Welcome!

RICHMOND HIGHWAY BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) COMMUNITY MEETING

6:30-9:00 PM open house
Presentation at 7:00 PM

The purpose of the Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit System is to provide higher quality transit service on US Route 1 / Richmond Highway from Huntington Metrorail Station to Fort Belvoir. The project will provide improved transit reliability, speed, choice, user experience, and community connectivity.

The purposes of tonight’s meeting are:
(1) To share information about project progress, including the system design
(2) To share information about updates related to North Kings Highway
(3) To provide information about how you can stay updated and involved in the process

Translation: Hay personal que habla español y estamos ofreciendo traducción al español para la presentación. / There are staff here who speak Spanish, and we are offering Spanish translation for the presentation.

Additional language services can be requested free of charge by contacting Fairfax County Department of Transportation at 703-877- 5600, TTY 711.

Visit the project website for more information: FairfaxCounty.gov/transportation/richmond-hwy-brt
MEET “THE ONE”

On Friday, February 25, 2022, Fairfax County officials launched the brand identity for the BRT system, developed with input from community members and stakeholders over three years. And the name is: The One!

This name, colors, and logo will be used at BRT stations and on the buses, to help people recognize and remember the new bus service.

There are a few reasons this is the best brand for our forthcoming BRT service:

– The One is a short and simple name, so it’s easy to learn and recall.
– The One refers to the place that the buses will run – up and down Route 1 – so everyone in the community can understand its location.
– The name speaks to the uniqueness of the service. If you’re looking for a fast, frequent, traffic-free way to travel along the Richmond Highway Corridor, this is The One way to do it!
Tonight’s presentation provides an overview of design changes that occurred between the development of the 30% design and 60% design. You can view the roll maps at the meeting or on the website to see the current design.

**Overview of the Design Updates**

As the design progressed from 30% to 60%, there were more refinements and more details added. Design updates include:

- **Reduced property impacts overall, including:**
  - Single-lane transitway from Penn Daw to Shields Avenue
  - Reduced impacts to residences along Boswell Avenue
  - Reduced impacts to Village of Gum Springs Townhomes

- **Reduced the design speed from 45 mph to 35 mph.** This encourages slower vehicle travel, creating a more pedestrian-friendly environment.

**Map Overview**

Example map area: 6411 & 6401 Richmond Hwy
Alexandria, VA 22306

### Checking for Potential Impacts on Maps

- **DEDICATED TRANSITWAY**
- **SIDEWALK**
- **CYCLE TRACK**
- **LANDSCAPED AREA**
- ** ASPHALT PAVEMENT**
- **PROPOSED STORMWATER MANAGEMENT WET POND**
- **OTHER PROJECTS**
- **PRELIMINARY LIMIT OF DISTURBANCE**
- **EXISTING PARCEL BOUNDARY**
- **PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY**
- **PROPOSED GRADING LIMITS**
Limited North/South Kings Highway improvements have been incorporated into the BRT project, from Furman Lane to Mount Eagle Elementary School.

These improvements were first identified in other studies and plans:

— North Kings Highway (VA 241) Intersection Improvements Study - 2017:
  » Recommended aligning Shields Ave to remain connected directly to the intersection of North Kings Hwy at School St
  » Recommended improved pedestrian and bicycle accommodations

— Embark Richmond Highway Comprehensive Plan Amendment - 2018:
  » Recommended severing connection from Richmond Hwy to South/North Kings Hwy at BRT station
  » Recommended extending Furman Ln from South Kings Hwy to Richmond Hwy

Improvement considerations:

— Limited improvements were added into the BRT project along both North and South Kings Highway, between Furman Lane and Mount Eagle Elementary
  » Focused on improving operations for BRT
  » Included design modification to North Kings Hwy/Shields Ave intersection
  » Includes improvements to address existing narrow, non-ADA-compliant sidewalks (within scope limits)
  » Right-of-way and temporary construction easements would be required from properties along Kings Hwy

BRT Station Area

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**DESIGN FEATURES OF THE RICHMOND HIGHWAY BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) SYSTEM**

**Memorial Street at Richmond Highway**

- Existing
  - Pedestrian crossings in all directions, with high-visibility crosswalks across nearly all legs
  - Wide pedestrian refuge areas

- Proposed
  - Leading pedestrian interval used, where possible, to give pedestrians a head start and greater visibility when crossing

**Fordson Road/Boswell Avenue at Richmond Highway**

- Existing
  - Continuous lighting for both pedestrian/bicycle facilities and roadway
  - Bike lanes and sidewalks on both sides of the street (station areas will have bike racks; some will have bike share stations)
  - Local bus stops near BRT stations
  - Intersection plazas (shared spaces for pedestrians/cyclists)

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Property Impact Overview

To expand transportation facilities for the Richmond Highway BRT system, the County will need to acquire land, or rights of way (ROW), from private property owners.

- Private property rights are protected by both the Virginia and United States Constitutions. Land may be acquired only after careful study and “just compensation” for the owner.
- In the Richmond Highway BRT corridor, each property impact has been carefully considered to minimize the need for acquisition.
- FCDOT is following county, state, and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) procedures which ensure property owners are treated fairly and respectfully.

Services for Affected Property Owners and Occupants

If FCDOT needs to acquire a property for the Richmond Highway BRT project, owners and occupants may be eligible for the following benefits.

- **Residential Relocation Assistance**
  - Moving cost expenses
  - Replacement housing supplement
  - Assistance locating replacement housing

- **Rental Assistance for Displaced Owner Occupants or Tenants**
  - Rent supplement payment

- **Businesses and Nonprofit Organizations**
  - Moving cost expenses
  - Replacement property supplement
  - Reestablishment expenses

More details can be found in a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants, a County publication which will be included in the offer package.

For more information, please visit the right-of-way page on the project website

fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/richmond-hwy-brt/right-of-way