

Chicago Transit Authority Crowding Reduction Plan: **Proposed**

In a major initiative to meet growing ridership and improve rider comfort throughout the system, the CTA is adding \$16 million in additional bus and train service to high-demand bus and train routes. The additions to service will reduce the time between trains and buses and lower peak crowd loads by between 10 percent and 15 percent in most cases. Ridership on the CTA has risen for 16 consecutive months, adding 22 million new riders since June 2011. The CTA will continue to routinely review and make adjustments to service to ensure that service meets customers' needs and provide it in a cost-effective manner.

Working in concert with Northwestern University's Transportation Center, the CTA is comprehensively restructuring its routes and schedules based on changing ridership patterns. In addition, the CTA is eliminating routes that duplicate existing service or that has extremely low ridership. This plan adds service to some areas and beefs up service where demand has outstripped the traditional allocation of buses and trains. There is no net cost to CTA.

Service Adjustments Overview

Bus Service

Additional service to 48 routes, including the busiest and most crowded bus routes in the city. Increasing service during peak times on congested routes and extending two other routes. Discontinue service on 12 duplicative and low-ridership routes and discontinues route segments on three routes. Reducing crowding has a direct and significant impact on customer comfort and satisfaction. For example, on the #77 Belmont bus route, the additional buses will reduce the average peak load during the 7 a.m. rush hour from 58 customers to 49 customers—a 15 percent reduction. Similarly, on the #79 79th Street route, the PM rush peak load would fall from 53 to 47—an 11 percent drop.

Rail Service

Rail service is enhanced with additional trips during peak weekday times and increased frequency and extended hours at other times. Specifically, during weekday peak travel times, 17 rail trips will be added to six lines, mostly on the Blue, Red and Brown lines, the CTA's busiest train routes. That translates to an additional 10,000 rides on a weekday. During weekday off-peak times, the frequency of the Red, Brown and Orange lines will increase by as much as 2 ½ minutes between trains. On the weekends, service frequency will also increase substantially on the Red, Brown and Blue lines, the CTA's busiest rail lines

Crowding Reduction Plan Important Dates

Tuesday September 4, 2012

CTA Public Meeting at CTA Headquarters at 6:00 p.m.

567 West Lake Street (Route 56 Milwaukee to Jefferson & Lake or Board either a **Green Line** or **Pink Line** Trains to **Clinton**, walk westbound along Lake Street west to **Jefferson** | CTA Headquarters

Wednesday September 12, 2012

CTA Monthly Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

CTA Board Members bring action to consider De-crowding Initiative

Sunday December 16, 2012

CTA Crowding Reduction Implementation (Pending CTA Board Members Approval)

Chicago Transit Authority Bus & Rail Service changes go in effect

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Chicago Transit Authority Bus Service	
ROUTE	SERVICE CHANGE
1 Indiana/Hyde Park	Discontinue south of 35th
2 Hyde Park Express	Frequency Improvement
3 King Drive	Frequency Improvement
4 Cottage Grove	
N5 South Shore Night Bus	
6 Jackson Park Express	Frequency Improvement
7 Harrison	
8 Halsted	Frequency Improvement
8A South Halsted	
9 Ashland	Frequency Improvement
10 Museum of Science & Industry	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
11 Lincoln/Sedgwick	Eliminate service between Western & Fullerton and rename segments #11 Lincoln and #37 Sedgwick
12 Roosevelt	Frequency Improvement
14 Jeffery Express	Frequency Improvement
15 Jeffery Local	
17 Westchester	Discontinued (Alternative Pace #317)
18 16th/18th	Frequency Improvement
19 United Center Express	
20 Madison	
21 Cermak	
22 Clark	Frequency Improvement
24 Wentworth	
26 South Shore Express	Frequency Improvement
28 Stony Island	Extended to Downtown Weekday Rush Hours
X28 Stony Island Express	Discontinued Send #28 downtown during peak instead
29 State	Frequency Improvement
30 South Chicago	
33 Mag Mile Express	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
34 South Michigan	
35 31st/35th	
36 Broadway	Frequency Improvement
39 Pershing	
43 43rd	
44 Wallace/Racine	
47 47th	
48 South Damen	
49 Western	Frequency Improvement
49A South Western	Discontinued (Alternative Pace #349)
49B North Western	
50 Damen	Frequency Improvement

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51 51st	
52 Kedzie/California	
52A South Kedzie	
53 Pulaski	Frequency Improvement
53A South Pulaski	Frequency Improvement
54 Cicero	
54A North Cicero/Skokie Blvd	
54B South Cicero	
55 Garfield	
55A 55th/Austin	
55N 55th/Narragansett	
56 Milwaukee	Frequency Improvement
56A North Milwaukee	Discontinued (Alternative Pace #270)
57 Laramie	
59 59th/61st	Frequency Improvement
60 Blue Island/26th	
62 Archer	
62H Archer/Harlem	
63 63rd	Frequency Improvement
63W West 63rd	
64 Foster/Canfield	Discontinued Alternative #90 and Pace #209
65 Grand	Frequency Improvement
66 Chicago	Frequency Improvement
67 67th/69th/71st	Frequency Improvement
68 Northwest Highway	
69 Cumberland/East River	Discontinued Reroute #81W
70 Division	Frequency Improvement
71 71st/South Shore	
72 North	Frequency Improvement
73 Armitage	Frequency Improvement
74 Fullerton	Frequency Improvement
75 74th/75th	Frequency Improvement
76 Diversey	Frequency Improvement
77 Belmont	Frequency Improvement
78 Montrose	Frequency Improvement
79 79th	Frequency Improvement
80 Irving Park	Frequency Improvement
81 Lawrence	
81W West Lawrence	Frequency Improvement
82 Kimball/Homan	
84 Peterson	
85 Central	
85A North Central	

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86 Narragansett/Ridgeland	
87 87th	Frequency Improvement
88 Higgins	
90 Harlem	
90N North Harlem	Discontinued (Alternative Pace #423)
91 Austin	
92 Foster	Frequency Improvement
93 California/Dodge	
94 South California	Frequency Improvement
95E 93rd/95th	
95W West 95th	Coordinate with Pace #381
96 Lunt	
97 Skokie	
X98 Avon Express	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
100 Jeffery Manor Express	
103 West 103rd	
106 East 103rd	
108 Halsted/95th	
111 Pullman/111th/115th	Frequency Improvement Split into two new routes: #111 111th/King Drive and #115 Pullman/115th
112 Vincennes/111th	
119 Michigan/119th	
120 Ogilvie/Wacker Express	Extended to Streeterville
121 Union/Wacker Express	Extended to Streeterville
122 Illinois Center/Ogilvie Express	Discontinued extend #120 into Streeterville
123 Illinois Center/Union Express	Discontinued extend #121 into Streeterville
124 Navy Pier	
125 Water Town Express	
126 Jackson	
128 Soldier Field Express	
129 West Loop/South Loop	Discontinued Alternative #1, #29 and Green Line
130 Museum Campus	
132 Goose Island Express	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
134 Stockton/Lasalle Express	Frequency Improvement
135 Clarendon/Lasalle Express	Frequency Improvement
136 Sheridan/Lasalle Express	
143 Stockton/Michigan Express	Frequency Improvement
144 Marine/Michigan Express	Discontinued Add service to #148
145 Wilson/Michigan Express	Discontinued Add service to #146
146 Inner Driver/Michigan Express	Frequency Improvement
147 Outer Drive Express	Frequency Improvement
148 Clarendon/Michigan Express	
151 Sheridan	Frequency Improvement

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152 Addison	Frequency Improvement
154 Wrigley Field Express	
155 Devon	Frequency Improvement
156 LaSalle	Frequency Improvement
157 Streeterville/Taylor	
165 West 65th	
169 69th/UPS Express	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
170 U. of Chicago/Midway	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
171 U. of Chicago/Hyde Park	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
172 U. of Chicago/Kenwood	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
192 U. of Chicago Hospitals Express	Renegotiate subsidy or eliminate
201 Central/Ridge	
N201 Central/Sherman	Discontinued
205 Chicago/Golf	
206 Evanston Circulator	
Chicago Transit Authority Rail Lines	
ROUTE	SERVICE CHANGE
Blue Line Trains	Frequency Improvement Weekday & Weekend
Brown Line Trains	Frequency Improvement Weekday & Weekend
Green Line Trains	Frequency Improvement Weekday
Orange Line Trains	Frequency Improvement Weekday
Pink Line Trains	
Purple Line Shuttle	Frequency Improvement Weekday
Purple Line Express	Frequency Improvement Weekday
Red Line Trains	Frequency Improvement Weekday & Weekend
Yellow Line Trains	

Voice Your Opinions Now: Between Now and September 11th, 2012

Written comments may be submitted up to Tuesday September 11th, 2012, by writing to the following address

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 Chicago IL, 60661
 Attention: Gregory Longhini
 Assistant Secretary
 Chicago Transit Board

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