

US 29 BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) IMPROVEMENTS

APPLICANT/SPONSOR: Montgomery County, MD

TIGER GRANT AWARD: \$10,000,000

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$67,200,000

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This grant implements an approximately 14-mile, premium, limited-stop Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service along a congested and auto-centric corridor. The system also includes new bike share stations. The BRT service uses a combination of managed lanes and bus-on-shoulder, with a small portion using mixed traffic operations. The project includes transit signal priority at intersections and real time travel information screens that will not only show bus arrivals, but also other connecting modes like Metrorail arrivals and car-sharing in the vicinity.



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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS & BENEFITS

Current bus service on US-29 is subject to the same delays as automobiles. BRT will be a more reliable and useful transit option for the approximately 23,000 riders estimated to use the new service daily. The BRT will connect suburban shopping centers, federal offices, residential neighborhoods, and regional park-and-rides between Silver Spring, White Oak, and Burtonsville/Fairland. This project supports ladders of opportunity by improving transit reliability for low-income and minority populations to reach a jobs corridor. It also has environmental benefits from hybrid power bus stations, solar power bike stations, and energy efficient signals.



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