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

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Using your input, we've created the **proposed 2025 Better Bus Network**, which represents Metro's commitment to improving service and connections using the resources we have today. **Next month, we will present the proposed 2025 Network for your review and feedback.**

Starting in May, visit one of **Better Bus Discovery Tour** events to learn about the proposed 2025 Network, ask questions, and provide feedback. You will also be able to testify at a public hearing. We can't wait to see you!



You'll also be able to visit the online **Discovery Hub** to learn more about the proposed 2025 Network, use the 2025 Trip Planner tool, and explore the Map Library.

Better Bus Dispatch subscribers will be the first to learn about the proposed 2025 Network and how to share feedback—stay tuned!

Behind the Scenes: Route Renaming

Our customers have told us that our bus route numbers can be confusing—and we agree! In our latest Behind the Scenes video, current and past Metro team members walk you through the process we took to develop proposed new route names for the Metrobus network that we will share when we release the proposed 2025 Network.

Click below to watch!



Developing A Unified Vision for The Region's Transit

Officials representing the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors and the Metro Board of Directors have announced they would convene the two bodies to launch a new joint initiative to develop a unified vision for transit service in the region. The meeting will be held on May 1 and will continue months-long discussions about how to efficiently provide, fund, and govern public transit, which is central to the region's transportation, economic, and sustainability goals.

The planned partnership builds on recent coordination related to Metro's FY 2025 financial challenges. It also provides an opportunity for the region to act with urgency to fully address complex, long-term transit needs.

[READ MORE ABOUT THE JOINT INITIATIVE](#)



Tell a Friend About Better Bus!

Help us help your friends and neighbors be among the first people to learn more about the proposed 2025 Network and how to share feedback! ***This month, forward the Better Bus Dispatch to two friends.*** We're glad to keep you up to date through our Better Bus Dispatch, and we hope you will bring in others to learn more about this project too.

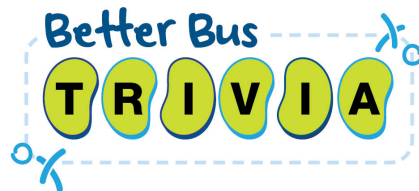
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Test Your Knowledge!

How well do you know the region's bus network? For bragging rights only... 😊

In March and early April, Metro gave the public a sneak peek at its all-digital, world-class new railcars and zero-emissions buses at the Fleet of the Future Expo on the National Mall. **Two of these new 60-foot, articulated electric buses are currently deployed on the Metrobus system—on which Metrobus route are they running?**



- [A. Route 70 \(Georgia Avenue-7th Street\)](#)
- [B. Route W4 \(Anacostia-Deanwood\)](#)
- [C. Route H4 \(Crosstown\)](#)
- [D. Route S2 \(16th Street\)](#)

How did you do on our last quiz?

On July 24 of what year did Metro install its first bus shelter? **The correct answer is 1974!** You can take a look at more Better Bus facts like this one in [our new interactive e-book](#) (and prepare for upcoming trivia questions).

If you got the answer correct, great job! Check back in the next edition to see how you did on this quiz.



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