Kaine Transportation Plan

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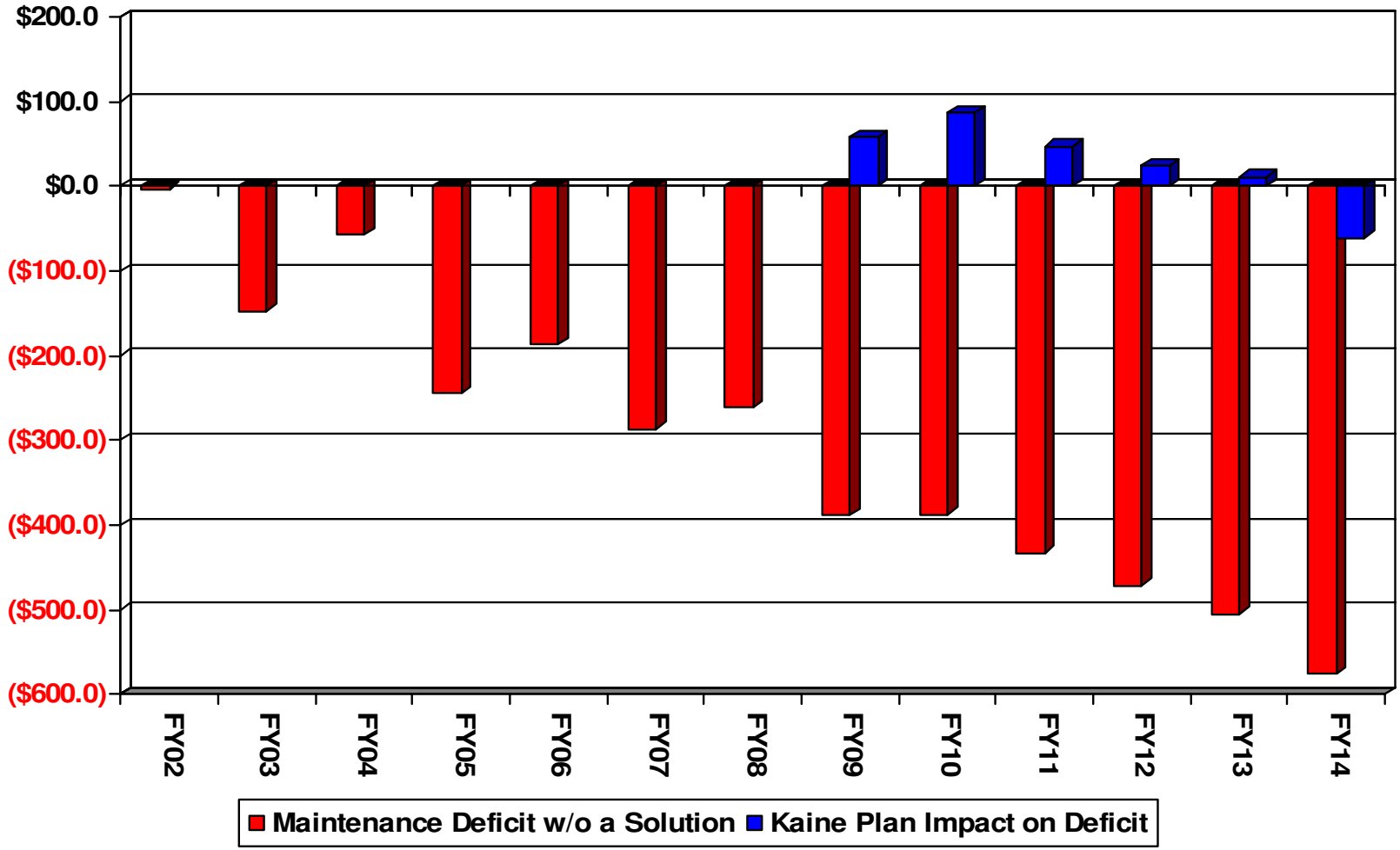
Address Transportation Problems

- Safety First
- Regional Improvements
- Transportation Change Fund

Safety First

- 1,026 people died last year on Virginia highways
- Our bridges' average age is 47 years – about 8% are in need of replacement today and this number grows as bridges age
- Evacuation of Hampton Roads is now estimated to take more than 24 hours
- Maintenance is the first funding priority by law – this plan manages the highway maintenance funding deficit – freeing funds for construction and congestion relief
- Ends major raids on the highway construction fund

Plan Manages Highway Maintenance Deficit



Regional Improvements

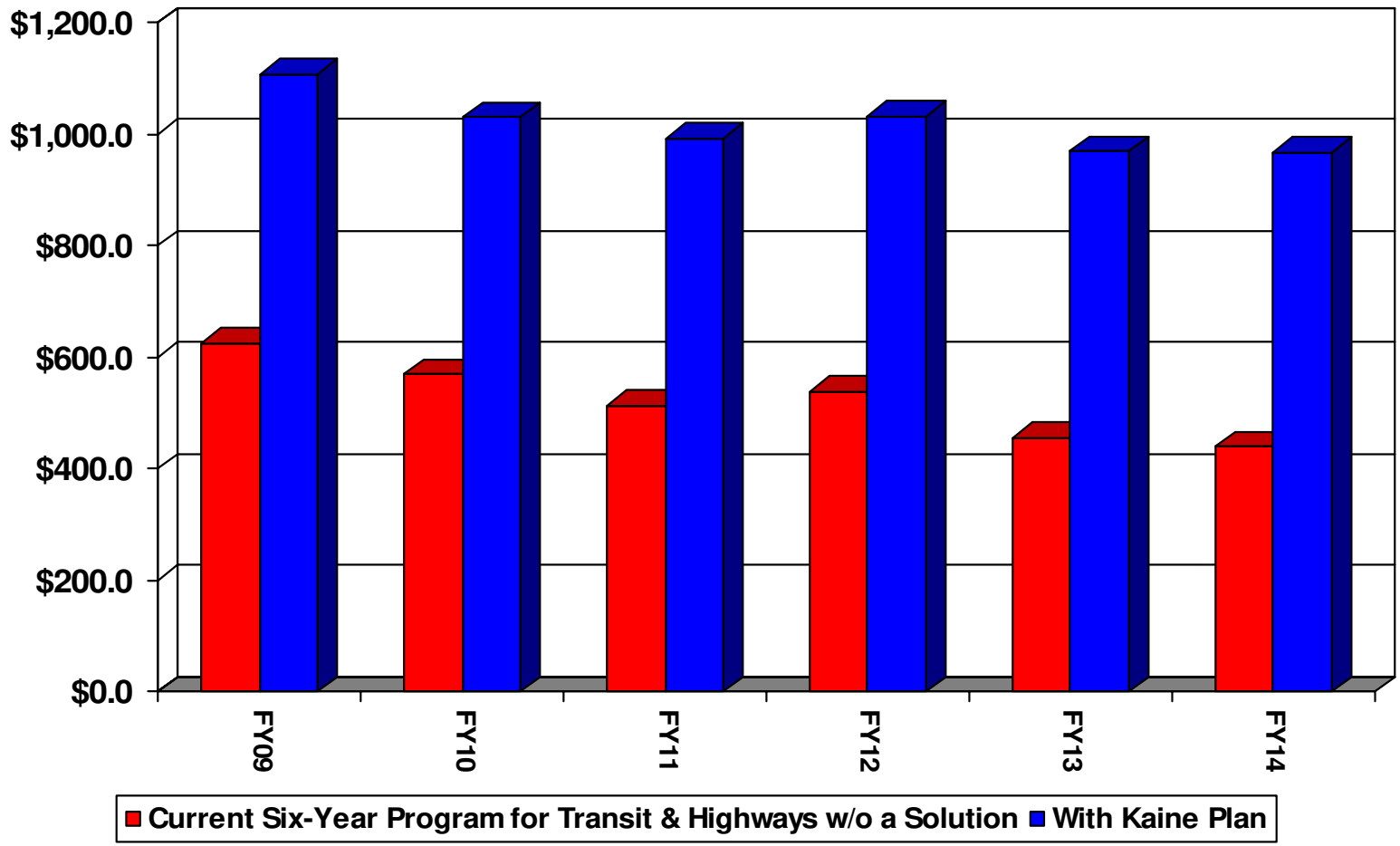
- In Northern Virginia, 81% of travelers are trapped in congestion during their drive to work – wasting more than a 2 week vacation each year*

- In Hampton Roads, congestion costs taxpayers $467 million each year in lost time and fuel costs*

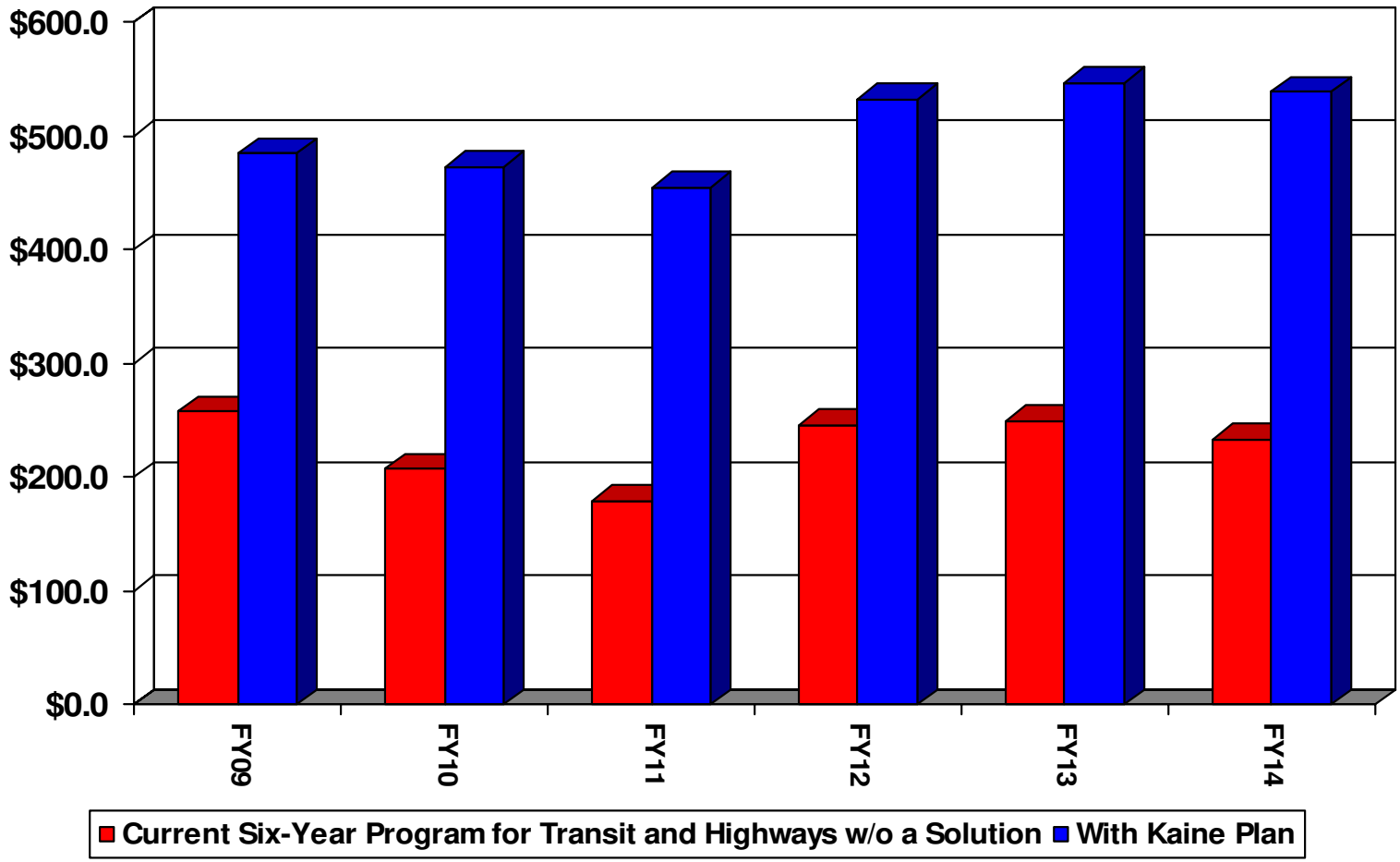
- Relieving transportation congestion requires regional solutions and sustainable investment in commuter alternatives
  - This plan relieves congestion with dedicated funding that will stay in the regions
  - Northern Virginia and Hampton Roads' transportation regional funding needs are met

*2007 Annual Urban Mobility Report by the Texas Transportation Institute

Invest in Congestion Relief in Northern Virginia



Invest in Congestion Relief in Hampton Roads

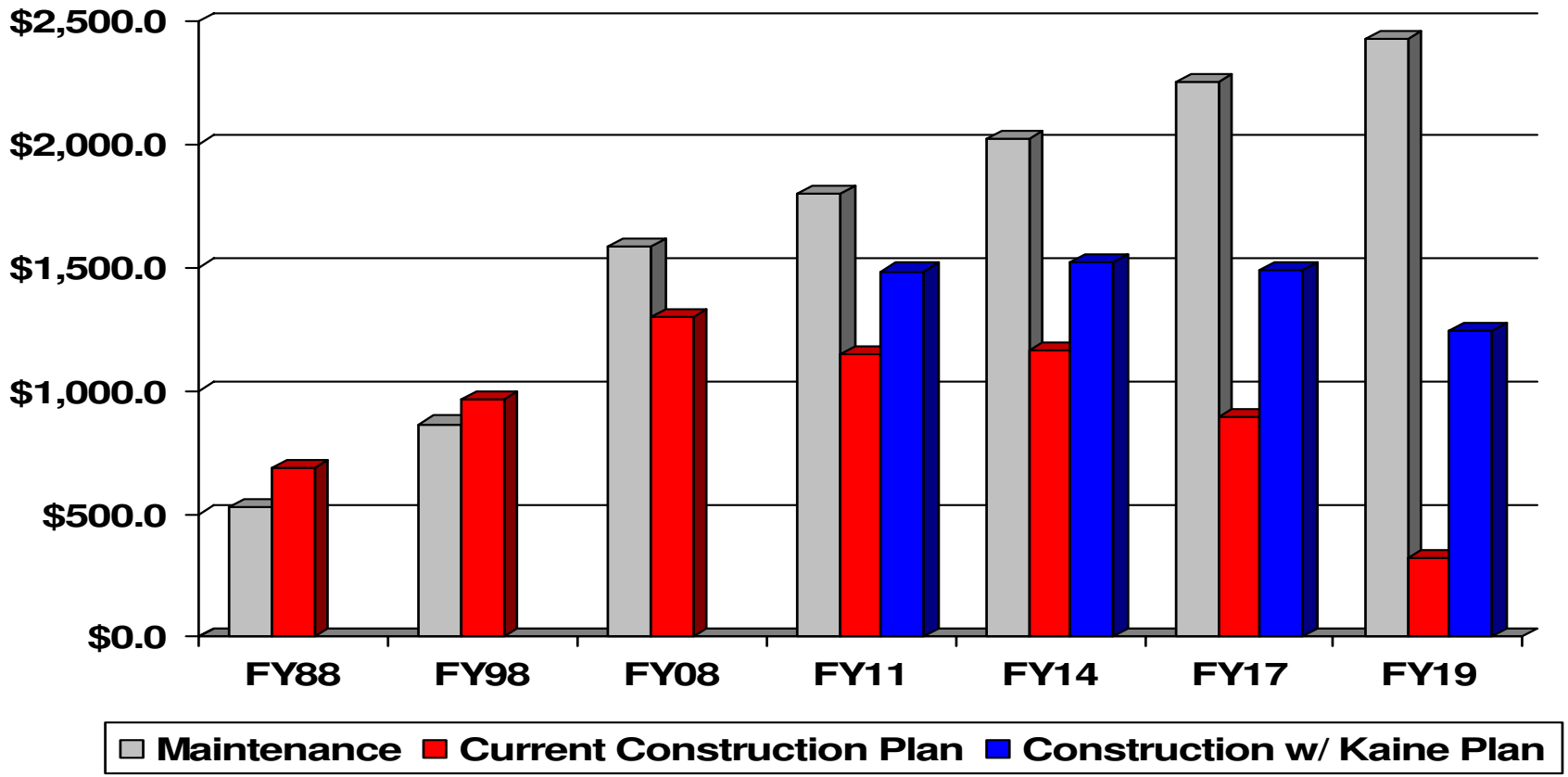


Statewide Improvements

- All areas of the state need funding for improvements to local roads

- This plan will restore local road funding by ending major raids on construction funds for highway maintenance

Plan Increases Statewide Road Construction While Funding Maintenance

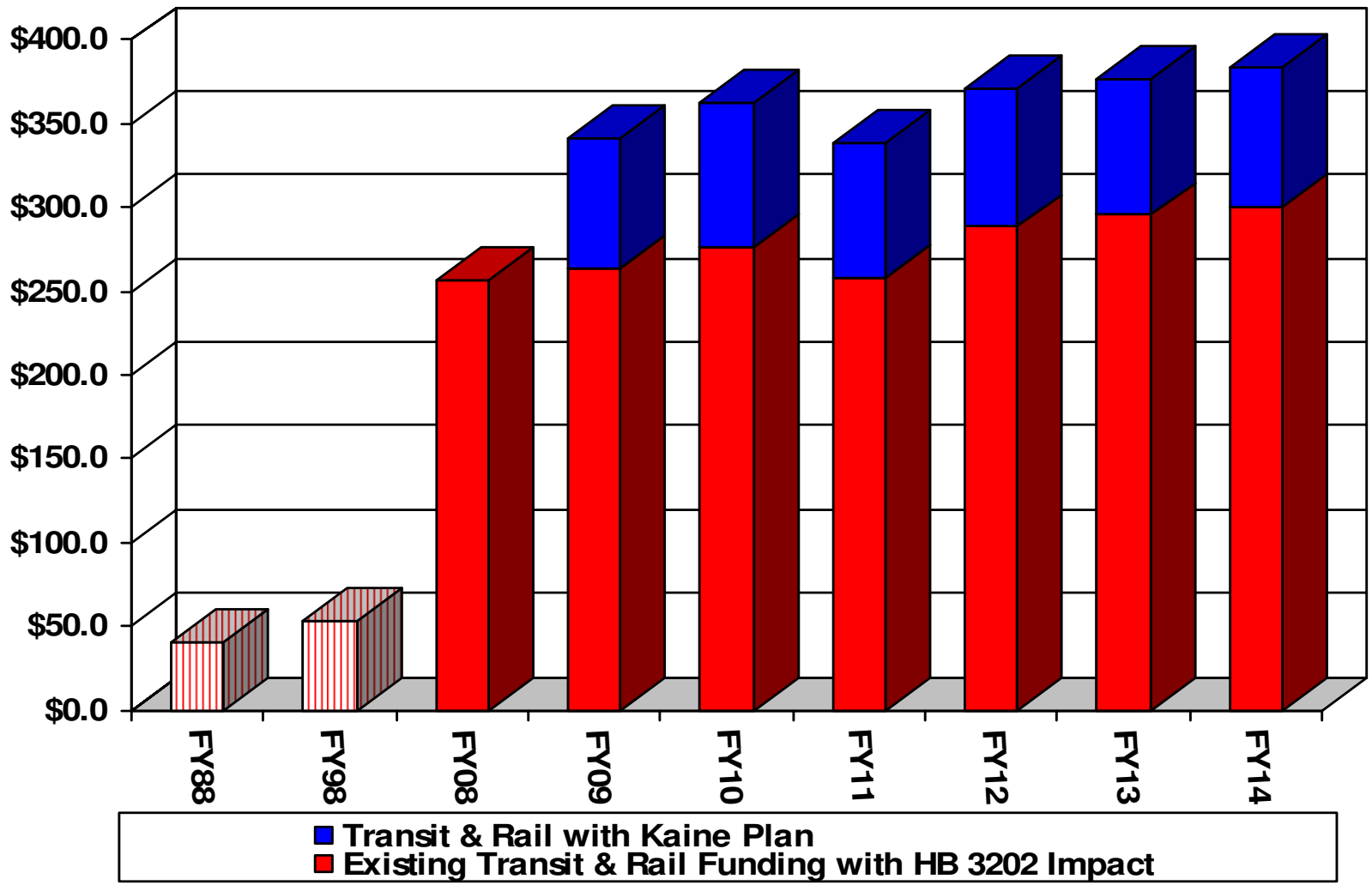


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Transportation Change Fund

- Highway construction alone will not solve our transportation problems – we need to reexamine our approach
- In 2007, dedicated rail and transit funding was significantly increased
- Sustainable, increasing investment in rail and transit brings choices to commuters
  - In Northern Virginia, commuters in the I-66 and I-95 corridors have a choice of Metrorail, Virginia Railway Express, HOV, ridesharing and telecommuting options
  - In Hampton Roads, Norfolk Light Rail will move 11,500 people per day in addition to the regional bus service provided by Hampton Roads Transit
- In rural areas, vanpools and transit provide critical access to jobs and health care
- This plan increases sustainable rail and transit funding by more than 30%
- This plan also increases available funding to encourage telework

Plan Expands Transit & Rail Investments



*Does not include one-time funds but does include bond proceeds; FY 88 & FY 98 reflect base transit and rail funding

Transportation Investments to Promote Economic Development

- Bringing jobs to Virginia requires the construction and maintenance of a first class transportation network
  - Rolls Royce
  - Canon
  - Route 28 Interchanges
  - Coalfields Expressway
  - Route 58

- Bringing jobs to Virginia requires a reliable transportation network
  - Freight must move just in time
  - Workers must get to their jobs
  - Quality of life requires safe, predictable and reliable travel

- This plan provides a sustainable investment to the Transportation Partnership Opportunity Fund to bring new jobs to Virginia and retain existing jobs
  - This Fund provides grants for transportation projects to support economic development