



# 10 Ways 10 Days

Invest In Minnesota's Future

## 4th Way

### Invest in Transportation

Marc Wayman's job requires him to be available at different hours of the day. He recently moved from Vadnais Heights to St. Paul to be closer to better transit.

When he was living in the northeast metro, he said, "I couldn't get anywhere without a car." When his car broke down, he got another, but it broke down too.

Marc tried to depend on the bus to get to work, but it was a three-mile walk from his house to the bus stop, and service is limited to six buses a day — three in the morning and three in the afternoon. "It was a cut-off situation: unless I could make those times, I couldn't get to work," Marc said.

Marc is grateful he can now connect to transit options that allow for more flexibility and cost savings, but he recognizes that not everyone has that opportunity.

"Now I'm spending significantly less on transportation monthly," he said. "I have many more bus options and it will be even better when light rail comes. I can get to my job, but for many people that's still a challenge."

Currently, only 25 percent of residents and 30 percent of jobs are within range of convenient transit — meaning service that runs at least every 30 minutes. "We need to get going," Marc said.

Suburban and express bus services are some of the fastest growing in terms of ridership. But, fair and adequate revenues are needed to add more buses and expand coverage to help more Minnesotans get to their jobs or wherever they need to go.

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**All Minnesotans benefit when we invest in our communities.**

With fair and adequate revenues, we can invest in transit, maintain our roads and bridges, invest in our schools and colleges, and provide care and dignity to our senior citizens and people with disabilities.

**After a decade of deep budget cuts, it's time to raise revenues fairly in order to move our state forward and invest in prosperity for all Minnesotans.**

Invest in Minnesota is a coalition of faith, labor and nonprofit organizations united to support revenue raised fairly to invest in Minnesota's future.

