



Bladensburg Bus Garage RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT



OVERVIEW

As part of its Capital Improvement Program, Metro is rebuilding the Bladensburg Bus Garage. First built in 1962, the bus garage is one of Metro’s oldest assets. The reconstructed garage will consolidate three existing buildings into one modern, environmentally friendly facility. Construction is expected to be completed in late 2026. The garage will reopen with an expanded fleet, allowing Metro to provide reliable service to even more customers throughout the District of Columbia and parts of Maryland.



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENTS

The new garage will include several features designed to provide a safer, environmentally conscious facility for the community and Metro’s employees.

Environmental Features

With a goal of obtaining LEED Platinum certification, the project design will incorporate many resource-efficient and emissions-reducing elements, including:

- Space for future battery electric bus fleet and infrastructure
- Solar panels
- Rainwater harvesting for bus wash
- Expanded compressed natural gas (CNG) capacity
- Electric vehicle (EV) charging stations for employee passenger vehicles

Improved Curb Appeal

Visual and design enhancements such as community-inspired artwork recognizing area history, a new ornamental perimeter fence and exterior architectural finishes may be included.

Two New Entrances

Once the project is complete, the main entrance on 26th Street NE will be closed and replaced with two new entrances to improve safety and traffic flow. The new bus entrance will be located on Bladensburg Road NE across from Channing Street NE, and the new employee entrance will be located on 25th Place NE.

Onsite Parking for Employees

The facility will incorporate a multi-level parking structure to provide spaces for up to 300 Metro buses and 560 Metro employees, leaving street parking available to local residents.

Phased Construction A three-phase approach will allow the Bladensburg Bus Garage to continue operating during reconstruction.



PHASE 1

- Demolish existing maintenance facility
- Install temporary Art in Transit display
- Construct new maintenance facility, CNG yard and fuel storage area
- Construct new employee entrance
- Move bus operations to newly constructed maintenance facility



PHASE 2

- Clark Mills Foundry archaeological survey
- Demolish two remaining facility buildings
- Construct employee/bus parking structure
- Construct new bus entrance
- Designate space for future battery electric bus infrastructure
- Locate permanent Art in Transit display site



PHASE 3

- Demolish paved bus parking area
- Construct new paved bus parking area
- Project completion





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CONSTRUCTION LOGISTICS

Metro and its contractors will implement best practices to limit construction-related impacts to the community. Currently there are no anticipated traffic impacts or permanent lane closures on Bladensburg Road NE. During construction, many buses will park at a temporary lot on Montana Avenue NE and continue to utilize the operational facility entrance on 26th Street NE for fueling and maintenance. Metro employees will park at a lot on New York Avenue NE.

Construction Activity Timeframe

Crews will primarily work Monday – Friday from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Prior notice will be given if work must be conducted outside of the stated timeframe.

Parking

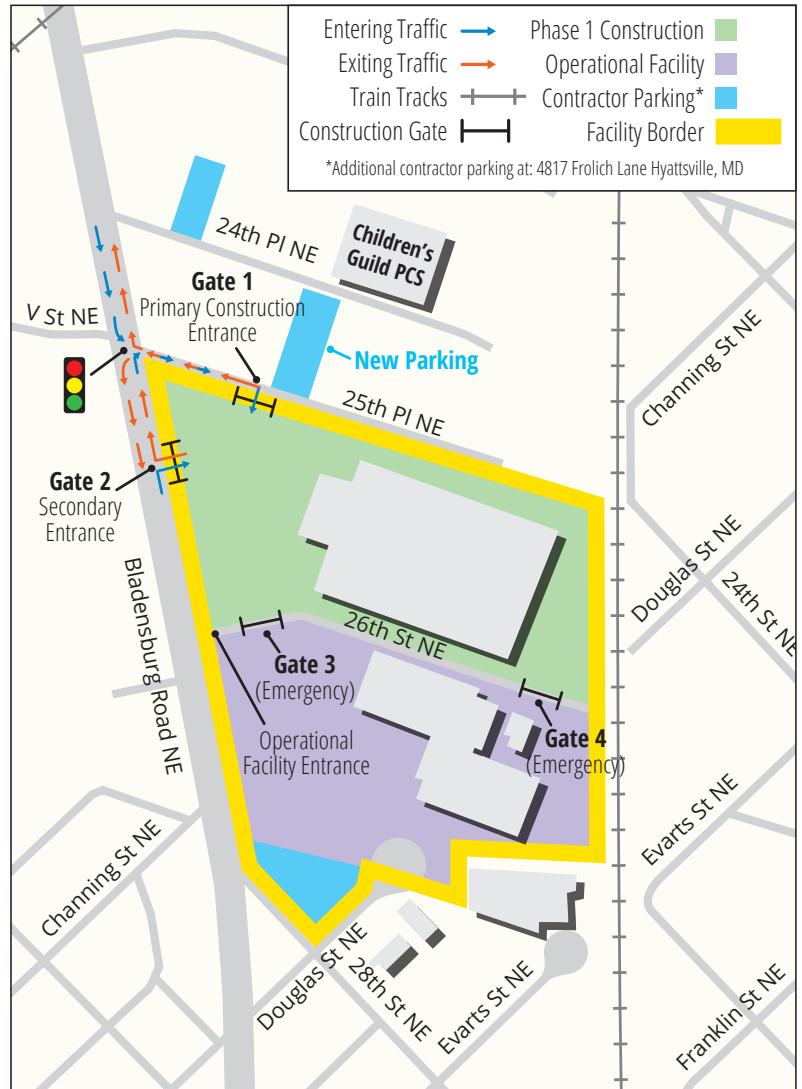
The project team has secured temporary off-street parking for contractors near the project site to minimize parking impacts within the community.

Locations include:

- Private parking lot on 24th Place NE
- Properties on 28th Street NE
- Satellite lot in Hyattsville, Maryland

Site Cleanup

Waste receptacles are stationed throughout the worksite and contractors, as required, will clean construction debris from adjacent streets and sidewalks. A wheel wash has been installed to clean dirt and debris from vehicles before exiting the worksite.



Phase 1 project site construction and traffic flow map.

TIMELINE*



*Dates are projected and subject to change.

