

Moving *Forward* to an experience that is consistently safe, clean, and welcoming

Everyone who travels and works on our system deserves to have an experience that is **consistently safe, clean, and welcoming**. That's why we're acting with urgency to strengthen our official presence on transit, increase our focus on cleaning and repairs, and strengthen partnerships with community-based organizations who can enhance and supplement our work. Our collective efforts are guided by our **Safety & Security Action Plan**, which describes more than 40 actions centered around three areas of work:

1. Improving conditions on the system
2. Training and supporting employees
3. Engaging customers and partners

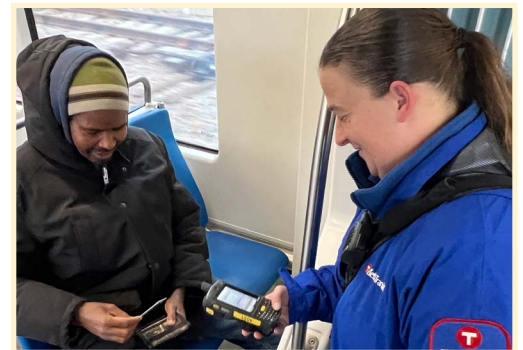


Every action in the Safety & Security Action Plan is in motion.
[Learn more at metrotransit.org/public-safety.](https://metrotransit.org/public-safety)

Safety & Security **ACTION PLAN**

Key public safety initiatives advancing in 2026

- **Growing the Metro Transit Police Department.** As part of the department's ongoing efforts to bring on more police officers, we've created a new hiring unit that includes a full-time sworn recruitment officer. We're seeking more officers dedicated to honesty, service, and respect. Learn more at metrotransit.org/joinMTPD.
- **Expanding the Transit Rider Investment Program (TRIP).** TRIP Agents are primarily responsible for inspecting fares, assisting riders, and upholding the rules for riding. In 2026, we aim to have more than 150 TRIP Agents working on light rail and bus rapid transit lines.
- **Increasing investment in supplemental security.** In 2025, we expanded the number of light rail stations and other boarding locations with supplemental security officers and increased hours of coverage. For the latest information on locations with security, visit metrotransit.org/public-safety.
- **Strengthening partnerships with community-based organizations.** To continue and expand our work with community-based organizations, we have selected a vendor to provide outreach on transit lines and offer referrals to services. This partnership is scheduled to launch in summer 2026. We currently partner with organizations that work closely with the Metro Transit Police Department's Homeless Action Team, which can connect people to emergency shelter, housing vouchers, and other resources.
- **Capital improvements focused on safety and experience.** Capital improvements focused on making light rail stations feel safer and more welcoming are being made on a continuous basis. This includes efforts to expand the use of public art and durable materials less prone to vandalism. These investments come in addition to planned renovations of the Lake Street/Midtown and Franklin Avenue stations starting in 2027.



TRIP Agent

By the numbers

- **2.5 million** fare inspections by Transit Rider Investment Program (TRIP) Agents as of March 2026
- **130+** TRIP Agents working on transit as of March 2026
- **45%** increase in proactive police calls for service
- **121** full-time police officers
- **-5.4%** decrease in the most serious crimes through March 2026, compared to the same period in 2025
- **210%** increase in police onboardings in Q1 2026, compared to the same period in 2025
- **16%** increase in offenses addressed due to proactive patrolling in Q1 2026, compared to the same period in 2025



Police Officers



CSOs



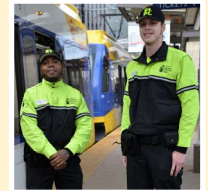
TRIP Agents



Supplemental Security



Community-Based Organizations



Safety Ambassadors

More people, more places

Here's who you'll see on transit, and the role each group plays while on the system. For more information, visit metrotransit.org/presence.

- **Police Officers:** Metro Transit police officers respond to and investigate all crimes reported on transit and at transit facilities throughout the region. They also work with and assist partner law enforcement agencies.
- **Community Service Officers (CSOs):** CSOs are part-time members of the Metro Transit Police Department who are enrolled in degree programs and on their way to law enforcement careers. Their duties include educating customers about the rules of riding, inspecting fares, and assisting customers.
- **Transit Rider Investment Program (TRIP) Agents:** TRIP Agents are primarily responsible for inspecting fares, assisting riders, and upholding the rules for riding; they can also provide first aid, administer Narcan, and provide information about social services.
- **Supplemental security officers:** Supplemental security officers monitor high-traffic locations where there have historically been more calls for police service. Security officers are primarily in place to discourage behaviors like smoking and littering and will contact police when they observe or suspect illegal behavior.
- **Community-based organizations:** To address issues like unsheltered homelessness and substance use disorders that can show up on transit, representatives from community-based organizations are providing outreach services on light rail.
- **Safety Ambassadors:** Safety Ambassadors with the St. Paul Downtown Alliance regularly spend time at downtown St. Paul light rail stations and adjacent bus stops acting as another set of eyes for public safety professionals while cleaning up trash and assisting visitors with wayfinding.