. Weekday peak period delay is trending downward and meeting the 10% reduction goal.



# Subway Monthly Performance

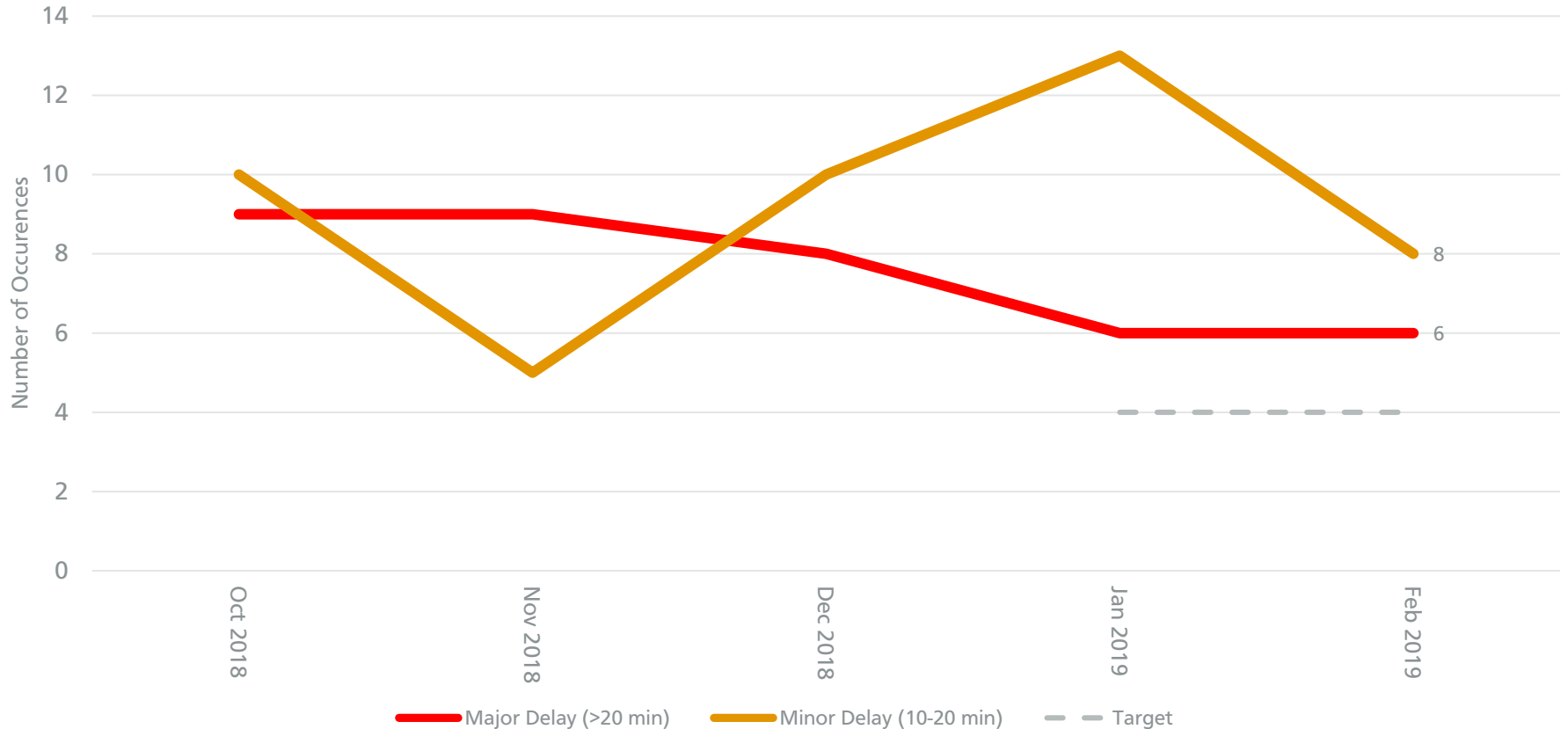


# Current Subway Metrics

Metric	Target	February
<b>Subway Delay:</b> Sum of all delay for all trains traveling in subway. Captures time between stations and at platforms (when train is stopped for more than 30 sec)	10% reduction in peak period minutes of delay	-13%
<b>Major Delays:</b> Total number of delays that last more than 20 minutes	4 or fewer 20+ minute delays each month	6
<b>Subway Travel Time and Travel Time Variability:</b> End to end subway travel time, peak period, peak direction	Reduce variability by 5%	Varies by time period: AM variability increased PM variability decreased
<b>Embarcadero Turnaround Times:</b> Captures the time and variability associated with turning trains at Embarcadero Station	5 min or less average turnaround time for near and far pocket	5.3

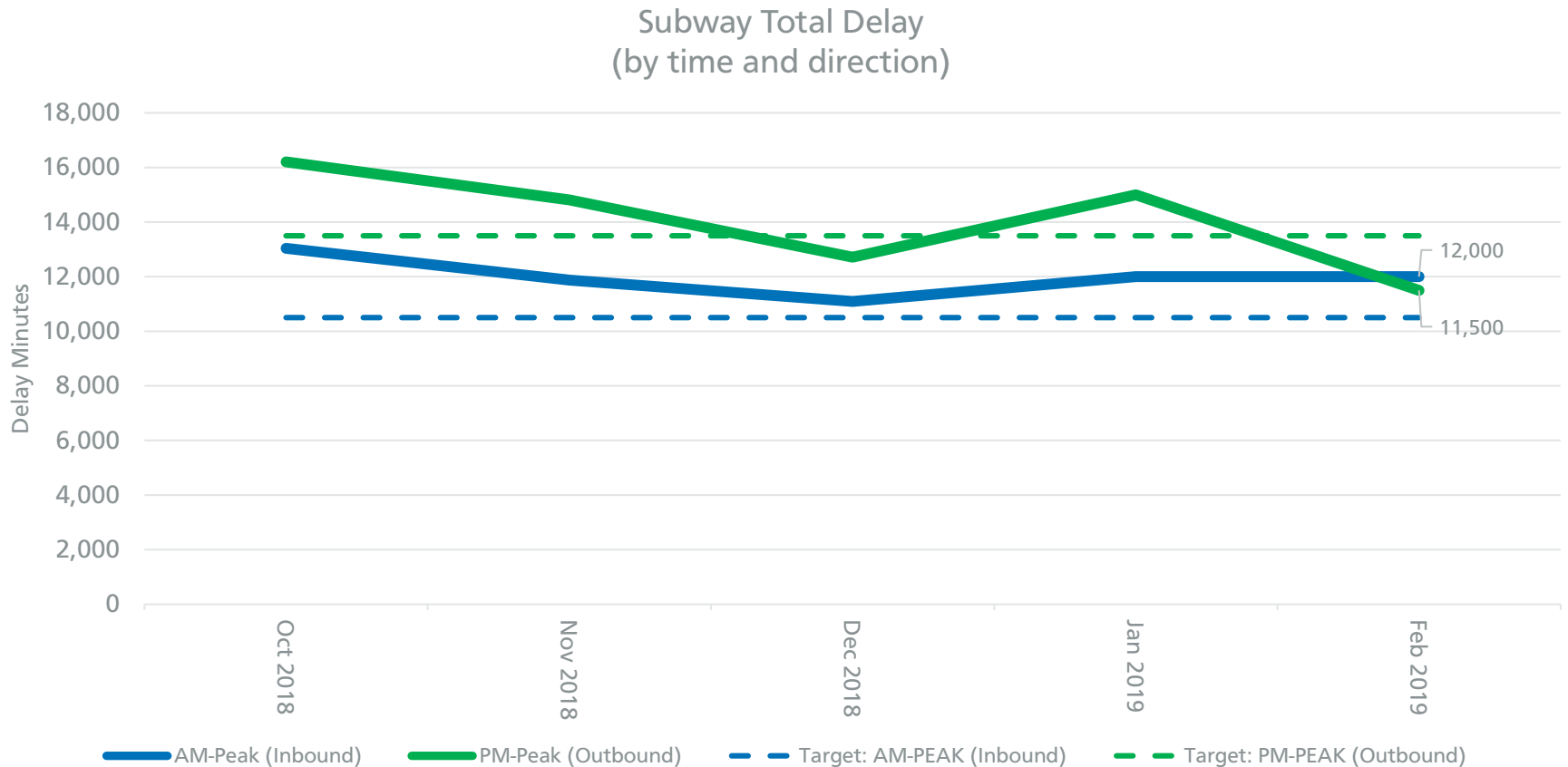
# Subway Metrics – Incident Delay

Significant Subway Delays



Update: Target not met in February, but Minor delays are trending down while Major delays remained flat.

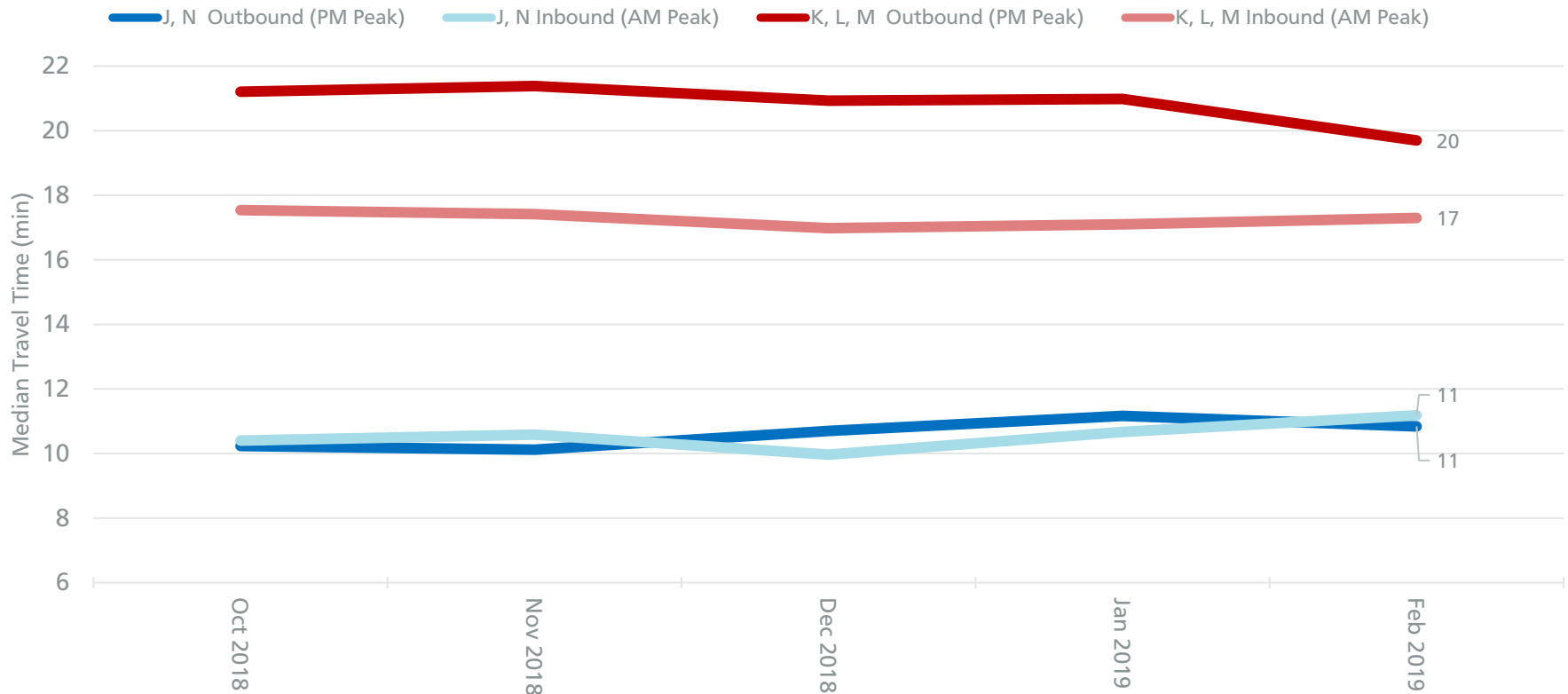
# Subway Metrics – Total Delay



Update: Target met during the PM Peak Outbound commute period (down 23%) while delay observed in the AM Inbound rush-hour remained flat.

# Subway Metrics – Travel Time

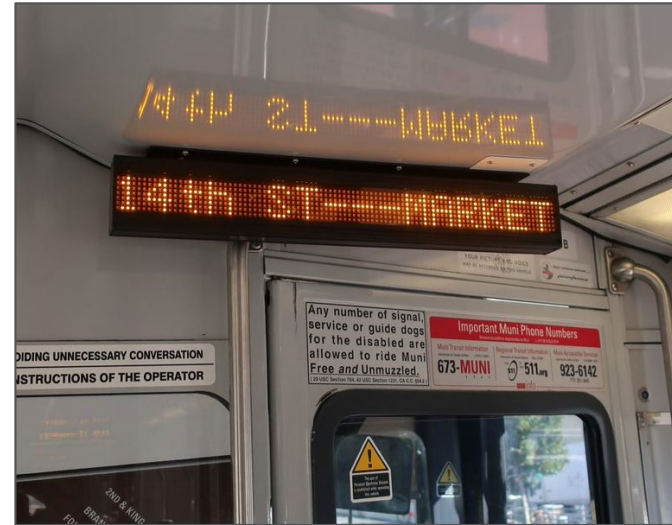
Subway Travel Time



Update: Outbound travel time on the KLM is one minute quicker in the PM peak. No change for J/N trains. Travel time variability for the KLM in the PM-Peak outbound direction decreased significantly, but AM variability increased for all routes.

# Highlight: New Radio Launches on LRVs

- New Harris radios launched on LRVs
- New electronic stop announcements on trains
- All Subway responders including Metro Rail Units (MRU) and Transit Supervisors using new Harris radios
- On track to move rail functions to Transit Management Center (TMC) by late March



# Major Subway Delays (Feb 19-Mar 11)

- No delays Feb 15-27
- Automatic Train Control failure (Feb 28)
- Major vehicle delay at Embarcadero (Mar 1)
- Switch lock at West Portal due to operator failure to comply with rail signal (Mar 2)
- LRV4 pantograph failure (Mar 8)





# Muni Bus Network



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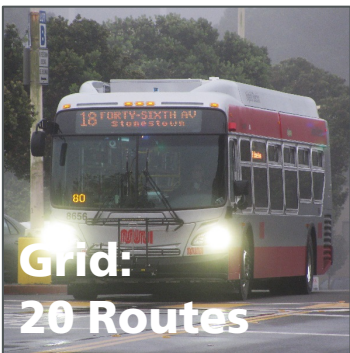
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UNION STREET



# Muni Bus Network



- 72 bus routes
- 510k daily riders
- 72% of all trips
- 12 owl routes – 24 hour coverage
- Greenest fleet of any major North American city



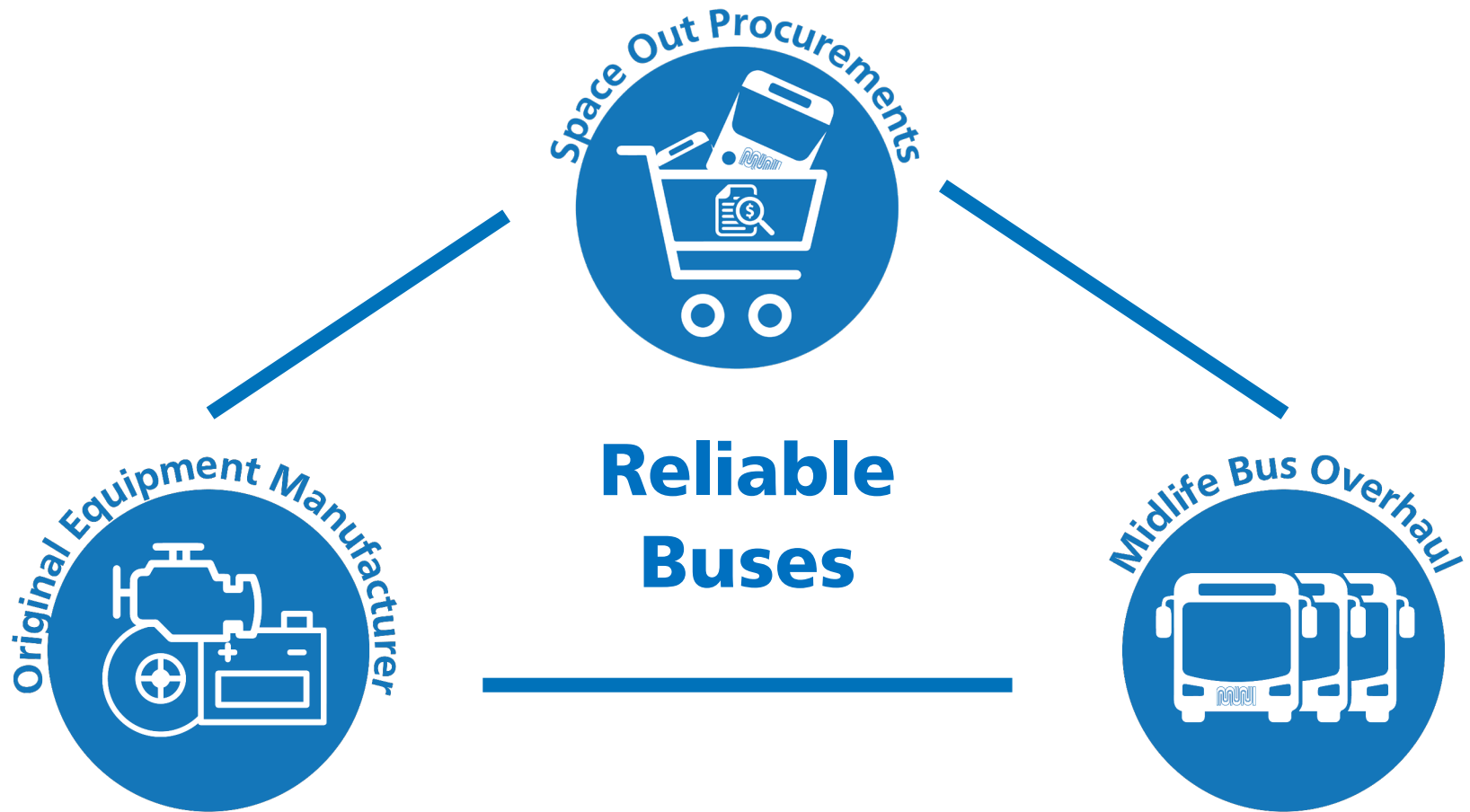
# New Bus Fleet

We've overhauled the motor and trolley coach fleet!

The rubber tire fleet is the greenest in North America. Last 40ft hybrid to be delivered in April 2019

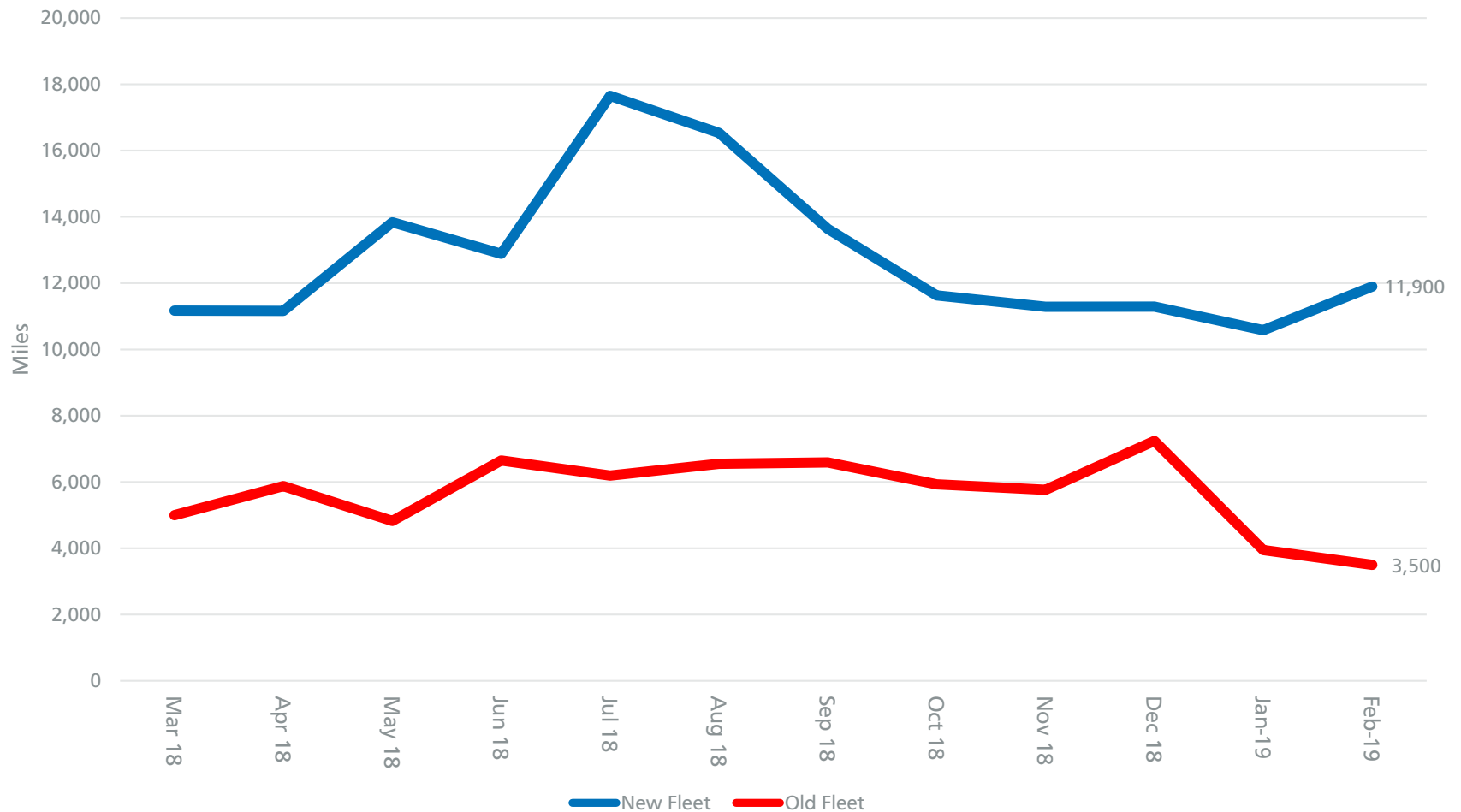


# Fleet Program Overview

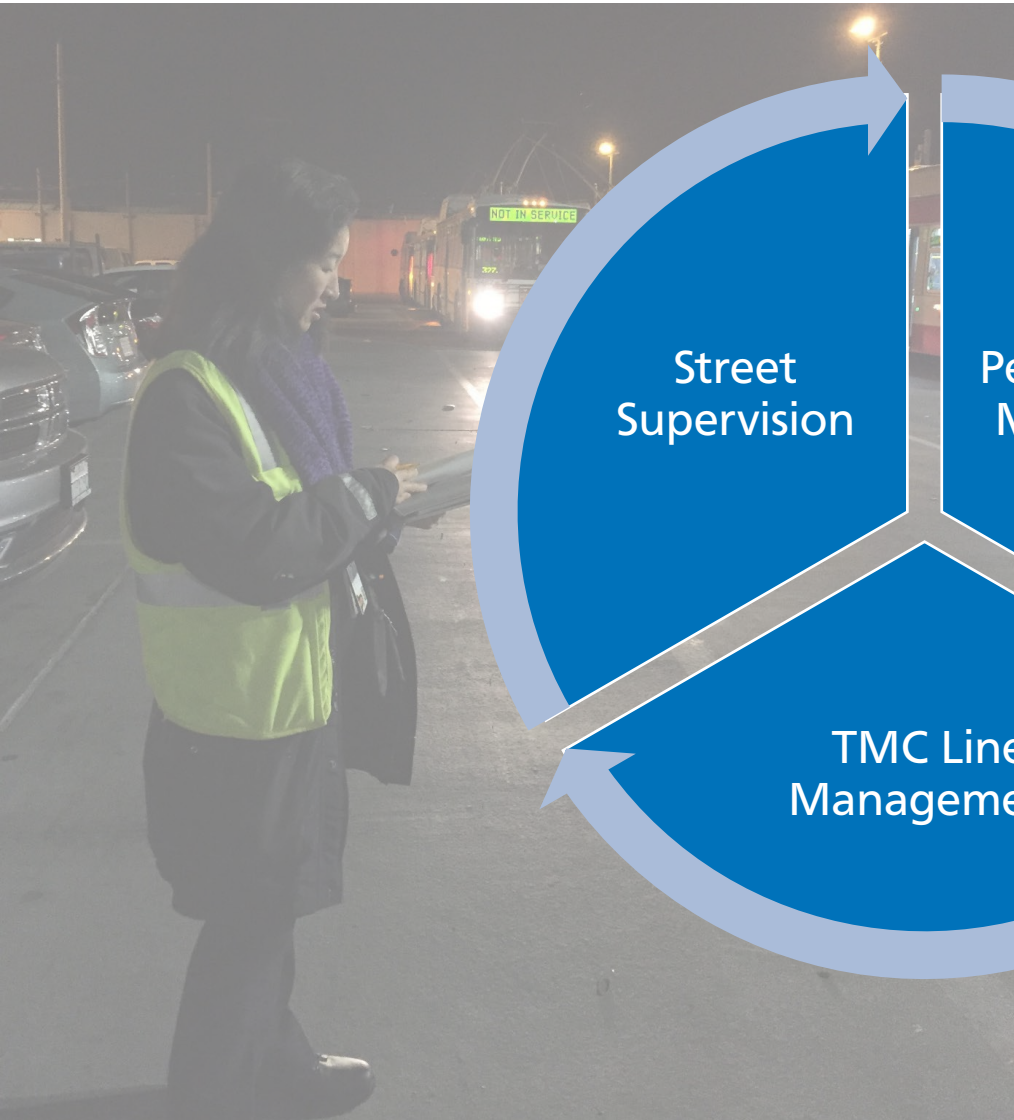
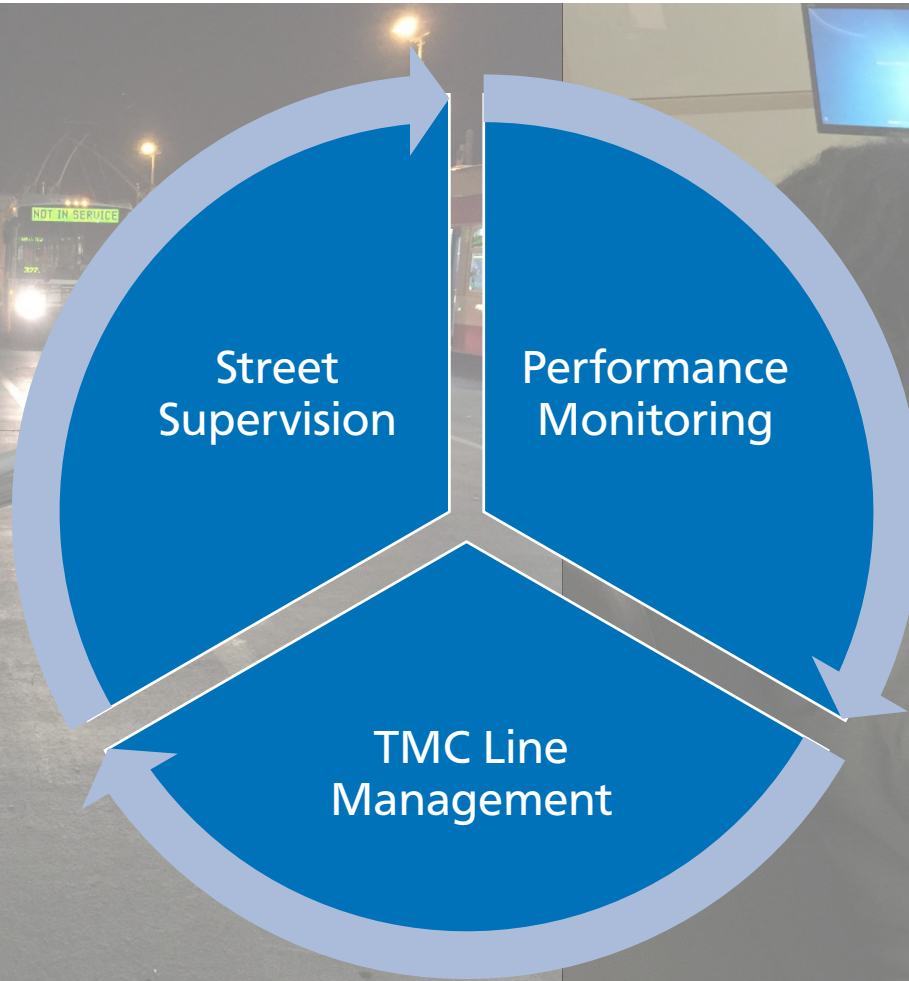


# Bus Fleet Performance

Mean Distance Between Failure

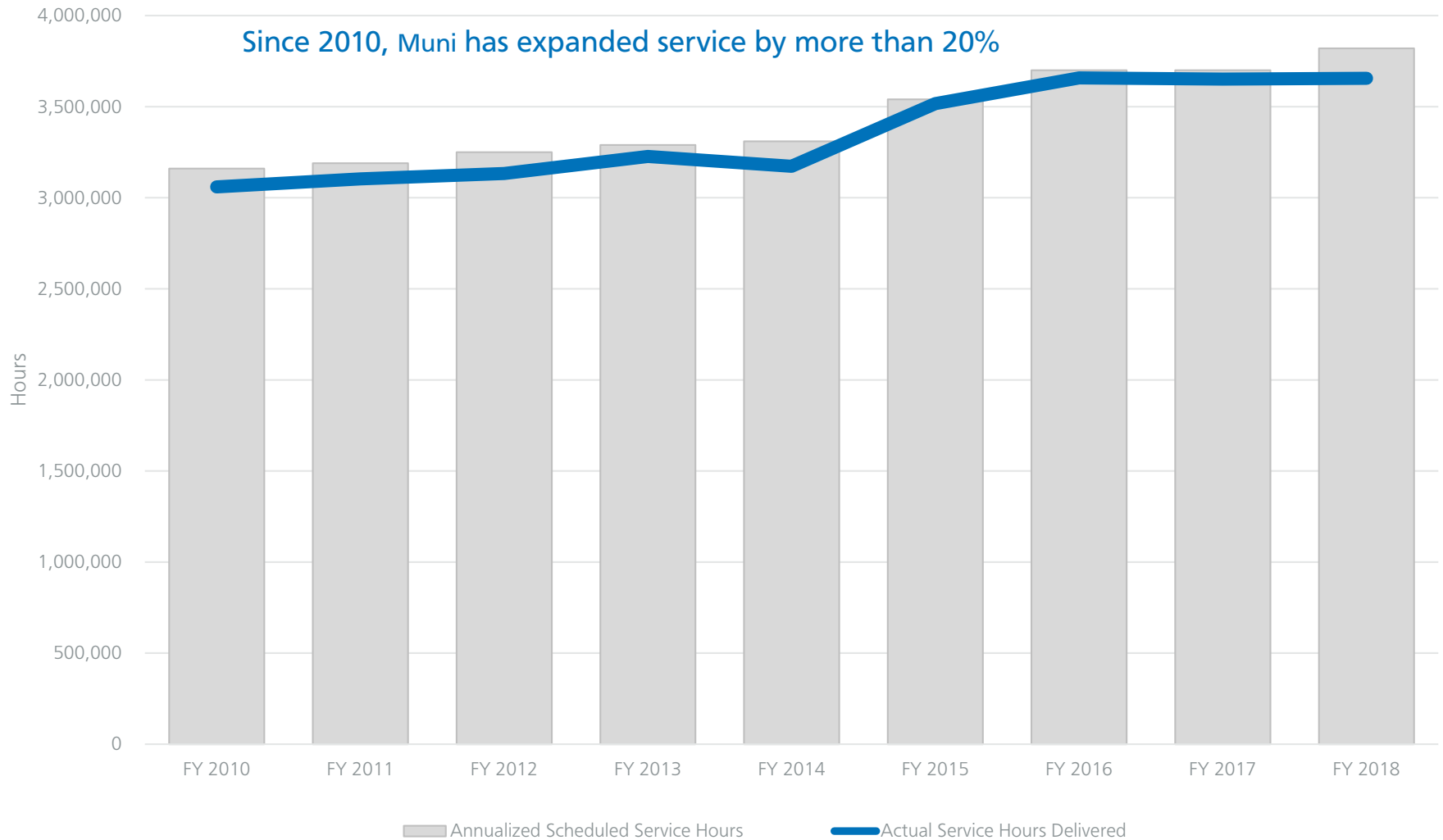


# Service Management Improvements



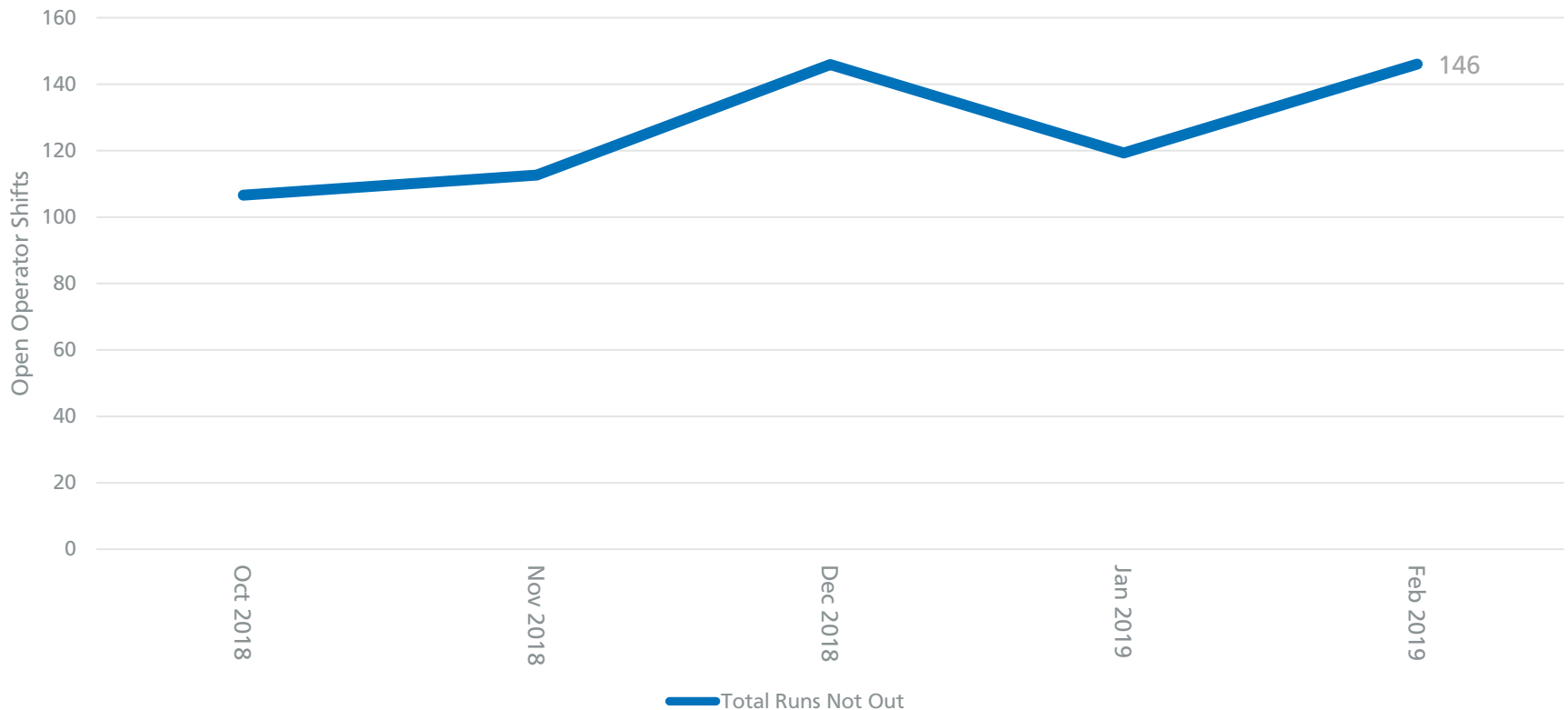
# More Transit Service

Scheduled vs Actual Service Delivered



# Hurdles: Operator Shortage

Weekday Daily Average of Missing Operator Shifts





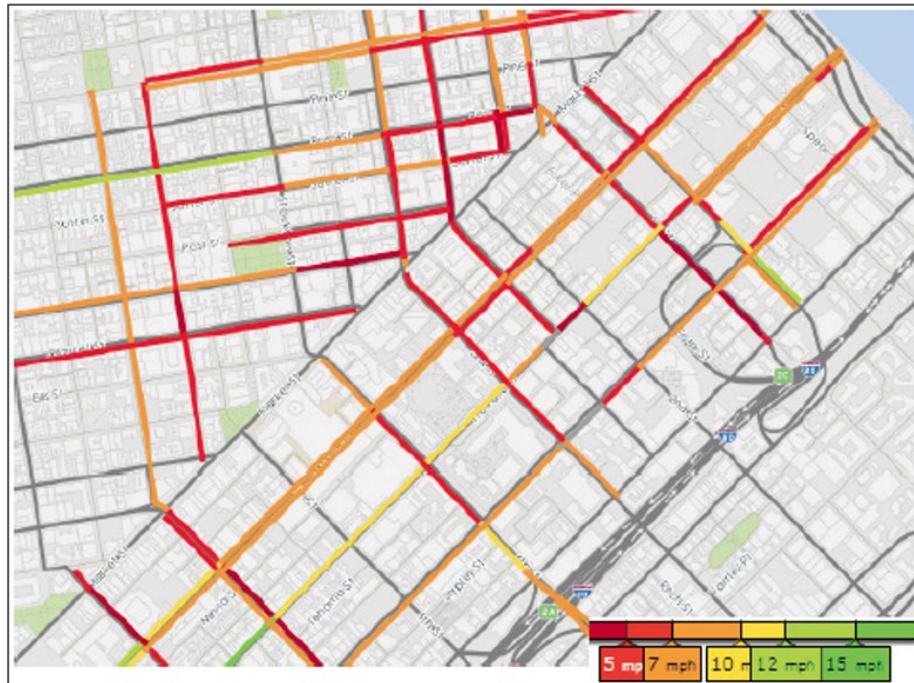
# Operator Hiring Next Steps

- Started large class of new Operators Monday, March 18
- Connecting eligible candidates with CityDrive program for Class B permits
- Generating a new Operator lists every two months
- Shifting to continuous Operator exam



# Hurdles: Congestion

Although overall transit speeds have been more stable than private autos, congestion degrades reliability and leads to service gaps and unpredictable trip times.

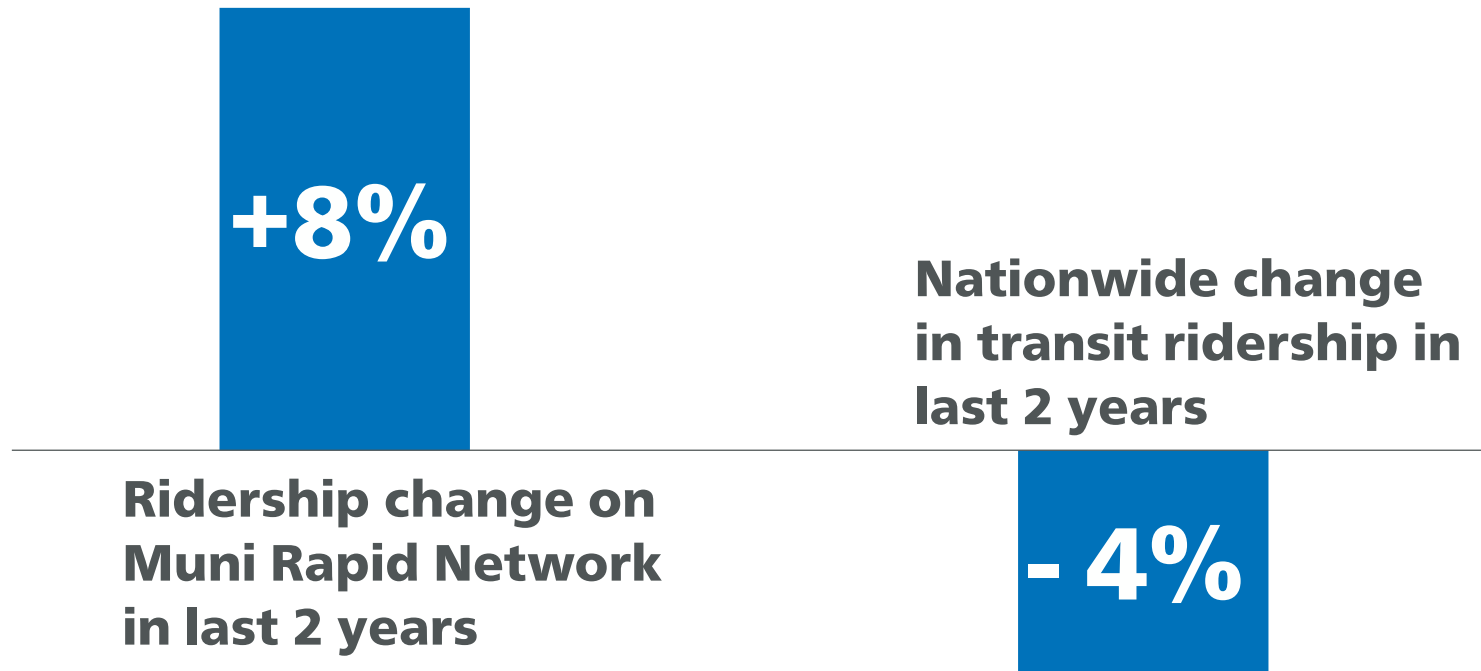


# Muni Forward Transit Priority Projects target the Rapid Network





# And it's working!



# Next Steps for Bus Network

- Build on successes
  - More Muni Forward projects
  - Continued fleet replacement
  - Increased use of gap management tools for improved service management
- Continue tackling tough problems
  - Increase Operator hiring
  - Work towards Citywide mode share goals