Know your stations

Knowing key stations will help you plan. Check a rail map and the list below to fill in the blanks:

_____ is your **work station** – it's closest to where you work.

_____ is your **home station** – it's closest to where you live.

_____ and
_____ are **alternate stations** before and after your home station (list the two before if your home station is at the end of the line).

_____ is the last underground station on your route.

Rail Line	Last Underground Stations
R	Medical Center and Union Station
Y	Crystal City and Mt Vernon Sq/ Georgia Av-Petworth
G	Georgia Av-Petworth and Navy Yard
O	Ballston-MU and Stadium-Armory
S	Ballston-MU and Stadium-Armory/ Capitol Heights
B	Crystal City and Capitol Heights

More tips for route planning

Your work station can also close for emergencies.

Use the strategies above to plan alternate routes to work.

Service varies during rush hour.

When planning ahead, click **Options** in the Trip Planner and indicate an appropriate Arrive by or Leave at time to see service available during the time you plan to travel.

You can also plan with metro pulse.

Download the metro pulse app in the App Store or Google Play to plan trips and see real-time arrival information for trains and buses. Consider saving alternate routes to your **Favorites** so they're handy when you need them.

You can get personalized service alerts.

Go to wmata.com/ride/metroalerts to sign up for email or text message updates about closures for rail lines, stations, and bus routes you specify.

Planning tools automatically account for scheduled disruptions.

While the tips in this brochure help you navigate emergency closures, keep in mind that the Trip Planner and metro pulse automatically recommend alternate routes to account for scheduled disruptions like those related to track work.

You have help at hand.

If you get confused or stuck, you can always call metro customer service for information and guidance at 202-GO-METRO (466-3876).

alternate routes home

Planning for emergency closures on metro rail

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Plan ahead for emergency closures

If an emergency affects rail service to your home station, know how to get home from an alternate station or using another mode of travel.

If only your station is closed, take metro rail to an alternate station.

A single station may close for several reasons, some indirectly related to metro: a fire in a tunnel, a fire near a station, or discovery of a suspicious package.

Take rail from your work station to an alternate station, then take a bus to get closer to home.

To find a bus home in the Trip Planner, enter

From: Your alternate station

To: Your home address

Click **Options**, and under "Travel by" select **Bus**.

Click **Save** updates to see relevant bus routes.

Note the route and stops here for easy reference down the road:

Pick up bus route _____

at the intersection/street of

_____

in the direction of _____

and ride to _____.

If several stations are closed, know how to get home from the last underground station on your route.

Take rail from your work station to the last underground station on your route. Bus service might be suspended because of the weather, or limited service may be available. You can check through the Trip Planner.

In the Trip Planner, enter

From: Your last underground station

To: Your home address

Click **Options**, and under "Travel by" select **Bus**.

Click **Save** updates and then select the **Status** tab to see if relevant bus routes are running.

Note the route and stops here for easy reference down the road:

Pick up bus route _____

at the intersection/street of

_____

in the direction of _____

and ride to _____.

If bus service is suspended, you'll need to walk home or seek alternative modes of travel.

If metro rail is not an option, take the bus.

In certain regional emergencies, you may need to get home without using metro rail at all.

In the Trip Planner, enter

From: Your work address

To: Your home address

Click **Options**, and under "Travel by" select **Bus**.

Click **Save** updates to see relevant bus routes.

Note the route and stops here for easy reference down the road:

Pick up bus route _____

at the intersection/street of

_____

in the direction of _____

and ride to _____.

If necessary, transfer to route _____

and in the direction of _____

and ride to _____.

