SEPTA's Budget Neutral Approach to Sustainability



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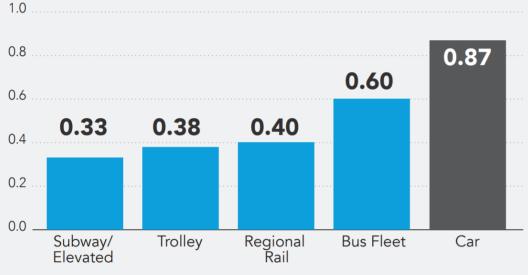
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## **SEPTA's Value Proposition**

#### **Transit Is Inherently Sustainable**



#### LOWER PER PASSENGER MILE GHG EMISSIONS





# **SEPTA's Sustainability Program**



#### Award-Winning SEP-TAINABLE





Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence

**COMMONWEALTH AWARD** 



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LEADING THE WAY ON SMART GROWTH



# **SEPTA's Sustainability Program**



#### Triple Bottom Line Approach



**"BUDGET NEUTRAL" APPROACH** (I.E., NO SET BUDGET FOR SUSTAINBILITY)

- Off-Budget Financing (Power Purchase Agreements, Energy Performance Contracts, Public-Private Partnerships)
- Grant Funding (FTA LoNo, CMAQ/DERA, PEDA)
- Core Business (Embedding Sustainability into Capital + Operations)

# **Energy Action Plan**



### **Comprehensive Budget-Neutral Plan to Reduce Energy & GHG**



## WAYSIDE STORAGE (GRANTS, P3)

**The New York Times** In Philadelphia, Batteries on Transit System Power More Than Just the Trains January 22, 2016





## **BATTERY-ELECTRIC BUSES (FTA LONO GRANTS)**



## **Solar Program**



#### Power Purchase Agreements ON-SITE, ROOFTOP SOLAR (PPA)



**OFF-SITE, UTILITY SCALE SOLAR (VIRTUAL PPA)** 



# **Power Resiliency**



## SOLAR + BATTERY-POWERED SIGNAL SYSTEM (FTA GRANT)

- Partially Funded Through Federal Climate Resilience Initiative
- 48 Hours of Back-Up Power In the Event of Signal Power Failure
- Avoids Rippling 12-Minute
  Average Delay from Each Outage
- Zero Signal Power Failures Since
  Pilot Installation in 2018
- Now Under Construction: Three More Lines (Ultimate Goal: Full Regional Rail Buildout)
- Potential to Become Primary
  Power in the Future

## **Grants & Embedded in Core Operations**

