

The new METRO E Line

Faster transit is coming to the Route 6 corridor

The METRO E Line is a planned bus rapid transit (BRT) line that will provide faster and more reliable transit in the Route 6 corridor. BRT service is a package of transit enhancements that adds up to a faster trip and an improved experience on Metro Transit's busiest bus routes.

More than 8,000 rides were taken on Route 6 each weekday in 2019. Route 6 ridership has remained strong, even during the pandemic.

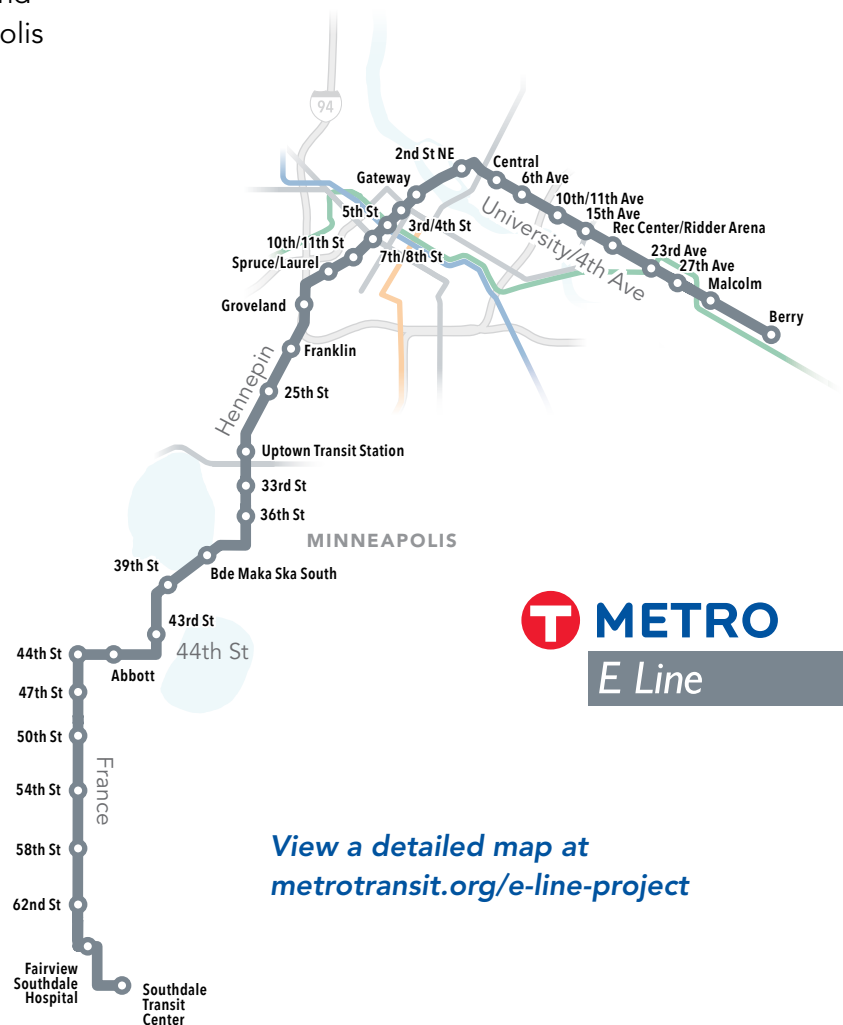
The METRO E Line will travel along 4th Street and University Avenue, through downtown Minneapolis and Uptown on Hennepin Avenue to Southdale Transit Center in Edina via 44th Street and France Avenue.

A faster trip

The goal of the E Line is to make service approximately 20% faster. Here's how:

- Buses make fewer stops, significantly speeding up travel time.
- Ticket machines at stations allow customers to purchase tickets before boarding with cash or credit.

- Low-floor buses and raised curbs at stations, plus wider bus doors and boarding from the front and back, speed up boarding.
- Extending the curb at stations saves time; buses can merge more easily into traffic after serving a station.
- Signal priority and bus-only lanes in key locations allow buses to keep moving.



View a detailed map at metrotransit.org/e-line-project

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Project Schedule *(subject to change)*



What to expect from construction

Metro Transit thanks residents, businesses and customers for their patience as crews work to get the E Line ready for opening. Construction may have periods of street closures and detours, sidewalk closures, and intermittent noise. People should anticipate the following impacts:

- Construction at each station intersection will generally include new road and sidewalk sections, changes to traffic signals, and installation of new shelters and other station features.
- Some locations will also include utility work and pedestrian or bikeway improvements.
- Crews will install underground conduit for a fiber optic network along the length of the corridor to link technology at stations.
- To improve transit speed and reliability, bus-only lanes will be implemented on portions of Hennepin Avenue as part of roadway projects being led by partner agencies.
- Some E Line facilities will be constructed through coordination with roadway projects being led by partner agencies. Communication regarding construction impacts and timing of this work will be provided by the lead agency.
- Sidewalk access will be maintained on at least one side of construction zones at all times.
- Pedestrian access to homes and businesses will be maintained.
- Buses will experience detours during construction. Up-to-date information can be found at metrotransit.org/alerts. [Subscribe to Rider Alerts](#) to keep up to date with bus detours and temporary stop locations.

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