The new METRO F Line

Faster transit is coming to the Route 10 corridor

The METRO F Line is a planned Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line that will provide faster and more reliable transit service in the Route 10 corridor. BRT is a package of transit enhancements that adds up to a faster trip and an improved experience on Metro Transit’s busiest bus routes.

The METRO F Line will travel along Nicollet Mall in downtown Minneapolis; Central Avenue through northeast Minneapolis, Columbia Heights, and Hilltop; and University Avenue through Fridley and Spring Lake Park to Northtown Mall in Blaine.

The METRO F Line will improve a busy transit route:

• Before the pandemic, customers took more than 7,000 daily rides in the Route 10 corridor, making it one of Metro Transit’s busiest bus routes.
• Route 10 ridership remains strong, even during the pandemic.

Preliminary Project Schedule (subject to change)

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Bus Rapid Transit: A faster, more reliable, and more comfortable ride

Metro Transit is developing a network of bus rapid transit lines across the Twin Cities region. This cost-effective way to speed up service substantially improves the customer experience and has proven to attract more people to use transit regularly.

**Neighborhood-scale stations with amenities**

Stations are equipped with features for a safe and comfortable experience, similar to light rail.

- NexTrip, real-time arrival and departure information
- On-demand heat, security lighting, and emergency communications
- Near-level boarding – walk onto the bus without having to climb steps
- Bike parking and trash receptacles

**Limited stops, frequent service**

BRT will operate every 10 minutes for most of the day with stations every 1/3 to 1/2 mile.

As planning progresses on each line, Metro Transit will evaluate the market and demand for additional local bus service in areas along the corridor.

**Pre-boarding fare payment for faster stops**

For faster boarding through all doors, BRT buses don’t have fareboxes. Customers will purchase a ticket or tap a Go-To Card at the station, just like light rail. Fare inspections will be conducted by Metro Transit police.

**New infrastructure to increase speed**

In additional to the improved stations and wider stop spacing, Metro Transit and its partners are exploring options to make these BRT lines even faster. Options include:

- Signal priority to keep moving; buses could “ask” for early or extended green lights at certain intersections
- Bus-only lanes along portions of the line to keep buses out of traffic

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