

**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
MANDATORY FEES REQUESTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017**

**Mandatory Fee:** Transportation

**Current Fee Level FY16:** \$81 Fall/Spring-\$54 Summer

**Proposed Fee Level FY17:** **\$86 Fall/Spring-\$54 Summer** (2/3's of \$81 fee for summer FY17)

**FY 2015 Revenue:** \$3,555,607 Transportation Fee Revenue

\$4,637,644 Total Revenue

**Fee Review Organization:** Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee

**Current Uses of Revenue:**

Fee revenue and other income from transportation operations are used for the day-to-day operation of the Tech Trolley, the Stinger bus and Stingerette services. The Stinger and Trolley offer multiple routes with 16 buses and 8 trolleys to transport people to various locations on campus, including Technology Square, NARA/TEP, Midtown MARTA and Georgia Tech facilities along 14<sup>th</sup> Street.

Stinger service provides 10 continuously running buses operating Monday through Friday from 6:43 a.m. until 10:07 p.m.; and 2 Green Route buses operating 3 hours during a.m. and p.m. peak periods. It also provides shuttle service from main campus to the NARA/TEP complex Monday through Friday from 7:20 a.m. – 6:20 p.m. Shuttle service to Publix-Atlantic Station is provided from 10:10 a.m. to 5:45 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays.

The Stingerette Van Escort Service provides after-hours call-in campus transportation for students, operating daily from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. Disability transport service is available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Tech Trolley provides 6 continuously running trolleys operating Monday through Friday from 5:45 a.m. until 10:14 p.m., from 10:00 a.m. to 6:38 p.m. on Saturdays; and from 3:00 p.m. to 9:50 p.m. on Sundays, providing service between the Trolley HUB (adjacent to the Student Center) and the Midtown MARTA Station. The Tech Trolley also provides daily service to the Midtown Publix after 5:00 p.m. The Midnight Rambler provides nighttime transit service seven days a week from 8:54 p.m. to 3:21 a.m., connecting west to east campus. The Rambler provides two trolleys on the route and includes convenient stops at the Clough Undergraduate Learning Center and the North Avenue Dining Hall. The Midnight Rambler is in service during fall and spring semesters only.

Fees are also used for capital expenses such as vehicle replacement, communication equipment, digital signage and transit shelters.

Transportation receives two major sources of revenue which include Student Fees and Institute Allocation dollars. This revenue represents approximately 91% of the department's total revenue.

Stinger and Trolley services are currently provided through a contract with a private vendor - Groome Transportation, and Stingerette services are staffed by Parking and Transportation employees.

The current annual service hours are approximately 21,100 for the Trolley and Midnight Rambler, 29,850 for the Stinger service and 18,300 hours for the Stingerette.

***Explanation of Fiscal 2017 Fee Request:***

Transportation Services is submitting a request for a \$5 fee increase for the Fall and Spring semesters of Fiscal Year 2017. The requested fee increase for FY17, will allow the department to meet its contractual obligations and to improve the level of service for the safety and security of students. The proposed improvements will include the addition of Stingerette driver for nighttime operations, as well as adding a new limited route between Tech Square and campus to relieve overcrowding on the Trolley service.

***Consequences If Request is Not Approved:***

If these monies are not approved, revenue generated will not be adequate to cover projected expenditures, and the department will need to consider a reduction in Stinger, Trolley and/or nighttime service, or to further use its reserves to maintain current service levels. A reduction in service this will have an impact on student safety – particularly with regard to the nighttime transit operations.