

NORTH-SOUTH BUS RAPID TRANSIT

Get on Board!



BRT ONLY LANES

separate buses from other vehicle traffic, resulting in faster, more efficient transportation.



TRAFFIC SIGNAL PRIORITY SYSTEMS

hold green lights for approaching BRT vehicles.



HIGH CAPACITY SPECIALIZED VEHICLES

feature WIFI access, mobile device charging, on-board bicycle storage, and digital information.



ENHANCED TRANSIT STATIONS

feature covered seating, improved pedestrian crossings, cyclist access and real-time schedule information.



MULTI-USE PATHS

along much of the corridor provide space for cyclists, pedestrians and other forms of transportation.



ELECTRIC BUSES

reduce emissions and improve local air quality.





Why BRT?

Chapel Hill Transit has invested heavily in the North-South Corridor, providing 10-minute peak service along Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd from Eubanks Park and Ride lot to Southern Village. The North South Bus Rapid Transit (N-S BRT) project will upgrade the current transit infrastructure in the corridor to further meet community and customer needs by adding curb-running dedicated lanes, electric buses, level boarding at stations, weekend service and bike/pedestrian improvements. The project is critical to our partners' sustainability goals and supports affordable housing and other future development within the corridor. N-S BRT project will increase transit capacity in the corridor, connect with the regional transit network and provide the opportunity to expand BRT to other corridors.

Funding

ESTIMATED COST TO BUILD:

\$155M - Cost is dependent upon the final design of the corridor and timing of construction.

FUNDING:

The project qualifies for Federal Transit Administration Small Start Funds, which will provide \$124M for the project. The non-federal share will provide \$31M (\$29.1M has been provided by the Orange County Transit Plan).

**ESTIMATED ANNUAL
OPERATING COST INCREASE:**
\$1.2M

Follow Our Path

Project Timeline



2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028

11/2021
Final Design
Commencement

11/2022
60% Design

09/2023
• 90% Design
• Small Starts Project Rating

05/2025
Final Plans and Bid Documents

03/2026
Request for Evaluation

07/2026
Construction Commencement

10/2028
Revenue Service

