

Martha's Vineyard
Regional Transit Authority

Annual Report



Fiscal Year 2008

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008

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Angela E. Grant
Administrator

Greetings from the Administrator:

Fiscal Year 2008 showed increased ridership for both the in-season and off-season, allowing for the VTA to meet and exceed their one million passengers milestone. At the close of FY 2008, the VTA had logged 1,031,197 passenger boardings! The rising cost of fuel contributed to this increase.

Fiscal Year 2008 brought an overall increase of 12% in passenger boardings over FY 2007. Passenger boarding analysis shows a 22% increase in the FY 2008 off-season ridership from FY 2007.

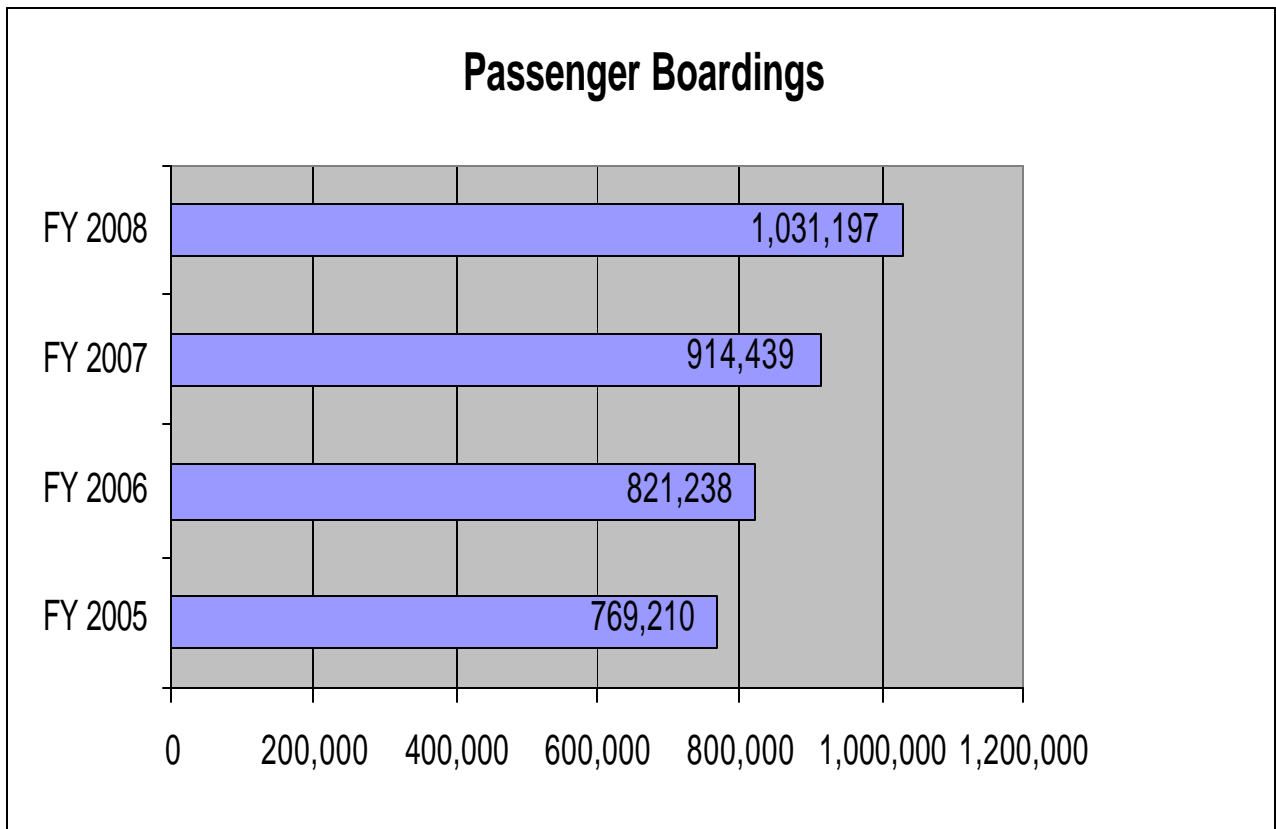
As always, I would like to extend my gratitude to our operating company, Transit Connection, Inc., and their staff for their continued devotion as we go into our seventh year of operation together. I would also like to express my appreciation to all of the town and local boards for their cooperation and support, as well as my staff for their commitment to providing quality public service. Last, but not least, I must thank the community and our passengers for their continued support of the VTA.

Truly,

Angela E. Grant
Administrator

Passenger Boardings by Fiscal Year

	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
July	200,671	210,985	218,789	228,006
August	214,511	235,088	235,105	254,856
September	89,664	103,252	98,051	118,503
October	44,558	39,553	51,790	62,250
November	12,894	14,846	20,081	24,920
December	9,173	11,121	16,424	18,739
January	7,008	9,954	14,605	18,827
February	8,013	9,471	12,987	18,980
March	10,741	12,450	18,050	23,792
April	17,843	21,832	25,265	34,355
May	43,891	53,129	69,461	78,874
June	110,243	99,557	133,831	149,095
Total	769,210	821,238	914,439	1,031,197



“The Lift”

The Martha’s Vineyard Regional Transit Authority provides year-round paratransit service to the Island’s six (6) towns. The VTA also provides weekly van service to Boston area medical facilities. The following is a breakdown of *Lift* trips by purpose:

<u>Trip Purpose</u>	<u>Trips</u>
Medical	3,812
Nutrition	640
Social / Recreational	9,496
Nutrition/Shopping/Other	1,317
Total Trips	15,265

Fiscal Year 2008 Audit Report

