



Land Acknowledgment

Beginning with the forced removal of Indigenous Peoples and continuing through the implementation of anti-Black public policies and redevelopment practices, Atlanta is no stranger to the displacement of indigenous people and the destruction of African American communities. It is woven into the very origin story of our city.

We are on the traditional homelands of the Muscogee Creek and Cherokee Peoples. These Indigenous people were displaced through violence and governmental policies in the 1830s to make room for European settlers. Atlanta was built on top of thriving trade routes that connected Appalachia to the Sea and was home to ceremonial grounds and vibrant communities.

Our acknowledgement comes with responsibility. As we steward the land of the largest infrastructure project this city has ever seen, we recognize the historical trauma and continued displacement along with the great responsibility we have for ensuring equitable access to all the benefits the Atlanta Beltline has, can, and will bring to our communities.

To learn whose land you are on, visit: www.native-land.ca



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First Quarterly Briefing of 2026

March 5, 2026





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Data Collection

In order to meet our promise of a Beltline for all, we are working to collect demographic and geographic information from our participants. This information is strictly for internal reference and research purposes only to guide us in outreach and public engagement efforts and will not be distributed to other organizations.





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FIFA Digital Hub and Small Business Toolkit

- In December, the Beltline launched the Business Readiness and Activation Playbook and new Beltline Digital Hub.
- The hub connects residents, small businesses, and visitors across nearly 17 miles of activation.
- The Toolkit and Playbook support local entrepreneurs with resources and visibility opportunities.





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Bike Park at Shirley C. Franklin Park Groundbreaking

- On Jan. 22nd, the groundbreaking was held for Phase I of Bike Park at Shirley C. Franklin Park
- The Bike Park is a significant investment in Atlanta's Westside communities.
- The first phase includes a pump track, bicycle playground, and a skills course.





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Trail Safety Projects

- On Jan. 5th, the Beltline began installing and replacing cameras, adding gravel, and trimming landscaping.
- Work is underway on the Southeast Trail at Wylie Street, the Northeast “Gravel Rail Trail,” and the Westside Trail.
- Project completion is expected by Spring 2026.





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New Team Members



Joe Iacobucci
Vice President of Transit Innovation



Cassie Harding
Operations Manager



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Virtual Meeting Format

- Your line is muted, and you won't be able to share your video or screen during the meeting.
- A recording of this meeting, the presentation, a copy of tonight's Q&A and all other supporting materials will be made available online at www.beltline.org/meetings.
- If you are having technical difficulties during the meeting, please email engage@atlbeltline.org.
- Please save the link for Quarterly Briefing Feedback Survey to participate in after the meeting (QR code to the right).



Docked Bike Share Business Plan



ATLDOT is reviewing the feasibility of launching a new docked bikeshare system. The feasibility study that will be completed in June 2026 includes:

- Assessment of current and past shared micromobility efforts
- Review of best practices from peer cities
- Exploration of different services, governance, and funding models, focusing on the financial feasibility of a publicly-funded system

Take the survey about the future of bikeshare in Atlanta! →



← Provide feedback about potential dock locations on this map!



Our Vision

To be the catalyst for making Atlanta a global beacon for equitable, inclusive, and sustainable city life.

22
MILES
of pedestrian-
friendly rail transit

1,100
ACRES
of environmental
cleanup

33
MILES
of multi-use
urban trails

1,300
ACRES
of new
greenspace

\$10B
in economic
development

50K
PERMANENT
JOBS

5,600
UNITS
of affordable
workforce housing

48K
CONSTRUCTION
JOBS



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Projects in Motion

- 2026 Construction Completion:
 - Southside Trail 2-5
 - Enota Park
 - Bike Park Phase 1
- Projects Starting Construction:
 - Northwest Trail 3B
 - Northeast Trail 3 + Connector Trails
 - Southside Trail SE



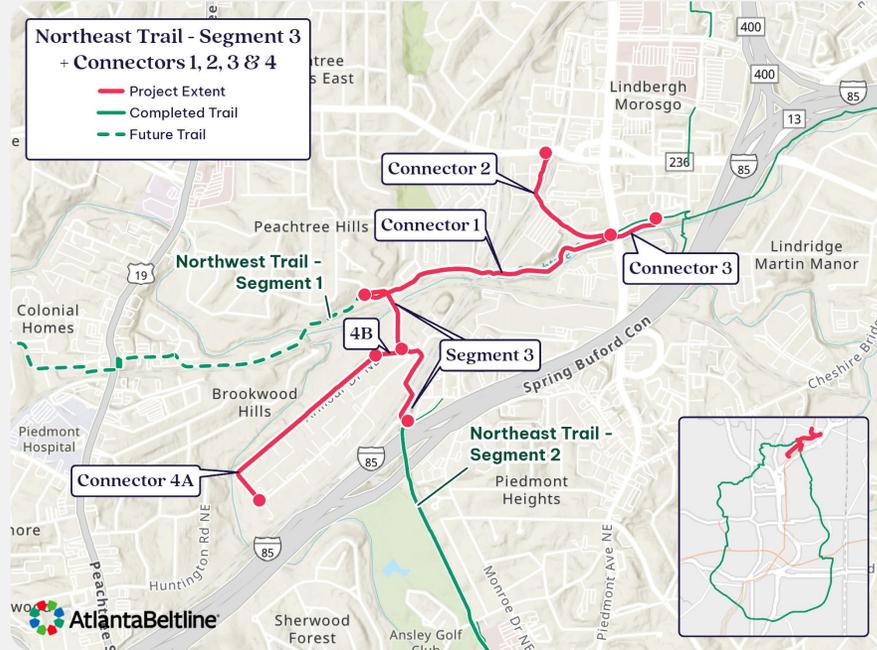
MAP KEY

- COMPLETE
- UNDER CONSTRUCTION
- SHOVEL READY
- IN DESIGN
- DOWNTOWN STREETCAR
- FUTURE STREETCAR
- MARTA LINES



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Bidding Construction



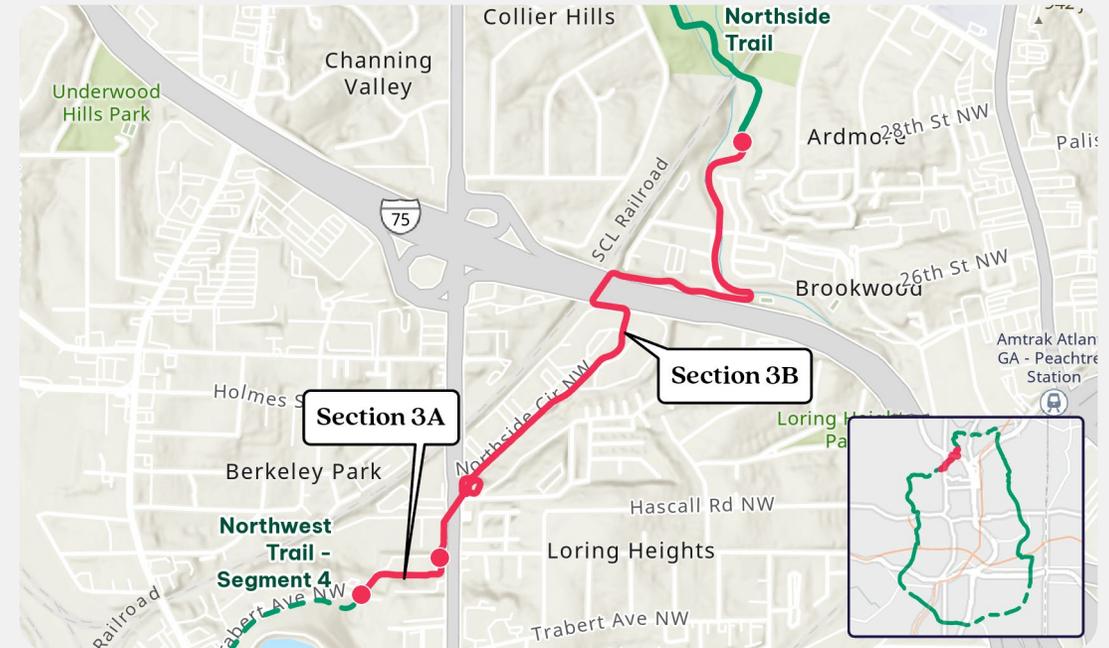
Northeast Trail – Segment 3

- 0.7 miles of elevated mainline trail from Buford Highway to Peachtree Hills
- Connector trails to PATH 400, Armour-Ottley, and MARTA Lindberg
- Design, permitting, real estate and all approvals from GDOT to bid the project are complete
- RAISE grant agreement is executed. Construction bid will begin in April, with a 42-month schedule



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Bidding Construction



Northwest Trail – Segment 3B

- This 1-mile trail begins at Northside Drive and ends at Tanyard Creek Park
- Project is currently out to bid for construction, with a start date expected in early Q3 of 2026
- Expected construction duration is 28 months



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Construction



Southside Trail – Segments 4+5

- 1.2 miles of trail under construction, running from Glenwood to Boulevard
- Concrete is complete, with lighting, cameras, railings and landscaping underway
- Target Completion: Q2 2026



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Construction



Southside Trail – Segments 2+3

- 1.9 miles of trail under construction from Boulevard to the I-75/85 overpass
- Concrete trail is expected to be poured by April. Lighting, cameras, railings and landscaping to follow.
- Target Completion: Q2 2026



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Northwest Trail – Segment 1

- 0.8 miles of trail under construction from Peachtree Park Apartments to Kinsey Court
- Bridge deconstruction and rebuild required across Peachtree Creek
- Target Completion: Q4 2027



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Construction



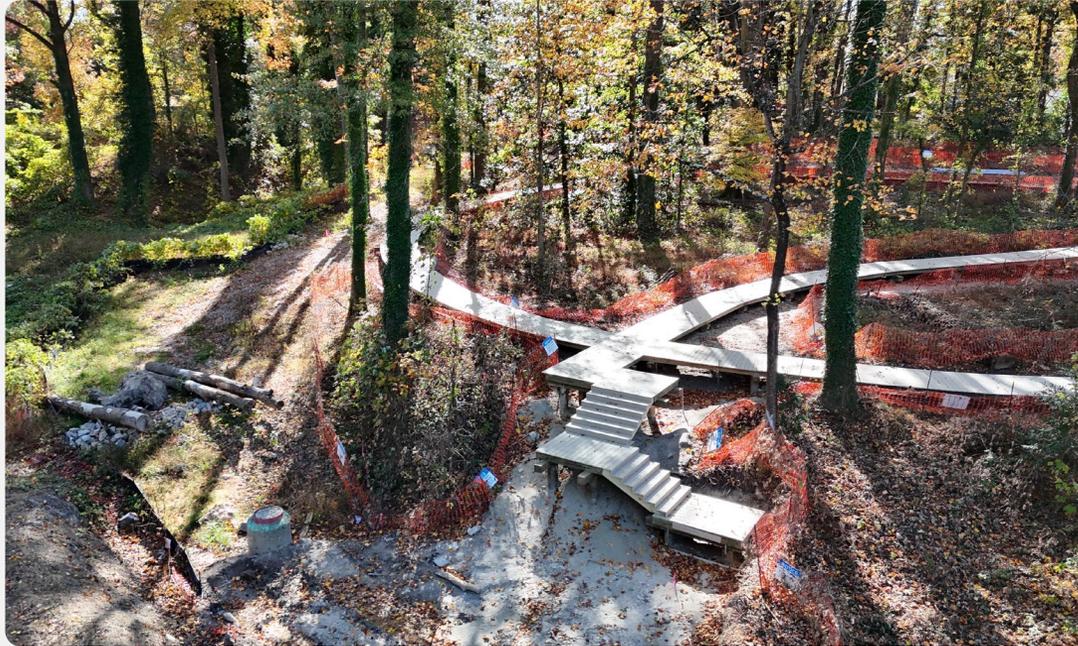
Northwest Trail – Segment 4A

- 0.5 miles of trail under construction from English and Culpepper to Howell Mill
- Project is under construction, with work starting in November
- Target Completion: Q3 2027



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Westside – Enota Park

- 8-acre park, bound by Enota Place, I-20, and the Westside Trail, is under construction
- Boardwalk is almost complete, storm water and grading
- Target Completion: Q3 2026



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Affordable Units Created/Preserved

2,010

UNITS

Supported by Invest Atlanta*

+

652

UNITS

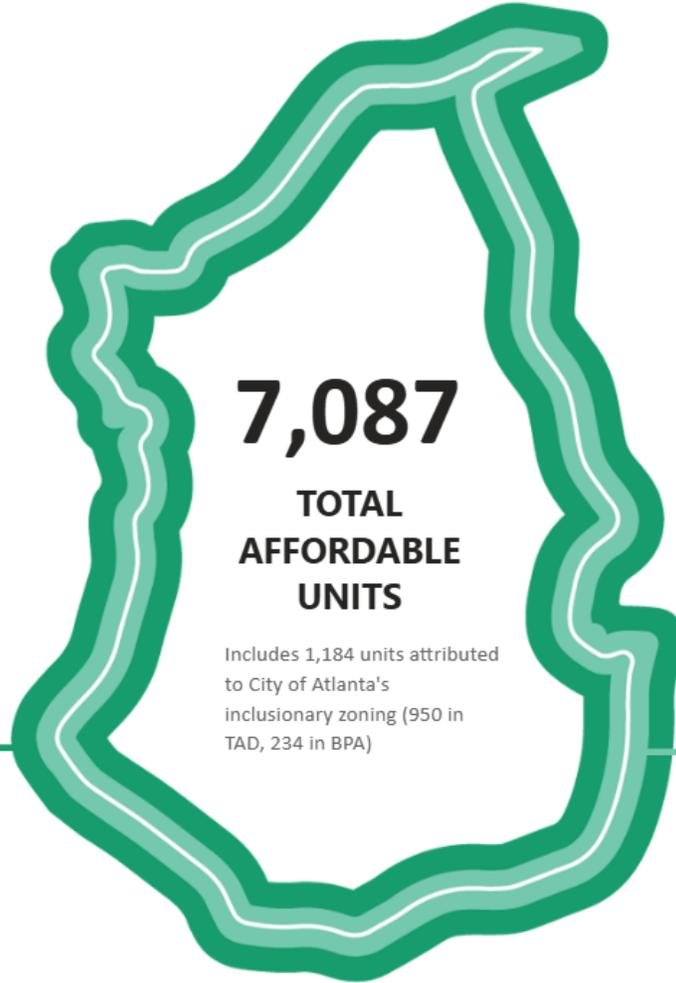
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2,662

AFFORDABLE UNITS

Beltline Planning Area and Zoning Overlay
Outside TAD within 1/2 Mile of Beltline



7,087

TOTAL AFFORDABLE UNITS

Includes 1,184 units attributed to City of Atlanta's inclusionary zoning (950 in TAD, 234 in BPA)

22 mile

ATLANTA BELTLINE CORRIDOR

3,481

UNITS

Supported by IA/ABI*

+

944

UNITS

Supported by DCA, AH, COA, and DFAC

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4,425

AFFORDABLE UNITS

Beltline Tax Allocation District (TAD)
TAD Goal: 5,600 Units

TAD and Planning Area boundaries are represented here for illustrative purposes only. For precise boundary lines, please visit beltline.org/map

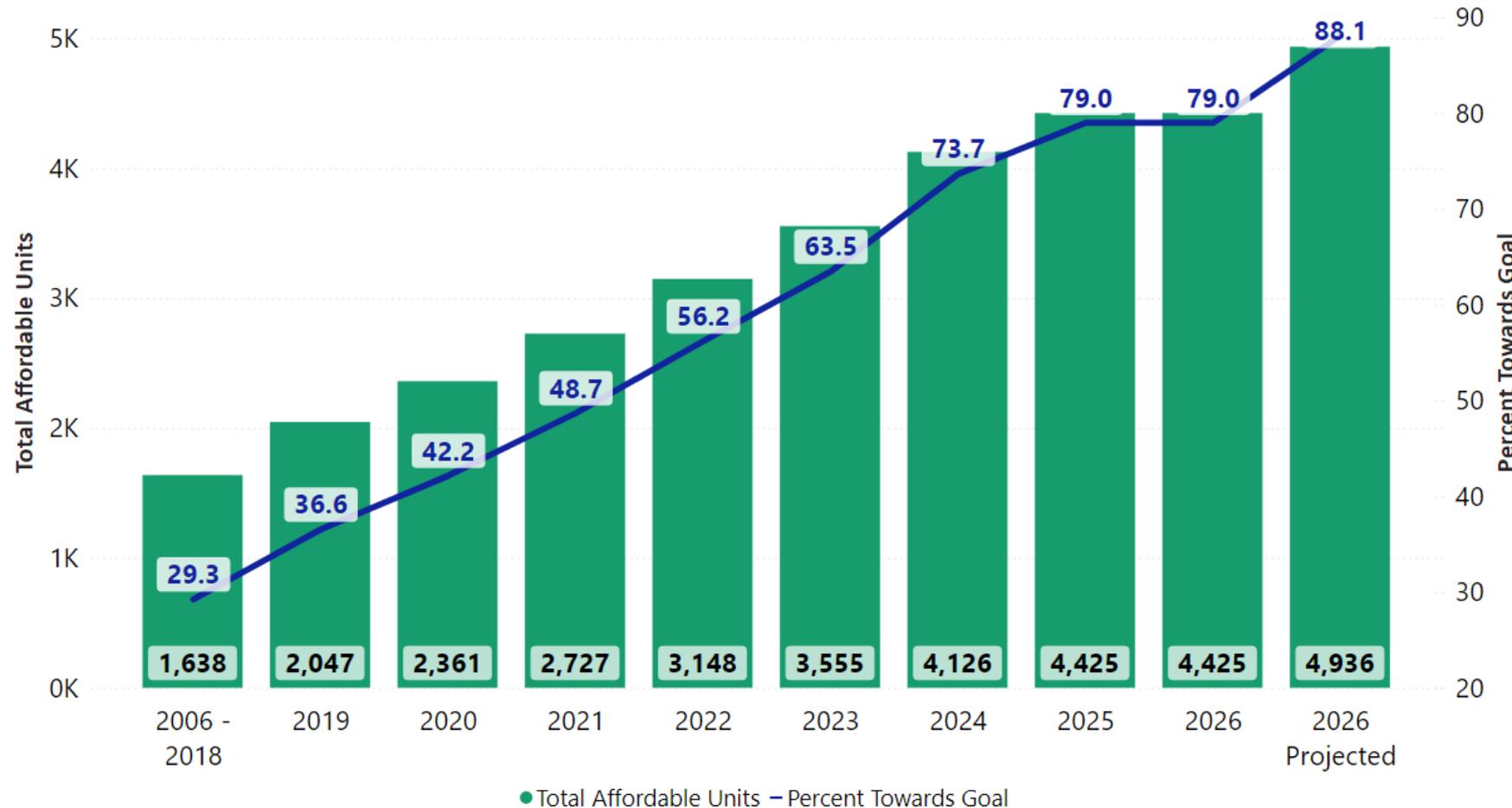
*Units are assigned to the Invest Atlanta or ABI/IA group if the development received any ABI or IA support, and may also have support from other partners.



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Affordable Housing Production

Affordable Housing Production since 2006



- Average of ~250 units per year needed to meet 2030 goal of 5,600 units
- Annual production has exceeded this average every year since 2019
- 299 units closed in 2025
- 511 units projected for 2026



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Beltline Housing Developments

579 Garson Drive and 350 Chappell Road

- Both 4% LIHTC projects, in Buckhead/Lindberg and Grove Park/Historic Westin Heights
- Combined 348 affordable units (30%-80% AMI) + ~8,000 SF affordable commercial space
- Closings anticipated in Spring 2026

Murphy Crossing

- Development of Regional Impact (DRI) and rezoning process complete
- Community meeting details to be posted at beltline.org/meetings/





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Oakland Exchange

Project Overview

- A public-private mixed-use project in Southwest Atlanta, bringing affordable housing and commercial space to the former Cut Rate Box Co. site while preserving two historic warehouses. The Beltline now owns the site, with Urban Realty Partners developing it under a long-term ground lease.

Affordable Housing Commitment

- **Phase I:** 126 residential units, 82 units affordable between 60%-80% AMI
- **Phases II & III:** Zoned for up to 135 additional units, with efforts to achieve 30% permanent affordability at or below 80% AMI.

Fair Housing & Access:

- All phases will accept Housing Choice and HomeFlex vouchers.

Affordable Commercial Space

- 20% of leasable commercial space offered at a 20% discount for at least 20 years, supporting Beltline small businesses.

Timeline

- Closed in December 2025.
- Anticipated full completion in early 2027.





MISSION

Design and implement a community-driven economic development strategy that delivers shared prosperity for residents, businesses and the broader Atlanta Beltline community



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Small Business Support

Beltline Business Ventures: Artists Edition (Launched in 2024)

- Application Deadline: March 9, 2026
- Program Dates: March 31, 2026 – June 2, 2026

Beltline Business Ventures (Launched in 2022)

- The next cohort will begin March 17, 2026

Small Business Readiness & Activation Toolkit

- Available via QR code



Business Breakfast

- March 19; 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- Pittsburgh Yards
- Theme: Atlanta is Open for Business

Local Developer Incentive Fund

- Finalists selected by March 31, 2026

Small Business Pitch Competition

- April 2; 4–7 p.m.
- Plywood Place
- Hosted by Rose Scott

Beltline Marketplace Indie Market Experience

- Registration live – Launching April 4 (404 Day)



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Digital Access & Innovation



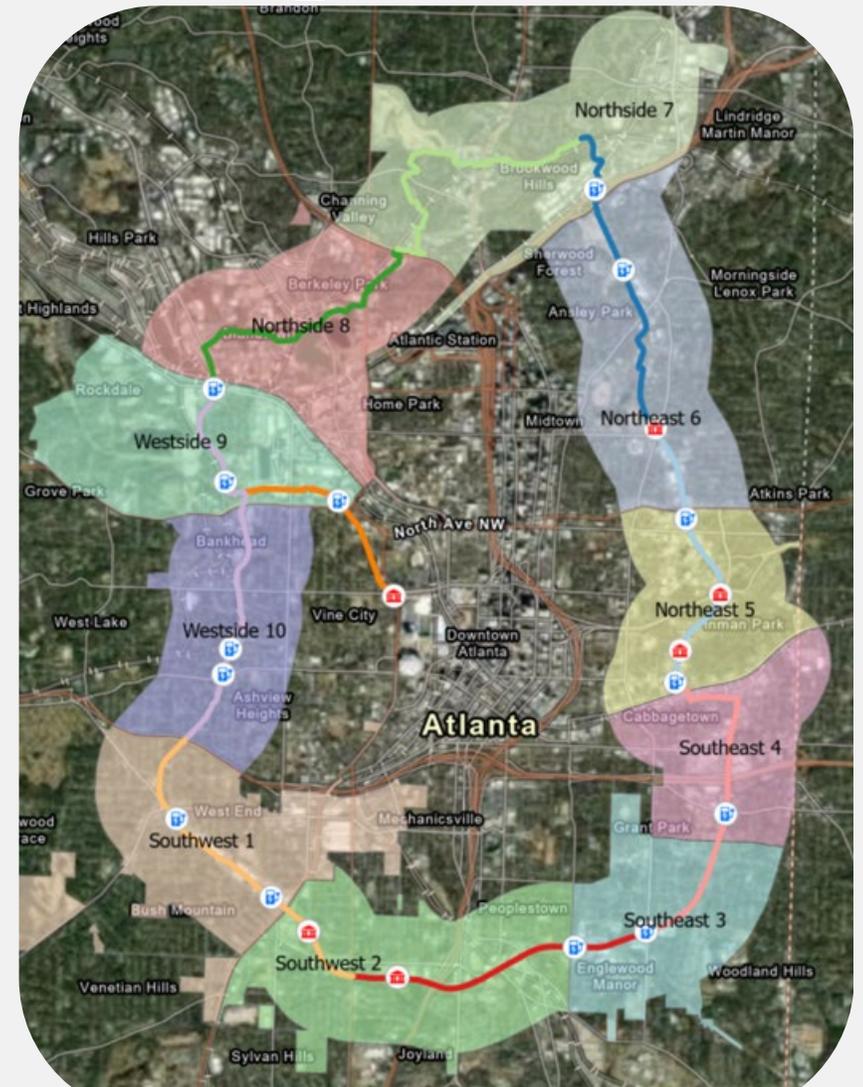
Leveraging Atlanta Beltline infrastructure and technology to create a smart corridor for catalyzing economic growth and solutions to address community changes that can be scaled city-wide.



Horizon 1 – Ahead of World Cup

Large and small hubs of technology clusters along the Beltline Corridor

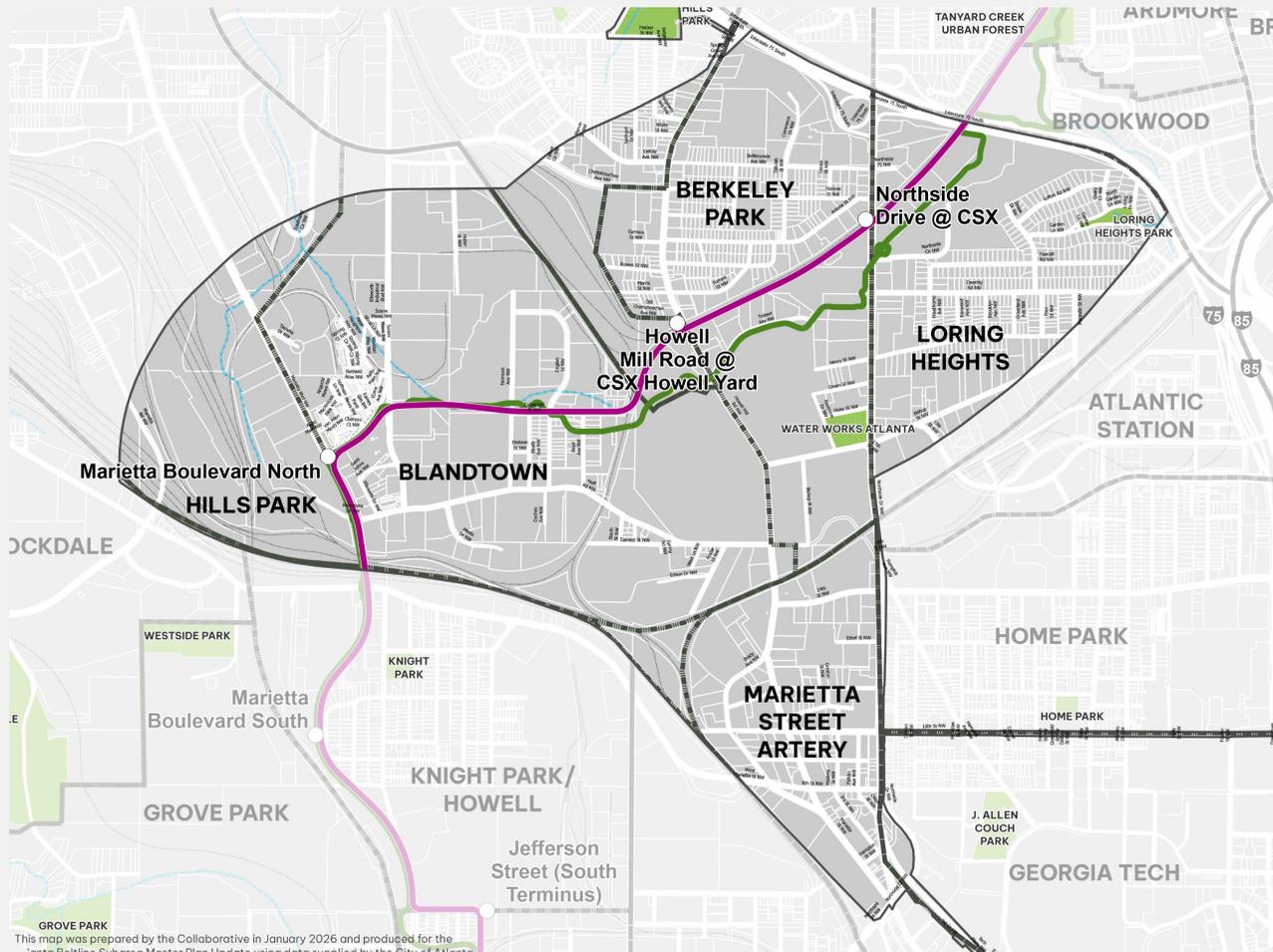
- Co-Location of Smart Corridor Technology with Beltline Marketplace locations (4 total large hubs)
 - Pilot sites/existing Marketplaces: Freedom Parkway & Pittsburgh Yards®
 - New Hubs/Existing Marketplaces: Allene & Irwin
- 18 additional small hub locations to expand wayfinding kiosk and public wi-fi zone technologies
- Site development and construction of the sites will get underway this month





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Planning Updates



• Subarea 8 Master Plan Update

- **Overview:** Update to the 2012 Subarea 8 Master Plan. Master plans serve as policy tools to the city focusing on recommendations around Transportation and Mobility, Future Land Use, OpenSpace, Affordable Housing, etc.
- **Final Plan Draft** – Final public meeting held in February to present plan recommendations
- Month-long public review and comment on the draft plan concluded on February 23.
- **Next Steps** – Spring 2026
- NPU approval and city adoption

• Historic and Cultural Resources Study

- **Overview:** Equip ABI with an inventory and guidance on historic and cultural resources on ABI owned/controlled property and assets
- **Recent Work:** Public workshop held in December to solicit feedback on what the public values and concerns for historic and cultural resource preservation
- **Next Steps:** Citywide virtual meeting to present final study findings and recommendations on **May 5**



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Spring Activities



StyleWriters Walking History Tours

- March 7: Thomas Taylor Memorial Skatepark (EST)
- March 14: Mayson Tunnel w/ TOTEM Mural (NET)

Atlanta Beltline Boomerang

- March 21: Pittsburgh Yards®
- *City of Kings: Atlanta* film screening

No Tables, No Chairs

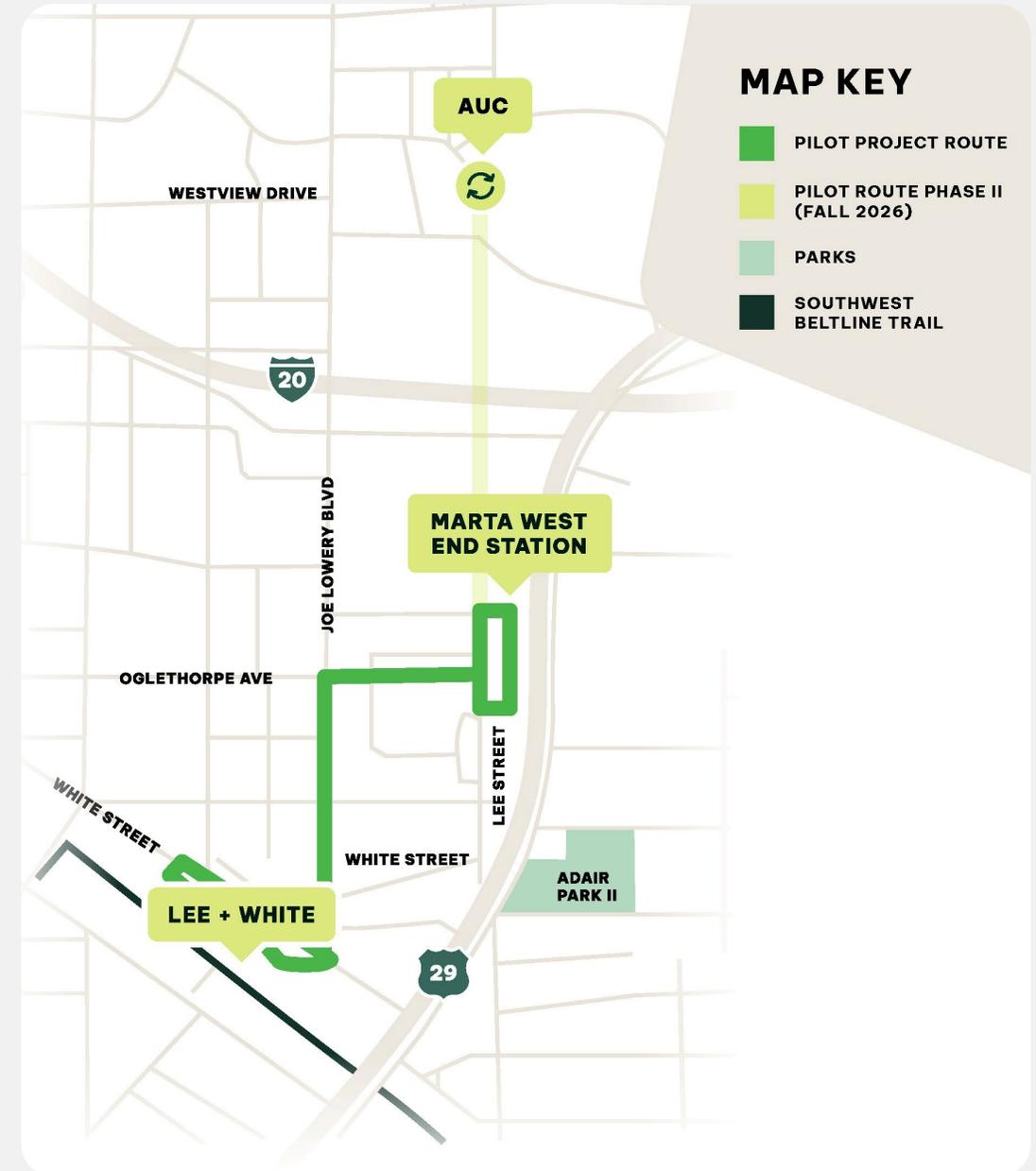
- April 25: Shirley Clarke Franklin Park



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ATL Spoke

- A free, autonomous shuttle service connecting Southwest Atlanta to the future
 - Coming Q2 2026
- 12-month pilot program
- Provides last mile service from MARTA West End Station
- Service: 10 hrs./day & 16 hrs./day on FIFA game days





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ATL Spoke



Rolling Stock: Karsan eJest minibus



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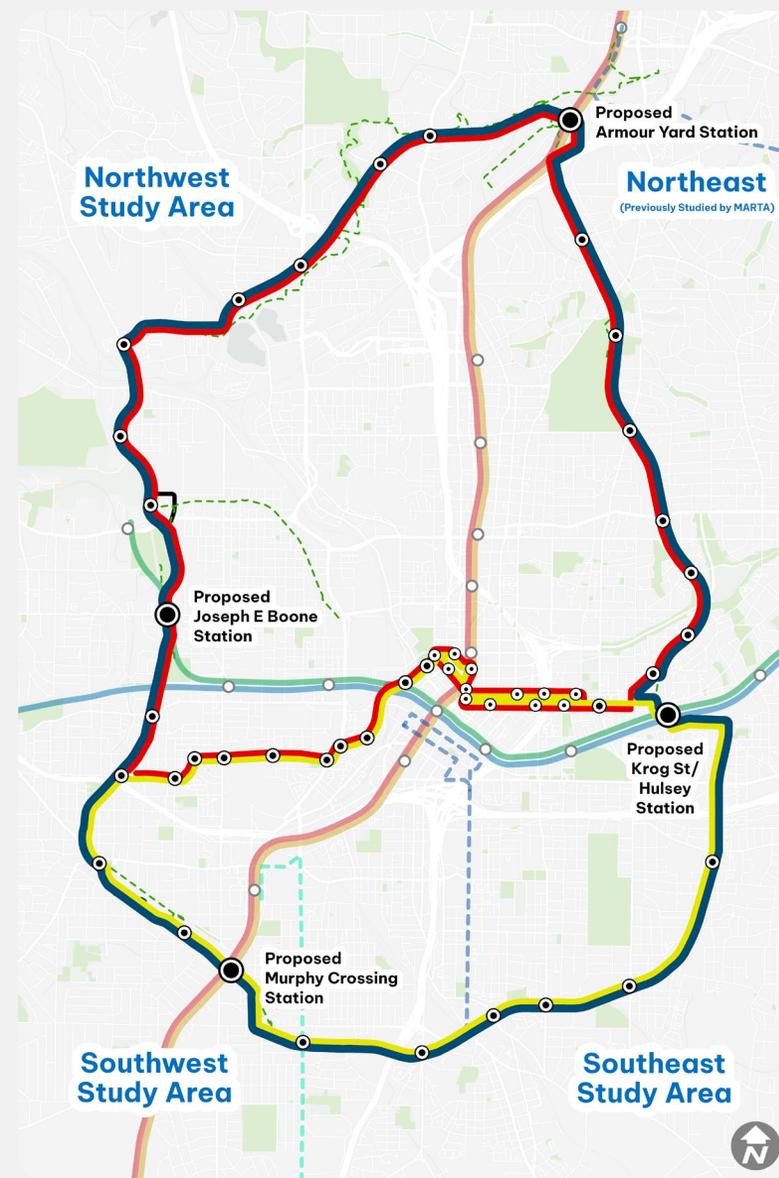
Beltline Transit Study

2023 Kick-Off

2024 Analysis of Alternatives

2025 Locally Preferred Alternative

- NW Quadrant LRT alignment and stations
- SW Quadrant LRT station locations
- SE Quadrant LRT station locations
- Service Plan for LRT along Beltline
- MARTA Infill stations





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Operational Reliability

Improved Security

Customer Service Excellence





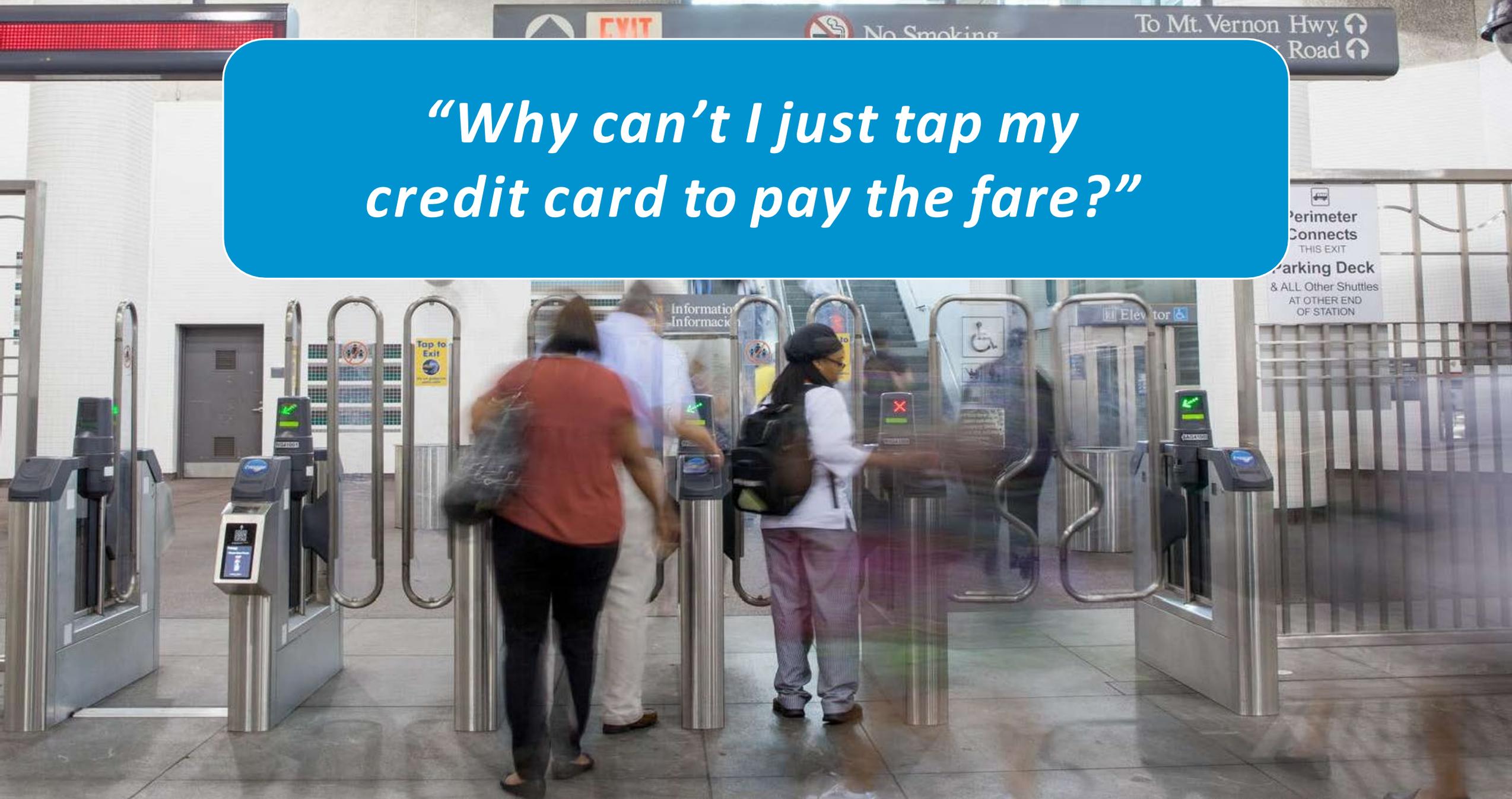
The Big 6 in '26



*“When will the new
trains arrive?”*



“Why can’t I just tap my credit card to pay the fare?”



a better breeze is coming

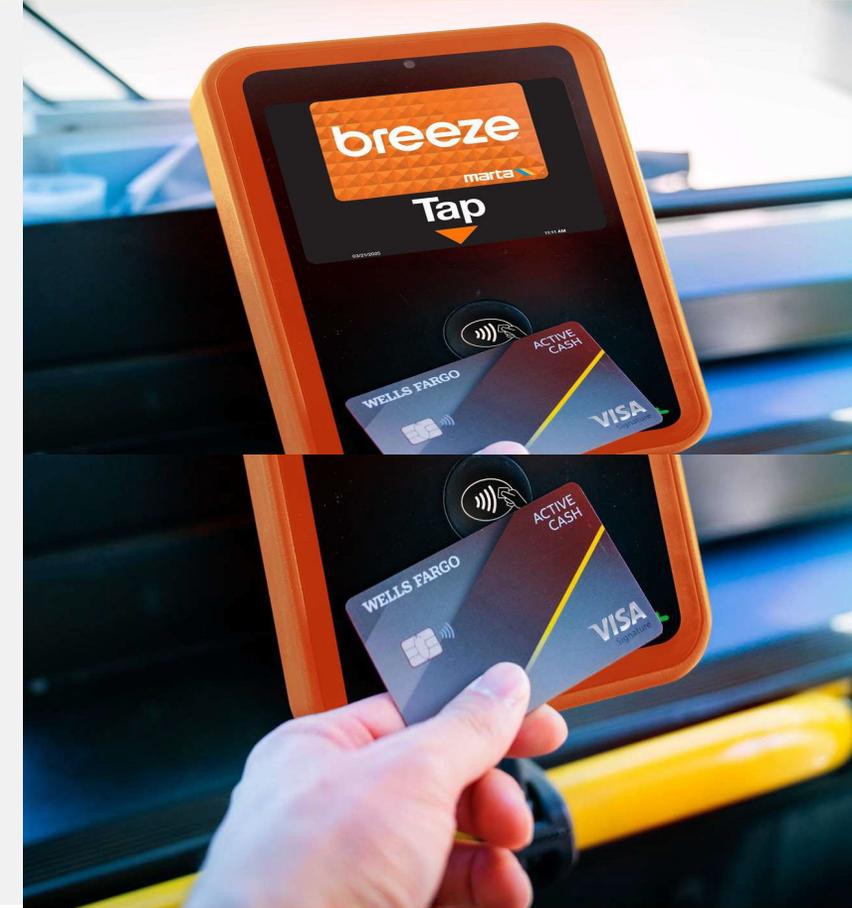


• Project Overview

- Replacement of current fare system with all new hardware and software. Highlights include:
 - ✓ Tap and pay with credit/debit cards, Apple/Google pay, or new Breeze cards
 - ✓ New faregates and TVMs at all stations
 - ✓ New fare equipment on all vehicles

• Project Status

- Station construction began Q3 2025
 - ✓ Construction underway at 23 of 38 stations.
 - ✓ Better Breeze launch planned for March 28, 2026. Old system deactivates May 2, 2026.



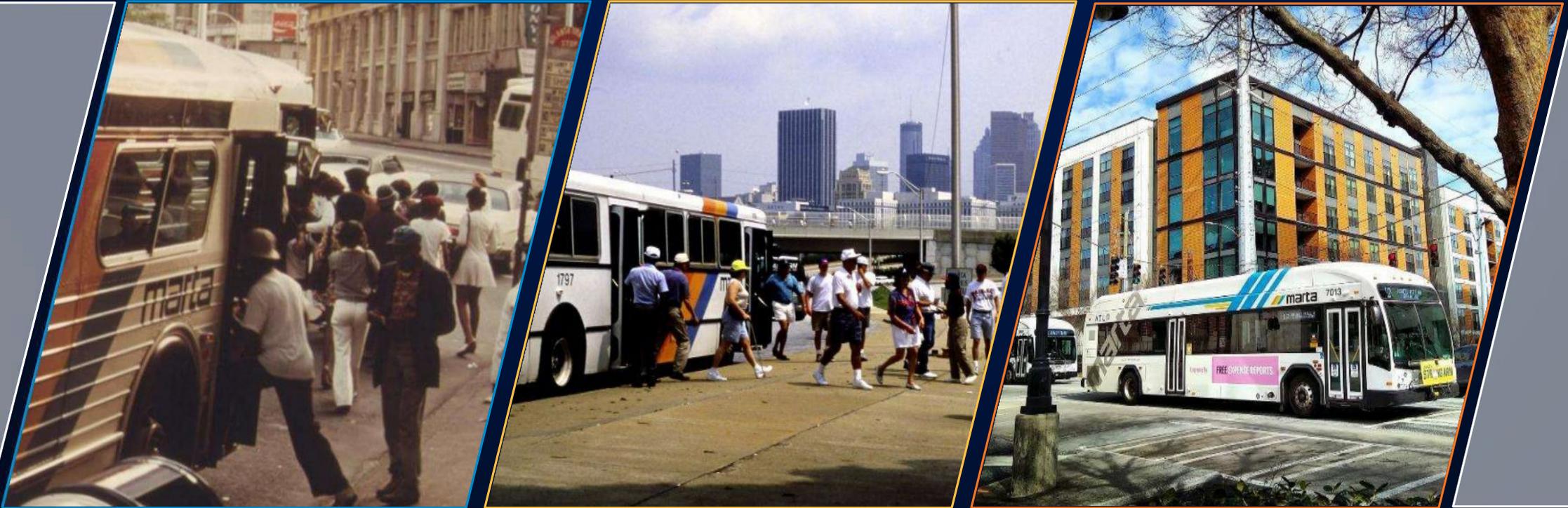
“Can my bus come more often?”





A Generational Transformation

The bus network evolved gradually over years of expansion and adjustment.



The NextGen Bus Network is MARTA's **largest and most comprehensive network redesign** since the Authority's founding.



Key Features of the NextGen Bus Network



More frequent services



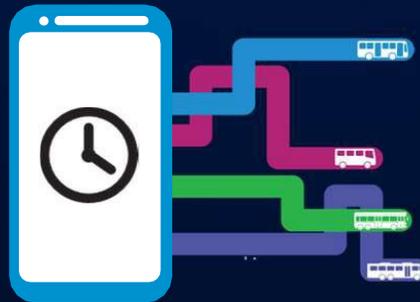
Consistent service 7 days a week



Simpler routes with fewer transfers



Timed transfer locations



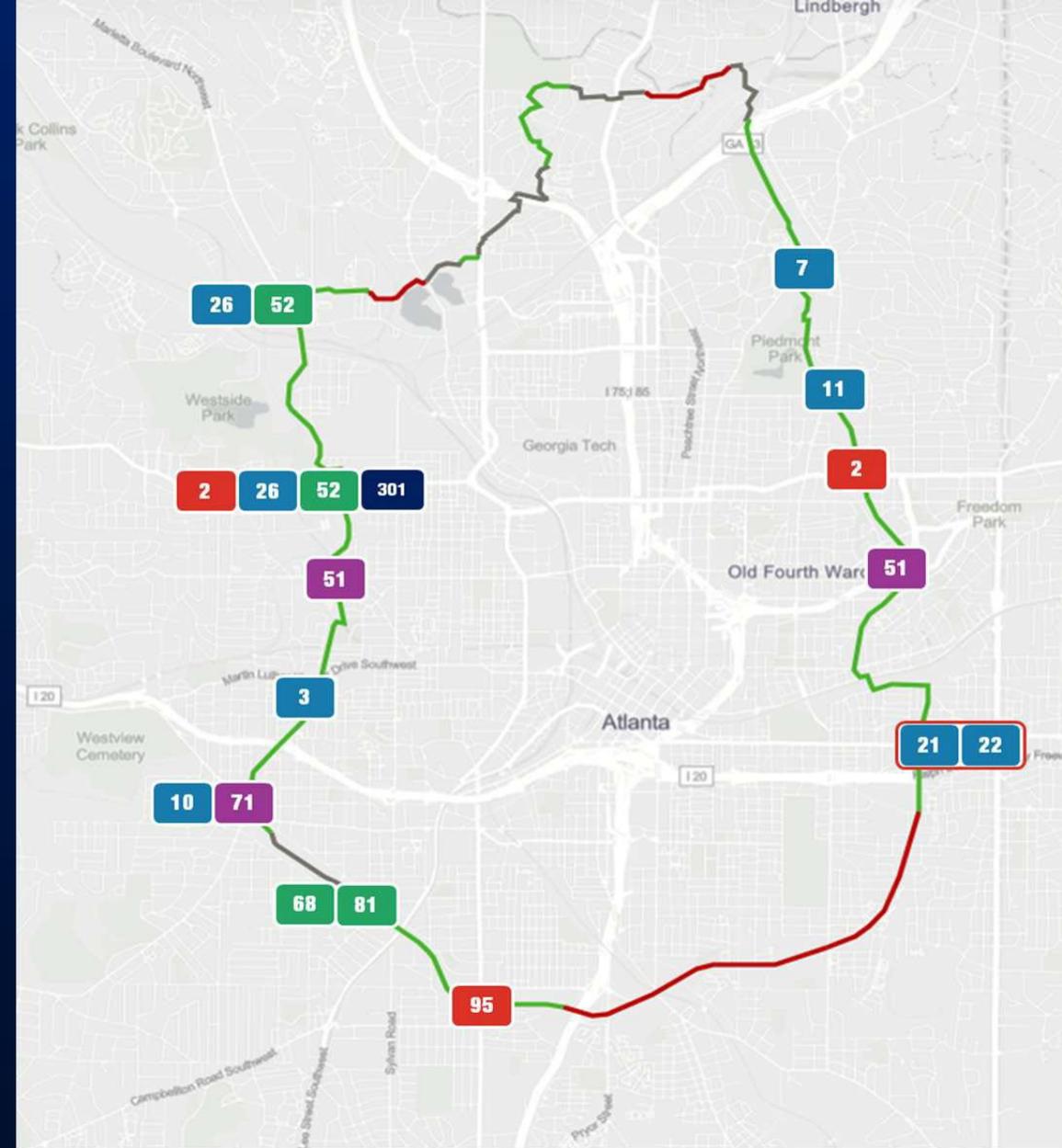
New on-demand service



Access to more places in less time

Beltline Connections

- NextGen Network is well-connected to open trail segments
- At least 14 routes and 1 Reach zone connect in 12 places
- Connections to service every 20 minutes or better at Ponce de Leon Ave, Donald Lee Hollowell, Metropolitan Pkwy, Joseph E Boone Blvd, Cascade Rd, Memorial Dr, and Ralph McGill Blvd





- **Launches on March 7, 2026**
- MARTA Reach app, website, or call to request curb-to-curb service within 12 zones
- Connect to MARTA rail, frequent buses, major transfer points
- Sign-up by downloading MARTA Reach App
- www.itsmarta.com/reach

Reach service in the NextGen Network

MARTA Reach will operate in the following areas:

- 301 West Atlanta
- 302 Kirkwood/Candler Park
- 303 County Line
- 304 Lakewood
- 305 Oakley Industrial
- 306 Fulton Industrial
- 307 East Point
- 308 Hillandale
- 309 Candler-McAfee/Belvedere Park
- 310 Cedar Grove
- 311 Gresham Park
- 312 North Fulton

Learn more
Scan the QR code to go to itsmarta.com/reach

A photograph of a MARTA station platform. In the foreground, a train is blurred as it moves past. The platform has a concrete wall with a mosaic of colorful squares. In the background, there are trees, a flagpole with the American flag, and a modern building. A blue rounded rectangle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing white text.

*“When will MARTA
expand its service?”*



marta ®
RAPID

The logo features the word 'marta' in a lowercase, bold, sans-serif font. To its right is a graphic consisting of three parallel diagonal bars in blue, yellow, and orange. Below this is the word 'RAPID' in a bold, italicized, uppercase sans-serif font. The entire logo is set against a white rectangular background.



Hank Aaron Drive, 2018



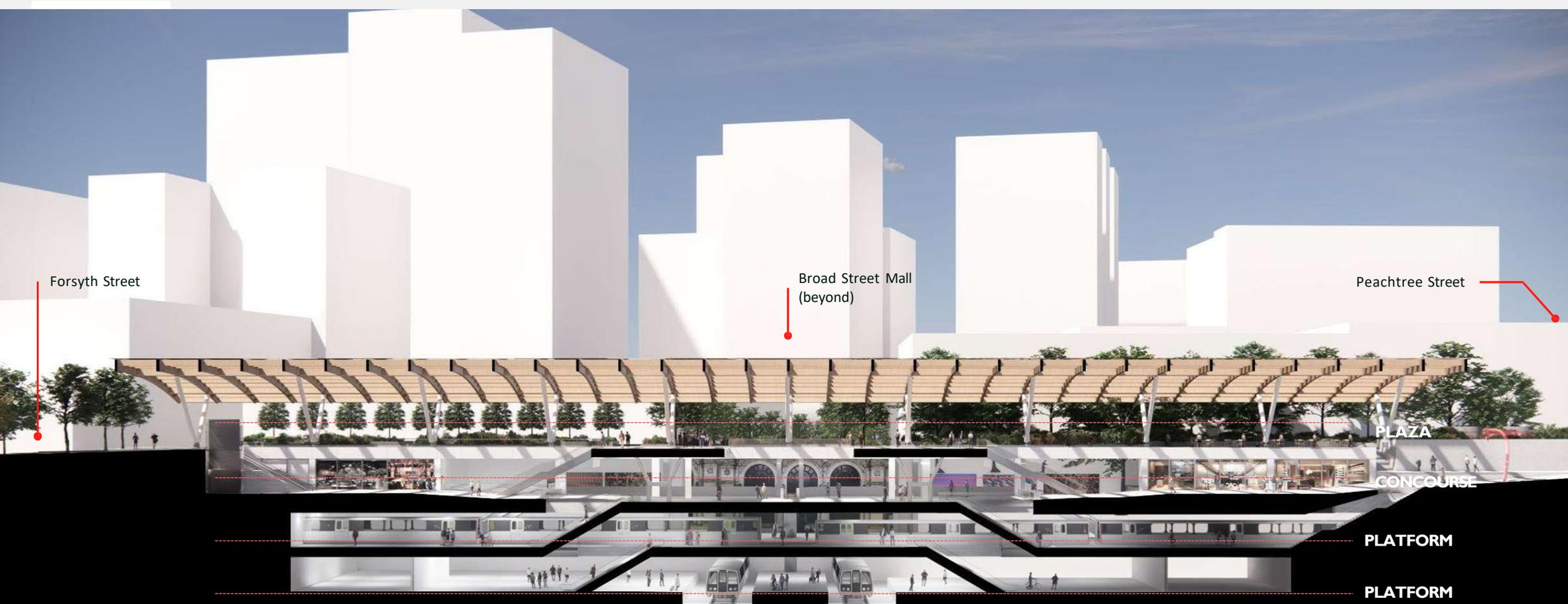
Hank Aaron Drive, 2026

A photograph of a MARTA train station platform. The word "marta" is written in blue lowercase letters on the concrete structure above the platform. A train is blurred in motion on the tracks to the right. The platform has a concrete floor, a metal railing, and a staircase in the background. The sky is clear and blue.

marta

*“Can you make the rail
stations more welcoming?”*





Forsyth Street

Broad Street Mall
(beyond)

Peachtree Street

PLAZA

CONCOURSE

PLATFORM

PLATFORM

Five Points Transformation



“Will MARTA be ready for the World Cup?”



Public Safety



- Year-over-year, overall crime on the MARTA system is down 14%
- Since February 2025, there have been no homicides and aggravated assaults are down
- MARTA Police Department exceeded its goal of a 250-member force by the end of 2025 and is currently **278** officers strong

THANK YOU



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Thank You!

