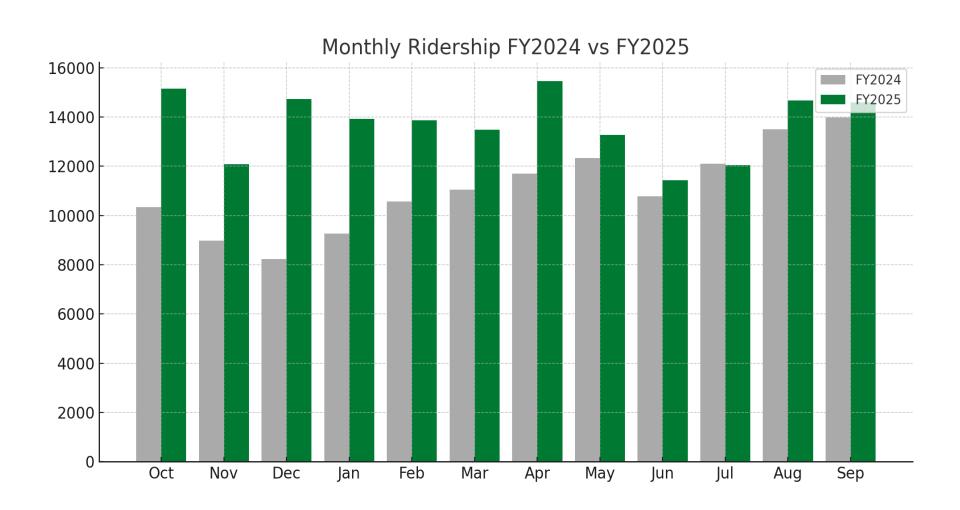
South Central Regional Transit District:
"Ridership Growth, Operational Milestones
& Strategic Priorities"

October 22, 2025 Board Report — Ridership Trends FY2017–FY2025

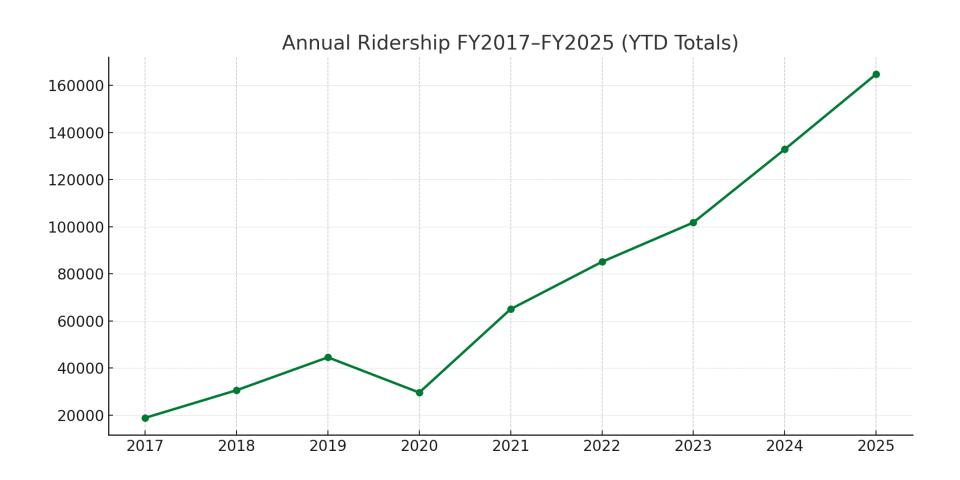
Record Ridership Growth FY2025

- FY2025 YTD Ridership: 164,722 trips
- FY2024 YTD Ridership: 132,818 trips
- Year-over-Year Growth: +24%
- Highest annual ridership in SCRTD history
- 774% Growth Since FY2017

Monthly Ridership Trends



Long-Term Ridership Growth: "Eight years of sustained growth, supported by strategic investments and service expansion."



Monthly Ridership Comparison Table

Month	FY2024	FY2025	% Change
Oct	10345	15153	46.5%
Nov	8983	12075	34.4%
Dec	8237	14733	78.9%
Jan	9257	13927	50.4%
Feb	10558	13870	31.4%
Mar	11054	13487	22.0%
Apr	11700	15455	32.1%
May	12336	13270	7.6%
Jun	10786	11433	6.0%
Jul	12101	12046	-0.5%
Aug	13491	14675	8.8%
Sep	13970	14598	4.5%

Key Growth Drivers: "What's Driving Growth and Why It Matters"



FARE-FREE SERVICE — SUSTAINED POST-PANDEMIC GROWTH



SERVICE EXPANSION — ADDED WEEKEND AND PEAK-HOUR SERVICE



FLEET MODERNIZATION —
FIVE GILLIG BEBS PLUS
ARBOC VEHICLES



REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY
— STRONGER LINKS TO
SUN METRO & LAS CRUCES



COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROMOTIONS — E.G., HATCH CHILE FESTIVAL SERVICE

Strategic Implications



POSITIONS SCRTD FOR FTA 5307 URBAN FUNDING AS A DESIGNATED RECIPIENT



SUPPORTS CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN FLEET PROCUREMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE



(SOLAR MICROGRID, VENUS SITE NEPA, MOBILITY HUB)



STRENGTHENS SCRTD'S ROLE WITHIN THE EL PASO & MESILLA VALLEY MPO REGIONS



INFORMS TEN-YEAR SERVICE & FINANCIAL PLAN UPDATES

Key Operational Highlights – FY2025



**Fleet
Expansion:**
Deployment of 5 Gillig
Battery-Electric Buses
and 2 Arboc vehicles.



Infrastructure:
Progress on Sunland
Park Mobility & Energy
Hub, including microgrid
and solar array
development.



**Service
Enhancements:**
Increased weekend and
peak service on key
corridors (e.g., Yellow,
Turquoise, Blue).



**Technology
Upgrades:** Ongoing
rollout of new APC and
GPS systems for
improved data tracking.



**Regional
Connectivity:**
Strengthened
connections to Sun
Metro and Las Cruces
through expanded
routes.



**Community
Engagement:** Special
services such as Hatch
Chile Festival Shuttle
boosted visibility and
ridership.



**Funding &
Grants:** Secured over
\$4.8M in federal grants
(El Paso MPO + NMDOT)
for fleet and
infrastructure projects.

Next Steps

