

AVON - In the pursuit of sustainable and inclusive transit solutions, **Avon's transit organization** has emerged as a beacon of progress. With a focus on green initiatives, accessibility, and community engagement, Avon's Mobility is reshaping the way residents and visitors experience public transportation in the region. The Town of Avon currently encompasses approximately 8¼ square miles. The 2020 Census reported a population of 6,072. This figure represents the permanent resident population. The total population increases significantly during the winter tourist ski season.

INNOVATIONS AND INITIATIVES

Electric Dreams: The organization is ahead of the curve with two Proterra 35' all-electric buses in its fleet. The commitment to sustainable practices extends to adhering to stringent idling standards.

Electrifying Future: A CDOT 5339 grant for another electric bus in the following year marks a bold step toward a 100% electric fleet by 2035.

Climate Action Goals: The new additions, coupled with the Town's commitment to renewable energy with Holy Cross Energy, are key components of the Town's strategy toward reaching Avon's

2022 Stats

- ◆ Miles Covered: 175,901 miles
- ◆ Total Ridership: 457,000 rides
- ◆ Operating Vehicles: 13 (including 2 all electric)
- ◆ Cost to ride: **FREE**
- ◆ Operating Income supported by:
 - ◇ CDOT grants,
 - ◇ property taxes,
 - ◇ state and federal grants,
 - ◇ contracts with other local government entities,
 - ◇ wash-bay charges and
 - ◇ operating subsidies from the General Fund.



SUSTAINABILITY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Universal Accessibility: Avon's Mobility follows ADA regulations, ensuring that every bus is wheelchair accessible.

Door-to-Door Service: A PARA transit service offers door-to-door transportation for qualifying passengers, reinforcing inclusivity.

Passenger Feedback Loop: Avon's Mobility utilizes customer comment cards and encourages open conversations between drivers and passengers.

Community-Driven Initiatives: A forthcoming Micro Transit pilot program, set for the summer of 2024, is a testament to the organization's responsiveness to community needs.

Community-Centric: While not directly involved in TOD projects, the organization's growth mirrors that of the local community, with added stops aligning with developmental expansion.

Driving Growth: Avon's Mobility plays a pivotal role in supporting the region's growth and development by serving as a lifeline for over 50% of low-income residents.

MULTI-MODAL INTEGRATION

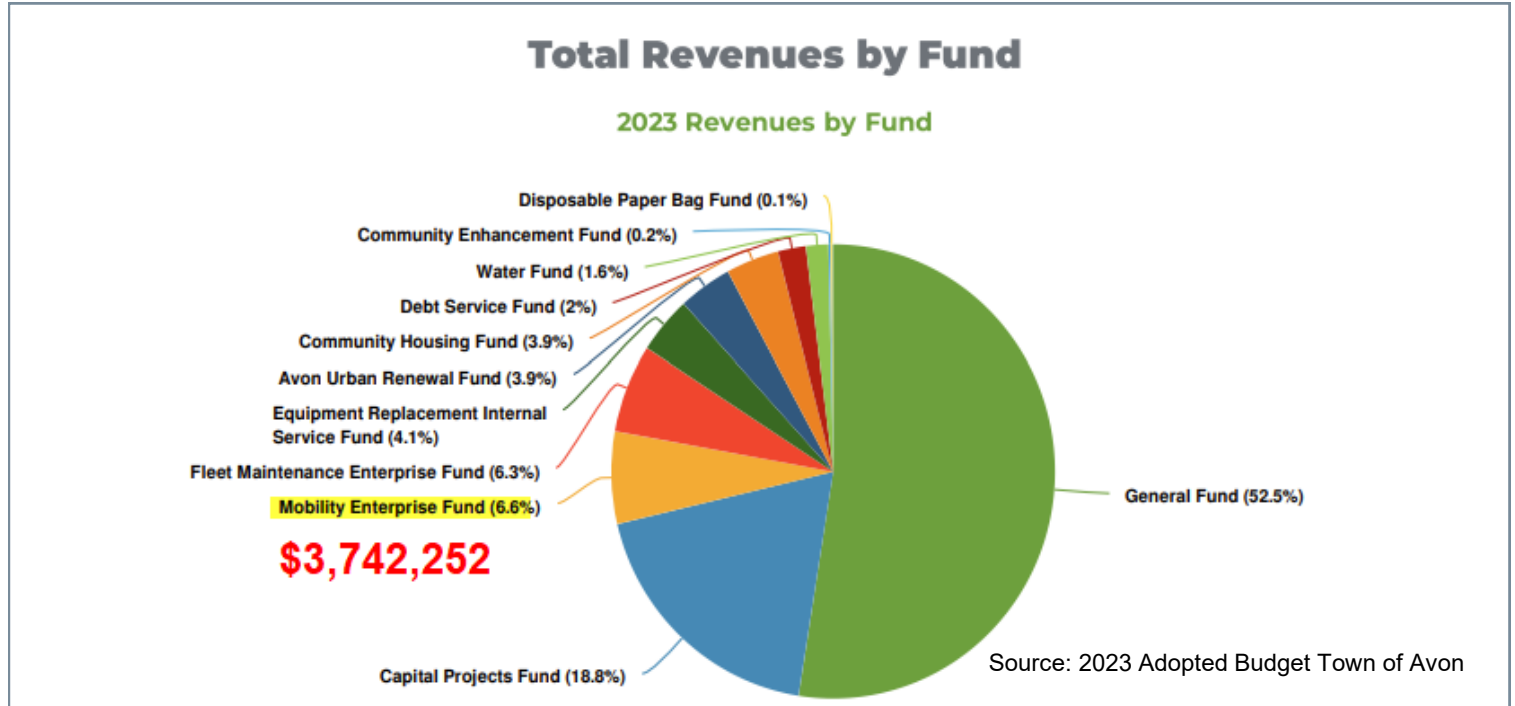
Seamless Mobility: Collaborations with ECO Transit enable seamless transfers for passengers requiring inter-municipality travel.

Eco-Friendly Collaboration: The partnership with Vail, Eagle-Vail, Edwards, and Vail Resorts for the Shift E-bike share program promotes alternative transportation options.

TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

Smart Travel: While a smaller agency, Avon's Mobility is evolving with times by maintaining a fare-free system, aiming for affordability and accessibility.

Safety and Security: A robust camera system, featuring at least 8 cameras per bus, enhances passenger safety and security.



TRANSIT PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIONS

Resort-Connected: Avon's Mobility partners with Vail Resorts to facilitate a winter shuttle to Beaver Creek resort, catering to employees and vacationers.

Valley-Wide Unity: Collaborations extend to Vail, Eagle-Vail, Edwards, and planned partnership with Minturn for the E-bike share program.

CHALLENGES AND FUTURE PLANS

Tackling Challenges: Hiring and housing employees remain key challenges. The organization addresses this through competitive wages and upcoming workforce housing developments.

Growth on the Horizon: With an eye on an enhanced evening service, a Micro Transit pilot program for 2024, and improved winter shuttle services, the future of Avon's Mobility shines brightly.

For in-depth insights, explore [Avon Mobility's website](#).

For information about the [Budget click here](#).

