



MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

News Release

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Purple Line and Capital Crescent Trail Construction to Necessitate Temporary Bus Stop Location Changes in Response to Road Disruptions Around Silver Spring Transit Center Starting Sunday, Dec. 1

The Purple Line and Capital Crescent Trail are on their way, but construction of the 16-mile east-west light rail line that will connect the Bethesda and New Carrollton metro stations will necessitate temporary bus route modifications in response to construction in and around the Paul S. Sarbanes Transit Center in Downtown Silver Spring. Starting Sunday, Dec. 1, those temporary changes will impact some Ride On passengers.

The Ride On bus stops on the first floor of the transit center will be temporarily relocated to the street to safely accommodate Purple Line work. Ride On routes on the second floor of the transit center will not be relocated.

Temporary bus stop locations will be along northbound Colesville Road (between Wayne Avenue and Georgia Avenue), on the second floor of the transit center and on East-West Highway and Colesville Road.

Ride On routes that will be affected by the changes include 1, 2, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 28 and 129. Detailed maps showing pedestrian detours and temporary Ride On bus stop locations can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/y3hcvjob>.

During the opening weeks of the temporary bus route modifications, there will be additional personnel stationed around the transit center to help direct Ride On users to and from the bus stops and the transit center. There also will be signage and maps placed around the center to help riders.

For information on changes to Metrobus in and around the transit center, go to <https://www.wmata.com/service/bus/>.

For more information about planned road closures and general project information for the Purple Line and Capital Crescent Trail, go to www.purplelinemd.com. Construction updates are available directly at <https://purplelinemd.com/construction/construction-updates>.

These temporary modifications are necessary while the Purple Line construction team builds the Purple Line and Capital Crescent Trail bridges across Colesville Road.

The Purple Line will provide a direct connection to the Metrorail Red, Green and Orange Lines. It also will connect to MARC, Amtrak and local bus services.

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