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Loudoun Improves Local Bus Service to Silver Line Stations Beginning Jan. 2

Loudoun County is adjusting bus schedules and relocating one bus stop to improve service for riders going to Silver Line Metrorail stations. All routes are evaluated for timeliness and efficiency on a quarterly basis throughout the year to better serve all Loudoun Transit riders.

Schedule Changes

Beginning Tuesday, January 2, 2024, Loudoun County Transit will be adjusting schedules on 20 of the 21 local bus routes serving the Silver Line Metrorail stations in Loudoun and Fairfax counties to reduce wait times and better serve riders who need to make connections at the Metrorail stations. Route 333 serving Quantum Park and Pacific Boulevard with stops at the Loudoun Gateway Metrorail Station remains unchanged.

Riders are encouraged to review the new bus schedules closely as the changes in departure times are significant, ranging from a five-to-20-minute difference, depending on the route. All of the current updates to bus schedules with operating times are posted at loudoun.gov/buschanges.

Bus Stop Location Change on Route 351

Loudoun County Transit will also relocate one bus stop on Route 351 from the Leesburg II Park and Ride Lot – Segra Field to the Leesburg I Park and Ride Lot located at 41951 Gourley Transit Drive in Leesburg. With this adjustment, commuter bus riders will have added flexibility with a midday connection to the Leesburg I Park and Ride Lot from the Ashburn Metrorail Station.

Local Bus Service Connecting to the Silver Line Metrorail Stations

Loudoun County's local bus service to the Loudoun and Fairfax Counties Silver Line Metrorail stations provides weekday service to and from convenient local stops, including connections to the Ashburn and Loudoun Gateway Metrorail Stations in Loudoun County and to the Innovation and Reston Town Center Metrorail Stations in Fairfax County. Additionally, some of the routes connect to the county's park and rides lots, which are mapped at loudoun.gov/parkandridelots.

All Loudoun County Transit buses are equipped with electronic fare boxes that accept SmarTrip@ cards for simple transition to Metrorail service. Everything commuters need to know about riding Metrorail is posted at Loudoun.gov/silverline.

Stay Informed

Loudoun County encourages bus riders to stay informed about any changes to the county's bus services by visiting loudoun.gov/buschanges for current service changes, including holidays and

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inclement weather. Bus riders may also subscribe to bus rider alerts at <u>loudoun.gov/busbiz</u> to receive email alerts.

In addition, Loudoun County Transit riders may download the Transit app for free on Google Play or the Apple Store. After downloading the app, set your favorite routes to begin receiving notifications for the buses you ride. For more information about the app, visit loudoun.gov/transitapp.

Transit riders can sign up to receive news via email and text from Loudoun County by subscribing to the Transit category listed under the News Flash section at loudoun.gov/notifyme.

More Transit Information

Loudoun County Transit offers bus service to the Silver Line Metrorail stations, and commuter and paratransit bus services, as well as a broad range of rider and commuter services, including information about ridesharing. For more information about the full range of Loudoun County's transit and commuter services, visit loudoun.gov/transit.