DDOT STATE FAIR

TRANSIT CENTER

FACT SHEET

What is the scope of the project?

DDOT has six (6) bus routes that end, begin, or stop at the State Fair Transit Hub. The Hub is a location where there are shelters and space for buses to pull in and out, but it is not a full transit center. Currently, this hub provides transit for both DDOT and SMART routes and is a stop for about 6,000 riders weekly. This location is one of the region's busiest transit hubs.

Additionally, this location is significant as it provides regional transit connections between DDOT and SMART buses, and currently serves two of DDOT's busiest 24-hour routes (17-Eight Mile and 4-Woodward)

Currently

On Tuesday, October 20, 2020, the Detroit City Council approved of the State Fairgrounds redevelopment which includes a new DDOT transit Center, and Gateway Shopping Plaza. The \$400 million redevelopment will bring 1,200 new jobs and entrepreneurship opportunities.

DDOT will engage riders and stakeholders in a series of workshops and public hearings to collect feedback during development. The transit center has the ability to provide riders, staff, and visitors a space that is welcoming, safe, and convenient with customer-focused amenities, and embodies thoughtful convenient mobility in the City of Detroit and Southeast Michigan.

Expectations

As a transit rider or stakeholder, you can expect ongoing engagement opportunities to meet with DDOT staff and give your input. Again, this opportunity will allow for input on location as well as rider amenities and more. Engagement will happen in four stages starting with awareness. DDOT will continue to provide updates to ensure the transit community is up to speed on where we are in this project.

With this being a multiyear project, there will be opportunities throughout the next two years to connect with DDOT and provide input and feedback.





Will this transit center replace Rosa Parks Transit Center?

No. The State Fair Transit Center will not replace the Rosa Parks Transit Center. Instead, it is an additional transit center for DDOT.

Is the location final?

No. The current outline of the transit center is a concept based on the existing service, destinations, and future improvements to come to the area with the overall project.

Will DDOT be hosting meetings to get my input as a rider?

DDOT will host a series of engagement opportunities to hear from our riders and stakeholders on this project.

How will this affect my trip?

Positively, we hope. While we work on exploring where the transit center will be located, we plan to maintain service from existing routes to the transit center for simple connections to be made by riders. This is an opportunity to improve the overall experience for transit riders. By providing multimodal amenities and a safe, well-lit and clean space to wait on buses all year round, we see this as an opportunity to ensure all riders, including our ADA riders, see true improvements to their trips through this facility.

What do you need from me as a rider?

We want to hear from you. In order to truly make this project a success, we will engage our riders and community members over the next two years from the beginning through the completion and afterward to ensure we are successful in meeting our goals of this transit center.

When is the transit center expected to open?

The overall project including the transit center is expected to open in 2022.

Next Steps

DDOT will continue to provide updates as we have them.

We will provide engagement opportunities, surveys, and other opportunities for feedback to ensure we're interacting with our riders as much as possible to have their thoughts and input in this process.



