

METRO Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit Project

- » 17-mile transitway in design and construction
- » Region's busiest express bus corridor with 14,000 daily transit rides and over 200,000 auto vehicles/trucks
- » 12 accessible transit stations with enhanced infrastructure with all-day, reliable, frequent service, seven days a week
- » Access to 198,000 jobs and 121,000 residents, including 56,000 jobs outside of downtown Minneapolis
- » \$150.7 million project, all funding secured
- » First phase of construction underway, led by MnDOT, on I-35W in Minneapolis
- » Next phase of construction, the Knox Avenue Transitway, begins in 2019 in Richfield and Bloomington
- » \$74.1 million awarded from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through the Small Starts program
- » Scheduled to open for revenue service in Late 2021



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The METRO Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project will use roadway improvements, upgraded transit stations and improved bus service to provide fast, frequent and reliable all-day transit service along I-35W.

Buses will travel on Marquette and 2nd Avenues in downtown Minneapolis. South of downtown, the Orange Line will provide frequent service to stations at Lake Street, 46th Street, 66th Street, 76th Street, American Boulevard, 98th Street, Burnsville Heart of the City, and Burnsville Parkway.

As a part of the METRO system, the Orange Line will connect people across the region to job centers, and destinations along I-35W, including Best Buy Headquarters, the Penn American District, Southtown Shopping Center, Heart of the City, and downtown Minneapolis.

Capital Sources, in Millions

