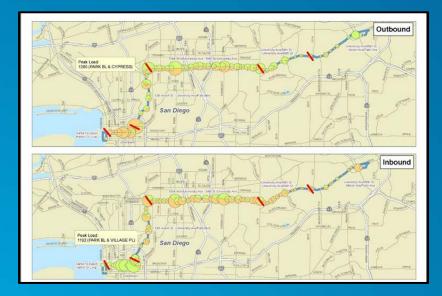
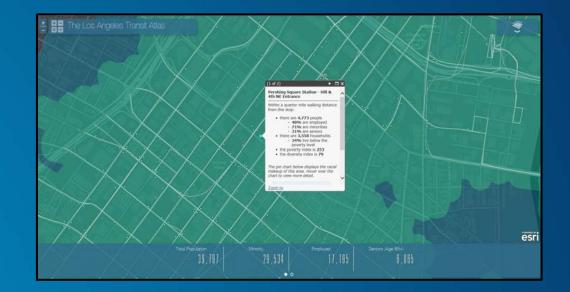


# Esri Public Transport Webinar Series Effective Transit Route and Stop Planning with TBEST

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# **Smart Cities Challenge**

Requires Solving our Transportation and Mobility Issues







# Key Public Transport Challenges:

- How to Think Differently / How to Design More Effective Service in Response to Rapidly Changing Mobility
- New Data Sources
- Better Coordination Across Modes
- Better Design of Our Cities: Breaking Down the Silos
- Sustainability

### Key Public Transport Challenges:

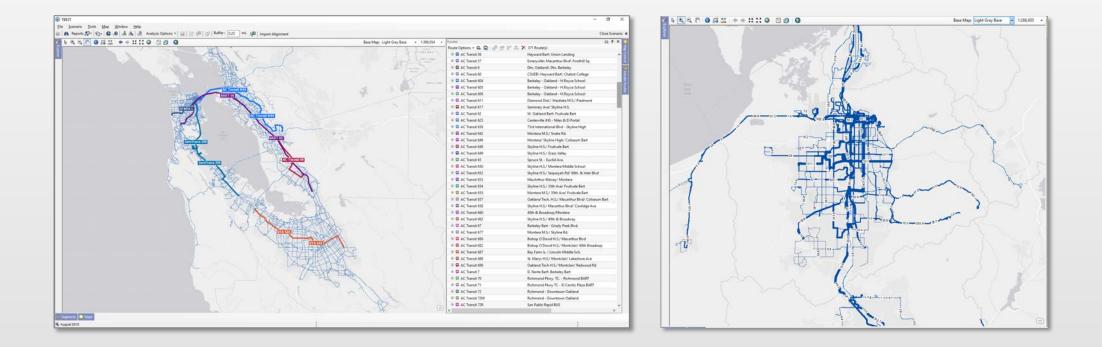
How to Provide Optimal Service at the Most Efficient Cost

High Levels of Customer Service (On-Time Performance, Meeting Customer Needs)

Maximizing Ridership, Accessibility, Equity

All with the Lowest Passenger Subsidy

# TBEST FOR TRANSIT PLANNING



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# TBEST DEVELOPMENT TEAM

**Public Sponsorship** 

**Research-based Methodologies** 





Software Development, Implementation and Technical Support



# INTRODUCTION

### What is TBEST?

Software tool providing transit data analytics and insights to support Transit Service Planning and Strategic Transportation Planning initiatives

### What are the core TBEST features?

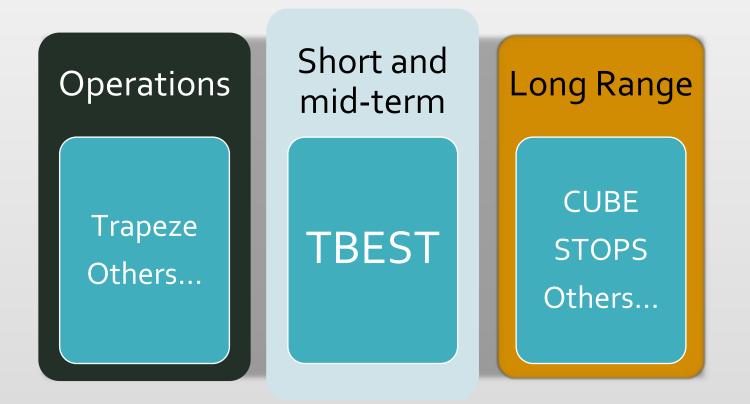
- Transit Demand Estimation
- Market Analysis
- Transit Operational Analysis
- Equity Analysis
- Accessibility Analysis
- Jurisdictional Analysis

### Who Maintains TBEST?



- FDOT manages TBEST development and provides TBEST data products for all Florida agencies
- Agencies outside of Florida are welcome to utilize TBEST
- Software download on the TBEST website (www.tbest.org)

# WHY TBEST? Transit Planning Software Gap



# **TBEST – SOFTWARE OBJECTIVES**

- **Data Integration** national, regional and local data
- 2 Agency Policies embed local policies and operating conditions
- **Transit Focus** address transit-specific planning issues

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- 4 Scenario Planning quickly build transit service alternatives
- 5 **Efficiency** consistent, streamlined and repeatable analysis workflows
  - **Communication** dashboards, maps, tables, charts -> **decision-makers**
- Cost Effective free software; documentation and training videos provided; internal agency toolset

# **TBEST TRANSIT PLANNING SUPPORT**

- Transit Development Plans
- Route Optimization Studies
- Operational Analysis (COA's)
- Regional Modeling
- BRT Modeling

- Title VI Triennial Reports
- Title VI Disparate Analysis
- Grant Applications
- Corridor Analysis

# TBEST FRAMEWORK TECHNOLOGY

- Standalone desktop software with embedded ESRI technology
- Requires ArcGIS to be locally installed (Basic license-level)
- Compatible with ArcGIS versions 10.2 to 10.6.1 (not 10.6)
- Microsoft SQL Server LocalDB (installed with TBEST)
- Microsoft Visual Studio Express (optional model scripting)









# **GTFS NETWORK INTEGRATION**

### Network

### **GTFS Network Import Tool**

- Import GTFS routes and service into TBEST scenarios
- Input GTFS data can be for base year service or proposed service
- Select representative Weekday, Saturday and Sunday service days
- With minimal review, the GTFS network is ready for TBEST modeling and analysis
- Add APC stop-level ridership data for TBEST application (stop\_ridership.txt)

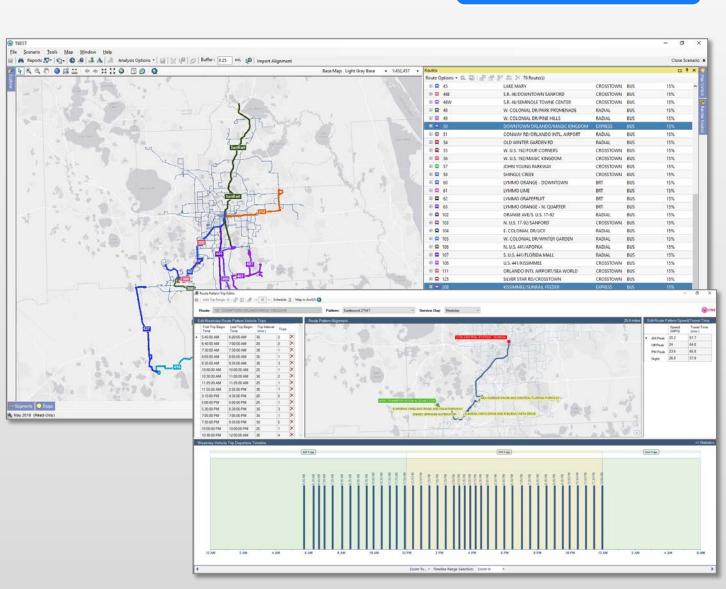
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# **TBEST TRANSIT NETWORK EDITOR**

### Network

### **Construct Alternative Service Networks**

- Service organized by Route
- Add/Edit/Remove Routes, Patterns, Segments and Stops
- Trip Editor to modify Vehicle Trips and Travel Times
- Assign Stop Amenities, Special Generators, Transfer Stations
- Intuitive, ArcGIS-based map editor components
- Configurable Base Map (AGOL & MXD)
- Export TBEST network to GTFS, shapefiles, KMZ, FGDB



### **TBEST Base Socio-Economic Data**

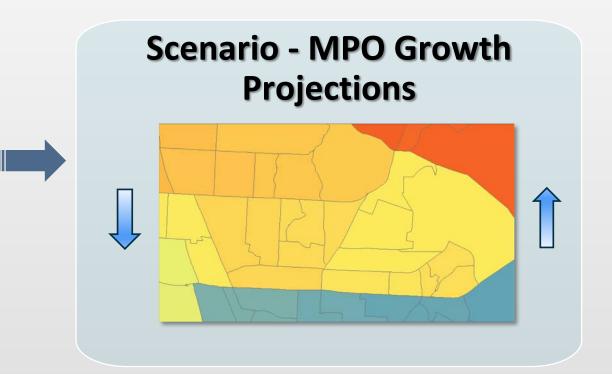
### Demographic

Census 2010 and ACS 5-Year

**Employment** LEHD, Zonal or Address-Based

Parcel Land Use (optional)

Trip generation by land use type



Socio-Economic

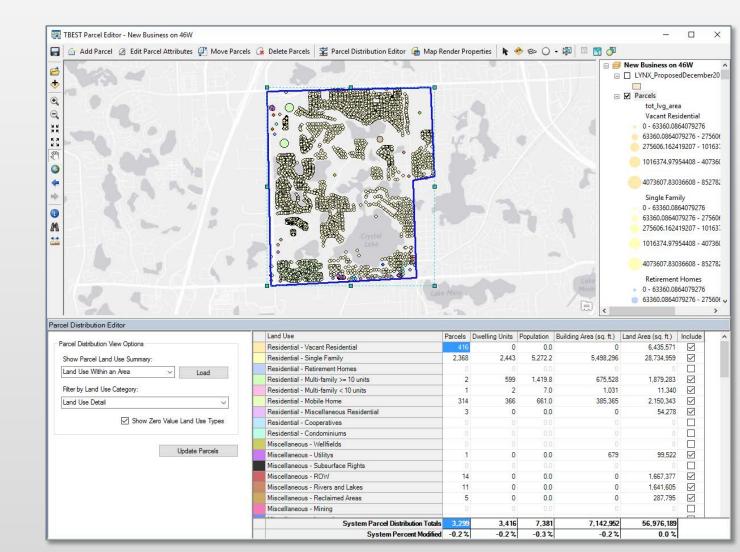
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### Socio-Economic

# **TBEST PARCEL EDITOR**

### **Create Parcel Scenarios**

- Edit parcels (add, move, delete)
- Edit land use distributions within a defined geography to reflect the planned land use mix (Transit Oriented Development)
- Option to auto-generate parcels based on specified parcel counts and building area by land use type



# TBEST RIDERSHIP ESTIMATION

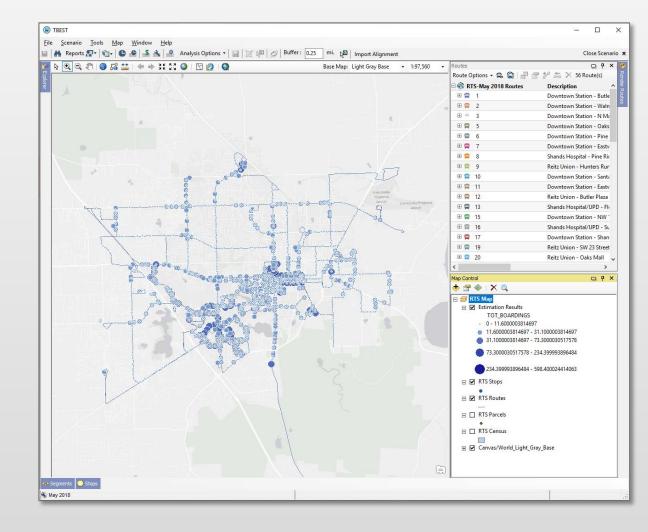
### **Estimation Model**

### **TBEST Stop-Level Ridership Estimation Model responds to:**

- service-level adjustments
- route re-structuring
- fare changes
- transfers
- walk markets
- destination markets
- BRT Characteristic Scoring

### **Model Validation Tools**

TBEST creates adjustment factors to apply to scenario alternatives

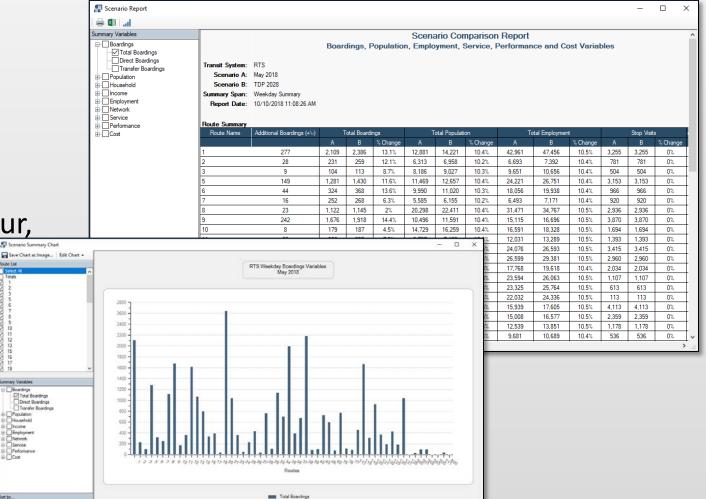


# TBEST SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE

## Performance

**Compare** Base Conditions with Scenario Alternatives:

- Route and System Comparison
- Direct and Transfer Boardings
- Boardings per Service Mile, Hour, Trip
- Service Levels
- Route Cost
- Fleet Estimates

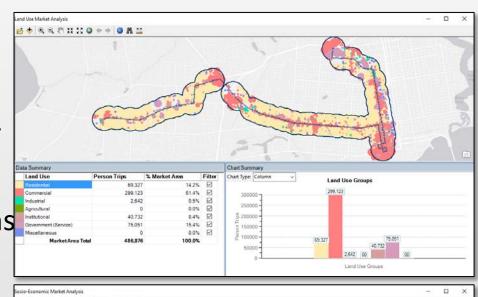


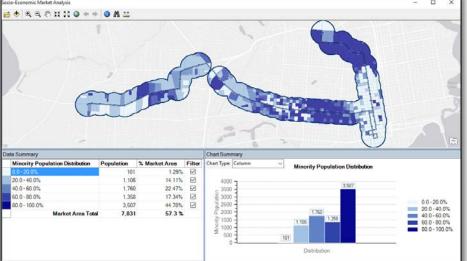
# **TBEST MARKET ANALYSIS**

### Markets

### Walk Market

- Define: Stops + Segments + Patterns + Routes + User Geography
- Summarize socio-economic market distributions
- Land Use trip potential per parcel (ITE Trip Generation)
- Compare across scenarios and with service area totals (x% of service area population within ½ mile of park-n-ride stops)



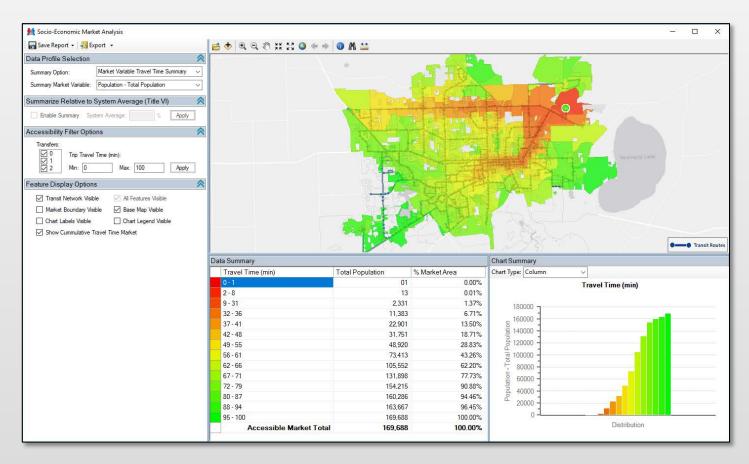


### Markets

# **TBEST MARKET ANALYSIS**

### **Network Accessible Markets**

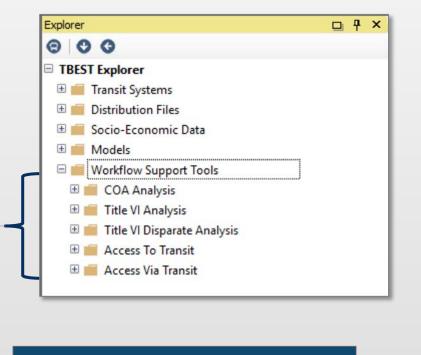
- Define Networking Parameters
- Define Accessibility to/from:
  - Single Stop
  - Multiple Stops
  - Corridor, Activity Center, CBD, or any input geography
- Summarize Accessible Markets via Transit Travel Time + Walk Time + Number of Transfers



# **TBEST WORKFLOW SUPPORT TOOLS**

### Workflow Support Tools Folder

- Wizard-driven tools to streamline common agency tasks
- Input scenario networks and task specific parameters
- User can run multiple analysis with varied networks/parameters and store as result sets



TBEST Explorer – Workflow Support Tools

• Compare results

# TBEST OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

### **COA Analysis**

### **Density Service and Performance**

- Route Performance by Socio-Economic Density (High, Medium and Low)
- Groups Route Service by Density Areas
- Multiple socio-economic density variables
- Density by Jurisdiction (Municipalities, Flex Zones, Corridors, etc.)

### Density Report by Route - Total Population LYNX - 2018 Flex Zones Summary Period(s) - (Weekday) Observed Estimate (per Acre ervice Hours oute 01 1.70 10.7 65 0.0 6.1 Low Density 0 6.5 0 162 0.0 Medium Density 5.44 24.9 9.83 8.1 0 92 0.0 11.4 High Density 25.3 319 0.0 12.6 Route Total: 5.26 0 03 0.0 Low Density 3.40 2.0 0 0 0.0 5.87 18.8 0 188 0.0 10.0 Medium Density 11.07 21.1 0 463 0.0 21.9 High Density 8.37 41.9 651 0.0 15.5 Route Total: 0 06 Low Density 0.80 0.5 0 0 0.0 0.0 Route Density - LYNX - 2018 Flex Zones (Weekday) 07 \*AM Peak: 6-9am; Off Peak: 9am-3p 10/21/2018 9:01:32 AM

### Performance

# TBEST OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

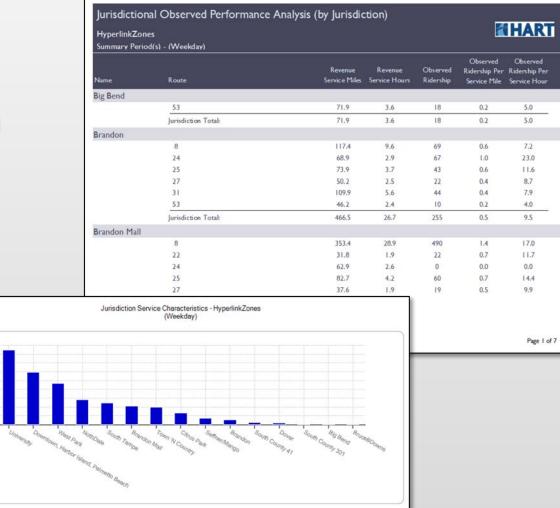
### **COA** Analysis

### **Jurisdictional Service and Performance**

Summarize transit service and performance by user-defined input areas such as:

- Rural vs. Non-Rural (5311)
- Taxable Areas (Transit Funding Sources)
- Municipalities
- Corridors
- Counties
- Flex Zones

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# TBEST EQUITY MEASURES

# Equity

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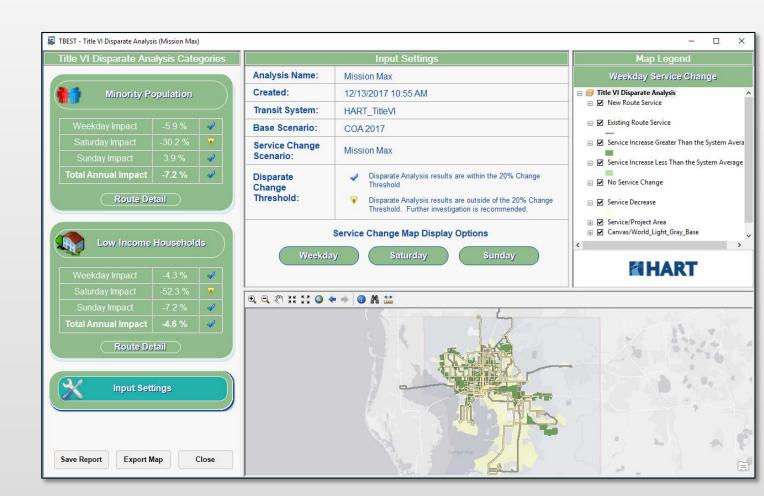
### **Title VI Analysis Workflow Support Tool**

- Intended for Triennial Reporting
- Calculates System % Disadvantaged Populations (Minority, Low Income, LEP)
- Route-level % Disadvantaged Populations
- Calculates Minority and Low Income Routes
- Minority and Low Income Revenue Miles and Stop Arrivals
- Reports and Maps styled based on FTA Circular guidance
- Comparison Reports to evaluate System, Route and Jurisdictional differences between scenario alternatives

# TITLE VI DISPARATE ANALYSIS

### Title VI Disparate Analysis Workflow Support Tool

- Directly compares service change between two TBEST scenarios
- Uses FTA 4/5ths rule or local Title VI policy
- Evaluates disparate impacts of major system service changes to minority and low income populations using "People Trips"
- Notifies that user of disparate impact



Equity

# TITLE VI DISPARATE ANALYSIS



### **Route Comparison Report**

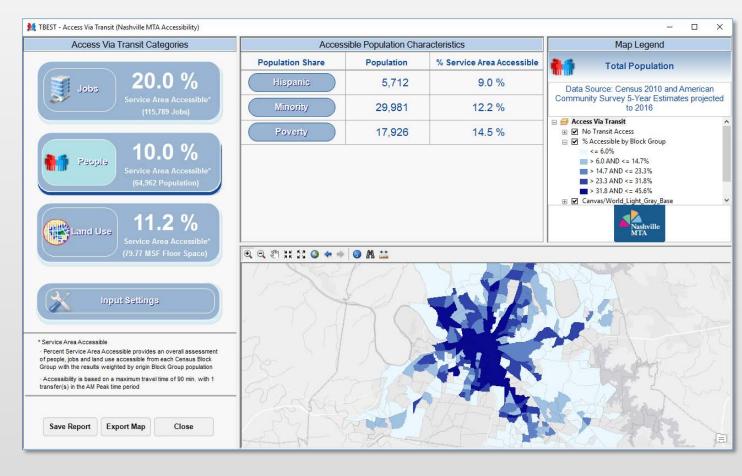
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400		26,437	50,085	89.5%	86,231	68,474	-20.6%	40,437	33,941	-16.1%	46.9 %	49.6 %	2.7%	2,216.56	3,443.07	55.3%	1,069.05	1,699.97	59%	51.4 %	4.5 %	
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# TBEST ACCESSIBILITY MEASURES

# Accessibility

### System Accessibility Workflow Support Tools

- Total System Accessibility
  - To Transit (Walk Access)
  - Via Transit (Network Access)
- Communicate Access to Jobs, People and Land Use...with a single number
- Comparative reporting between scenario accessibility summaries



# EXAMPLE TBEST IMPLEMENTATION

### LYNX - Orlando



- Maintains an active, validated TBEST model for service and strategic planning Developed TBEST tools for meeting regulatory compliance by measuring additional trips related to localized development
  - Developed grant application for SunRail Feeder service using TBEST ridership estimation
  - Supported recent TDP, COA and Route Optimization studies
- LYNX FTA Title VI reporting policy includes TBEST as the methodology and
- output 🦻

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# **OTHER AGENCY TBEST APPLICATIONS**

### \*Most Florida Agencies

Nashville WeGo UTA (Salt Lake) Foothill Transit RVTD (Medford, OR) GRTC (Richmond, VA) PART (NC) CET (Bend, OR) HRT (Hampton Roads, VA) Transfort (Ft. Collins) GTA (Greensboro) Long Beach Transit Many others...

# TBEST

# AGENCY IMPLEMENTATION STEPS

- **Installation** install TBEST on local, in-house machines
- **Socio-Economic Configuration (outside of Florida)** utilize FDOT Guidance documents and templates to configure national, state, regional or local socio-economic data
  - Validation develop base transit service and socio-economic conditions and validate TBEST ridership estimations with observed ridership
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- **Application** planners develop alternative scenarios, maps, charts, reports to support specific projects including TDP development, service plans, grant applications, etc.
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- **Sharing** TBEST data products are shared with other planners or the public via TBEST GIS data exports to ArcGIS or ArcGIS Online and/or GTFS exports.

# **TBEST RESOURCES**

### TBEST Website (www.tbest.org)

- Software Download (http://tbest.org/downloads/?dl\_cat=13)
- □ User Guide (http://tbest.org/downloads/?dl\_cat=10)
- Video Tutorials (http://tbest.org/video/TBESTTrainingVideos.htm)
- SE Data Config Guidance and Templates (http://tbest.org/downloads/?dl\_cat=12)
- Technical Assistance Contact Information



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