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Welcome to a *special edition* of the **Better Bus Dispatch**—your up-to-date news source for Metro's **Better Bus** initiative!

Your Better Bus Fan Guide

We interrupt your regularly scheduled Better Bus programming to present you with this comprehensive “fan guide” for all our **upcoming Better Bus events**, featuring workshops, pop-up events, webinars, and more!

With your input, we've created the draft **Visionary Network**, the future bus network the region needs. By updating bus routes and schedules, this network is frequent, fast, and reliable, taking more people where they want to go, when they want to travel, and advancing equity in the region.



To celebrate 50 years of Metrobus and to gather your valuable input on the Visionary Network's proposed routes, we're hosting **50 events in 50 days between April 17 and June 5** and want you to be our special guests. We hope that you'll be able to attend one of our in-person or virtual events!

For a complete listing of events or to discover the draft Visionary Network and share your feedback online, visit wmata.com/betterbus.

Bus service in our region is changing for the better—EXPERIENCE it LIVE!





Experience LIVE!

Visit • Discover • Share





Launch Party!

Visit the Better Bus Experience LIVE! Launch Party for our standard workshop offerings PLUS special guest appearances by local performance artists, Metro General Manager Randy Clarke, local elected officials, and more!

@ THEARC Black Box

When:
Friday, April 21, 2023
3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where:
THEARC Black Box
1801 Mississippi Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20020
[Map this location](#)
Green Line to Southern Ave Station
Metrobus 32, W1, W2, W3

Experience LIVE! Workshops



We are hosting community workshops across the region as we roll out the draft Visionary Network! Visit a Better Bus Experience LIVE! Workshop, discover the draft new bus network, and share your feedback with us.

- **Interactive Stations** – A series of interactive stations and activities will introduce you to the draft Visionary Network with the Better Bus team, who is excited to hear your thoughts.
- **Food and Fun** – Relax and enjoy a DJ, games, treats, a visual notetaker artist, roaming photo booth, prizes, and a \$50 gift card drawing.
- **Kids’ Tent** – Bring your little ones for free face painting, balloons, treats, coloring books, story time, and more!

Join us for these free events with food, fun, and a first-hand look at everything a new bus network has to offer.

@ West Hyattsville Library

When:

Saturday, May 6, 2023
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Where:

West Hyattsville Library
6530 Adelphi Rd
Hyattsville, MD 20782

[Map this location](#)

Metrobus C4, F6, F8, R4

TheBus 13A, 19

@ Arlington Central Library

When:

Wednesday, May 10, 2023
3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where:

Central Library
1015 N Quincy St
Arlington, VA 22201

[Map this location](#)

Metrobus 38B

Arlington Transit 52, 53B, 62, 75

@ Turkey Thicket Rec Center

When:

Saturday, May 20, 2023
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where:

Turkey Thicket Recreation Center
1100 Michigan Ave NE
Washington, DC 20017

[Map this location](#)

Red Line to Brookland-CUA Station

Metrobus 80, H6, H8, H9, R4

@ Creative Suitland Arts Center

When:

Sunday, May 21, 2023
12:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Where:

Creative Suitland Arts Center
4719 Silver Hill Rd
Suitland-Silver Hill, MD 20746

[Map this location](#)

Metrobus D14, K12, P12, V12

TheBus 34

BETTER BUS EXPERIENCE LIVE EVENTS



Experience LIVE! Roadshow Pop-Ups



Unable to attend one of our five workshops? No worries —we are taking the Better Bus workshops on the road! Visit any of our Experience LIVE! pop-up events to explore the draft Visionary Network at interactive stations, share your feedback, and have all your questions answered by the Better Bus team. All participants will receive a prize!

Click below to find out when and where we will be in your community!

SEARCH FOR POP-UP EVENTS NEAR YOU



Virtual “Lunch and Learn” Webinars

Pressed for time or prefer to tune in online? Join us during lunch hour! Our virtual “Lunch and Learn” webinars will offer an opportunity to hear from project leaders from the Better Bus team, discover what the draft Visionary Network means for your part of the region, and learn about all the ways you can give your feedback! If you can’t join us, we’ll record these sessions for you to watch at a time that is right for you!



Click below to find out when you can join us online!



...and more!



Be on the lookout for the Better Bus team in other places and online and across the region—you may see us on your bus route or on social media as we roll out the draft Visionary Network and work to collect your feedback.

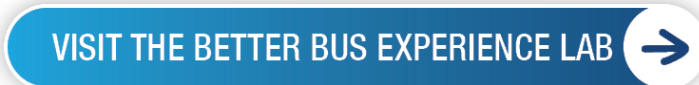
See us out and about? Come say hello!

Experience the Visionary Network Online!

Visit the Better Bus Experience LAB, an online space for you to explore maps and routes, play with a new trip planner, and share your input in interactive ways.



- **New Trip Planner** – Compare your trip on the current network to the Visionary Network
- **Comment on Your Route** – Leave route-by-route feedback on an interactive map
- **Map Library** – Explore an atlas of maps of the Visionary Network, including route profiles
- **Survey** – Tell us what you think of the Visionary Network and what it means to you. Complete the survey by June 5, 2023, to enter into a drawing for a \$50 gift card!





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