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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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Join our scavenger hunt for the chance to win Better Bus swag!



ICYMI: The A-B-C's of a bus network redesign



Learn more about our commitment to zero emissions

Join the Community Mural Scavenger Hunt!

Visitors to our Better Bus Experience LIVE! workshops this past spring loved meeting our visual notetakers—artists who transformed their words into an impactful community mural. Haven't had a chance to dive into our community murals? Now is your chance to not only enjoy them but win some Better Bus swag too!

Participate in our scavenger hunt by checking out our community murals online and finding at least three of the following words or illustrations:

Fast

Frequent

Reliable

Weekends

Essential



To participate, click the button below and scroll until you find the 'Community Mural Desktop Wallpaper' section, then follow these three simple steps:



Find. Search for at least three of the above-specified words or illustrations within the five available murals.



Capture. Take photos or screenshots of your discoveries (you'll need three in total).



Share. Log into your Twitter account and create a single post showcasing your finds. Don't forget to include the [#BetterBus](#) and [#ScavengerHunt](#) hashtags to enter.

Follow these steps by [November 15*](#) and you'll be entered into our giveaway for a chance to win one of 10 Better Bus gift bags, featuring our Better Bus T-shirt, tote bag, umbrella, and more.

Good luck!

Win a
Better Bus
Gift Bag
A **\$75** value!



* By participating in this scavenger hunt, you agree to Metro's [Fall 2023 Community Mural Scavenger Hunt Giveaway Official Rules](#).

VIEW THE COMMUNITY MURALS



WATCH NOW! Unraveling the Network

Want to learn about the A-B-C's of a bus network redesign and what it takes to make a fast, frequent, reliable bus network that's easy to use? **Click below and watch us unravel the mystery of creating a better bus network for the DMV.**



The Future of Metro is Green!

Metro's Sustainability Director Rachel Healy recently participated in DC's National Drive Electric Week (NDEW) event on September 30 to discuss our battery-electric bus and zero-emission bus program. NDEW is the largest annual celebration and display of electric vehicles, with 100,000+ people in attendance nationwide.



We showcased our new 60-foot battery-electric bus and spoke with attendees about our progress toward a 100% zero-emission bus (ZEB) fleet. ZEBs produce no tailpipe emissions, resulting in improved air quality, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, and a smoother, quieter Metrobus experience for our customers. In addition to the environmental benefits, our new ZEBs will provide an overall better bus experience, with new features providing enhanced comfort and safety.

Metro is already one of the greenest ways to travel, providing more energy-efficient transportation for customers than cars. Every trip taken decreases vehicle congestion, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, lowers air pollution, and supports healthy communities. That means more people riding in a Metrobus—however it is powered—is already a sustainable transportation choice.

[VISIT THE ZERO EMISSIONS PAGE](#) →

Tell a Friend About Better Bus!

Help us help your friends and neighbors know what is next for Better Bus! 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.

The more people who receive this newsletter, the more people who can help make the bus better for everyone.

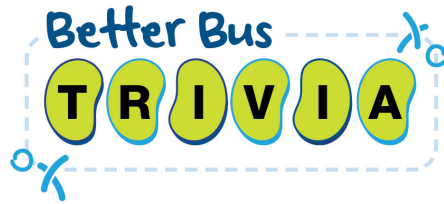
CLICK HERE TO FORWARD!



Test Your Knowledge!

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

Metro recently received a \$104 million Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant to upgrade which of our bus garages to support zero-emissions operations?



- [A. Northern Bus Garage](#)
- [B. Bladensburg Bus Garage](#)
- [C. Cinder Bed Road Bus Garage](#)
- [D. All of the above](#)

How did you do on our last quiz?

How many buses does Metro currently have in its fleet? **The correct answer was 1,580!**

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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