



MOVING PEOPLE GOODS FORWARD

America is a country on the move. Our economy and quality of life depend on the effectiveness of our transportation systems. State, local, and federal governments invest hundreds of billions of dollars each year in transportation infrastructure, yet we continue to waste hours in traffic, arrive late for work and medical appointments, and miss out on family time. America is the fifth most congested country in the world, and Boston is the nation's seventh most congested city. As economies grow increasingly oriented toward metropolitan areas, these challenges will intensify.

Breakthrough technologies exist today and are under development to improve mobility. We are on the cusp of the greatest leap forward in transportation innovation since the first half of the 20th century. Pioneer Institute's 2019 Better Government Competition is focused on ideas that get commuters to where they need to go conveniently and reliably, and transform our transportation system from a constraint on economic growth to a driver of prosperity.

POTENTIAL AREAS FOR APPLICANTS TO CONSIDER

- ▶ **Finance and management:** Improve infrastructure construction, maintenance, and vendor performance through creative procurement, pricing strategies, asset management systems, and public-private partnerships.
- ▶ **Technology:** Leverage private sector innovation to improve mobility, accessibility, user-equity, safety, and communications through autonomous vehicles, data solutions, scheduling, and bus route redesign.
- ▶ **Governance and permitting:** Reform decision-making to deliver infrastructure on shorter timelines and within budget, and provide accountable and predictable public services.
- ▶ **Planning:** Advance planning for transit-oriented development, flexible interconnections between private and public options, and multimodal infrastructure.
- ▶ **Freight:** Move freight efficiently and effectively on diverse (metropolitan, suburban, and rural) routes and rails while preserving underlying infrastructure, and improve curb management in densely populated zones.
- ▶ **Improvements big and small:** If you are a rider, driver, transit employee, or simply an observer, we invite you to share how you would improve your commute, from immediate issues around parking, communication, safety, and station repair and design, to big ideas that will reduce congestion, advance bus rapid transit, and double the number of commuter rail riders.

**These are just examples.
THINK BIG.
BE BOLD!**

TWO WAYS TO SUBMIT

ONLINE
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Include your paper as an attachment

WHAT WE AIM TO DO

MOVE PEOPLE

Advance effective public and private transportation innovations that facilitate continued economic growth in Greater Boston and beyond.

MOVE GOODS

Identify ways to ensure safe and efficient freight management on all modes of transport.

MOVE FORWARD

Highlight technological solutions to address congestion, public safety, and cost efficiency across all transportation modes.

TOP PRIZE
\$10,000

4 RUNNERS-UP
\$1,000

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