



Summary of Metro Route Adjustments effective on October 31, 2010

To All Passengers:

Metro is adjusting routes and service levels to make the whole bus and rail system more efficient. This is necessary due to continued financial pressure on our budget, less available operating assistance and changes in riding patterns. The adjustments are based on a thorough operational and financial evaluation of the entire Metro system. The adjustments are designed to improve service for most Metro riders; however, we understand that some riders will be negatively affected. Ultimately, changes will result in transit that is financially stronger and better for the majority of our riders.

Buses will run more frequently over the heaviest used parts of routes, and less frequently over the lesser-used parts. Suburban service is redesigned to be more efficient and easier to understand with some new route names and numbers and fewer confusing route and trip variations. Some route segments and three entire routes with low ridership are discontinued. Most express routes will run fewer trips.

We thank you for your patience and understanding during this period of transition.



Route Adjustments

Erie County/Local Routes

Metro Rail: Sunday service hours will be expanded to run from 8 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at 20-minute intervals. There will be no change to weekday and Saturday service

Route 1 William: This route will continue to run between Goethe Loop and downtown Buffalo, with most trips serving Appletree Business Park on weekdays until 6 p.m. Service to Appletree after 6 p.m. and on weekends is discontinued. Some late night trips on weekdays and Sundays are also discontinued. Service will operate at 30-minute intervals throughout the day on weekdays. Weekend service between downtown and Goethe Loop will be hourly.

Route 2 Clinton: Service will run between downtown Buffalo and Fernwood Loop at 30-minute intervals. Hourly service will extend to the Bank of America Center until 6 p.m. via Indian Church, Mineral Springs, Union, French and Transit Roads. Service on Losson Road to Appletree Business Park is discontinued. Some late night weekday trips as well as early morning and late evening Sunday trips are also discontinued. Weekends will see hourly service between downtown and Fernwood Loop only.

Route 3 Grant: There will be no changes to the current route but minor schedule changes. Service on weekdays will run at 10-minute intervals during peak hours, 15-minute intervals midday and hourly after 8 p.m. Weekends will see 30-minute intervals. The last roundtrips on weekdays and weekends are discontinued.

Route 4 Broadway: Service will run between downtown and Michael Loop at 15-minute intervals, all day, on weekdays. Every 30 minutes trips will continue to the Thruway Mall. Service to Walden Galleria and Appletree Business Park is discontinued. On weekends, this route will

to Louisiana. Service on weekdays will operate at 30-minute intervals during peak hours, and 60-minute intervals midday and evenings. Service after 10 p.m. on weekdays is discontinued. Service on weekends will operate hourly over a reduced span between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Route 19 Bailey: This route will operate between Metro Rail's University Station and the Bailey-Abbott Loop at 15-minute intervals throughout most of the day on weekdays and 30-minute intervals on weekends. 19 B service over McKinley Parkway to the Lackawanna-Victory Transit Center is discontinued. A reduced number of trips will serve Dingens Street (New Buffalo Industrial Park). Some late night trips on weekday and weekends are discontinued.

Route 20 Elmwood: Service will run between downtown and Orchard Loop via Elmwood, Sheridan and Delaware at 15-minute intervals during the day and 30-minute intervals during the evening on weekdays. Service on weekends will also operate to the Orchard Loop at 30-minute intervals during most of the day. Trips to the Ensminger / Parkside area, and the Main-Niagara Transit Center (20 T), are replaced by service on two new routes: Route 35 West Sheridan and 57 Tonawandas.

Route 22 Porter/Best: This service is extended to Thruway Mall Transit Center and operates at 30-minute intervals during peak hours weekdays, and 60-minute intervals midday and weekends.

Route 23 Filmore/Hertel: This route will operate between Marina Vista Apts and Bailey Abbott Loop at 15-minute intervals during the day on weekdays and 30-minute intervals on weekends. To and from the Bailey-Abbott Loop, the route will operate via South Park Avenue in both directions. Service along Elk Street is discontinued. Some late night trips on Sunday are discontinued.

run at 30-minute intervals to Michael Loop or the Thruway Mall. A reduced number of trips will continue to serve the Village of Sloan.

Route 5 Niagara/Kenmore: This route is combined with the current Route 30 Kenmore and operates between Metro Rail's University Station and downtown via Niagara Street, Vulcan Ave, Tonawanda Street, Ontario Street and Kenmore Avenue. This route will run at 15-minute intervals on weekdays and 30-minute intervals on weekends. Service north of Vulcan Street, and along Sheridan Drive, will be provided by new Route 35 West Sheridan.

Route 6 Sycamore: This service will run between the Walden Galleria and downtown via Thruway Mall at 15-minute intervals on weekdays and 30-minute intervals on weekends. Service beyond the Walden Galleria, to Lancaster, will be provided by the new Route 46 Lancaster with 60-minute intervals, on weekdays only.

Route 7 Baynes/Richmond: This route will run between Forest Avenue and downtown at 30-minute intervals during peak hours and at 60-minute intervals midday on weekdays only until 6 p.m. There is a new downtown routing using Church Street, and North & South Division to the Ellicott Loop instead of Seneca, Swan and Washington to Amtrak Station.

Route 8 Main: This route will continue to operate over the current 8A route, at 30-minute intervals on weekdays and 45 minute intervals on weekends. Current 8B service on Michigan Avenue is discontinued. Also, some early morning and late night trips are discontinued.

Route 11 Colvin: This service will run over the current routing between the Tonawanda Industrial Park and downtown, at 30-minutes intervals on during peak hours on weekdays and every 60 minutes midday, evenings and weekends. Some early morning and late night trips are discontinued.

Route 24 Genesee: Most service will run between the Andrews Loop and downtown at 15-minute intervals during peak hours and 30-minute intervals midday. Service will extend to the Buffalo Airport at 30-minute intervals weekdays and at 60-minute intervals on weekends. Service beyond the Airport, to Wende / Erie County Home, is replaced by the new Route 27 Erie County Home. Some trips are extended beyond the airport to Holtz Drive. Current 24P service to the Transitown Plaza, and 24D service to the Cedargrove area, is discontinued. Service along Harlem Road to the Thruway Mall will be replaced by Route 26 Delavan extension. Service along Exchange Street to the Larkin Building is also discontinued with alternative service provided by Route 15 Seneca.

Route 25 Delaware: Most service will run between Orchard Loop and downtown at 15-minute intervals during peak hours, 15 to 30-minutes intervals midday and 30-minute intervals on weekends. Service will extend to Main/Niagara Transit Center in Tonawanda at 30-minute intervals weekdays and weekends. 25D service north of the Main-Niagara Transit Center will be replaced by the new Route 57 Tonawandas.

Route 26 Delavan: The current route will be extended to the Thruway Mall, via Genesee Street and Harlem Road, and run at 15-minute intervals during peak hours, 30-minute intervals midday and 60-minutes intervals in the evening until 11 p.m. Weekend service will operate hourly between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Route 27 Erie County Home: This new route runs between the Buffalo Airport and Wende / Erie County Home, replacing part of Route 24 Genesee and Metrolink Route 203. The schedule will include five round trips weekdays and four round trips on weekends. Passengers will need to transfer at the Airport.

Route 29 Wohlers: This service will operate over its current route. Service will run at 60-minute intervals on weekdays from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday service is discontinued

Route 30 Kenmore: This route is replaced by Route 5 Niagara and Route 47 Youngs Road, with improved service intervals along Kenmore Avenue.

Route 32 Amherst: Most service will run between Galleria Mall and Niagara Street via Buffalo State College at 30-minute intervals during the day and hourly at night. Additional service will run between Huntley Loop and Buffalo State, at 30-minute intervals during weekday peak hours Service will operate hourly on weekends.

Route 34 Niagara Falls Boulevard: Most service will run between Metro Rail’s University Station and Ridge Lee Road, via the Boulevard Mall, at 15-minute intervals during peak hours and 30-minutes intervals on weekends. Service will extend with every other trip to Amherst Development Park or the Audubon Industrial Park at 30-minute intervals during weekday peak hours and 60-minutes intervals on weekends. Current 34M service to Northtown Plaza will be discontinued.

Route 35 West Sheridan: This **new route** replaces portions of Route 5 Niagara and Route 20 Elmwood and runs between the Vulcan Loop and UB’s North Campus via Vulcan, Kenmore, Two Mile Creek Road, Ensminger Road, Sheridan Drive, Alberta Drive and Maple Road to Flint Circle. It will operate at 30-minute intervals during weekday peak hours and 60-minutes intervals midday and on weekends.

Route 36 Hamburg: This route will continue between Hamburg and downtown Buffalo via the McKinley Mall and will run at 80-minutes intervals weekdays. Service deviations to Electric Avenue, Autumnview Manor and Clark/McKinley Parkway are discontinued.

Route 206 Buffalo State Circulator: This route will operate on the Buffalo State Campus, and to Tops and Wegmans at 40-minute intervals on weekdays and weekends from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Route 207 Elmwood Circulator: This route will be discontinued in December.

Route 209 Medaille College Circulator: This route will run at 10 to 20-minute intervals on weekdays.

Route 210 Airport/Niagara Falls Express: This route will operate April through October at two-hour intervals.

Route 216 Gowanda/McKinley Mall: No change except for minor scheduling adjustments.

Express Routes

Route 60 Niagara Falls: This route will run between the Portage Road Transit Center and downtown Buffalo via the Niagara Falls Transit Center, The I-190 and Grand Island Boulevard. The 60B variation using Hyde Park Blvd and Buffalo Avenue is discontinued. There are two trips during peak hours in the morning and three trips in the late afternoon.

Route 61 Delaware: This route will run between the Main-Niagara Transit Center and downtown Buffalo. There will be two trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon. Service to North Tonawanda will be replaced with Route 57 Tonawandas. Transfers can be made at the Main-Niagara Transit Center.

Route 62 Parker: No change, except this route will run only one trip in the morning and one in the late afternoon.

Route 63 Riverside: No change, except this route will run only one trip in the morning and one in the late afternoon.

Route 40 Grand Island: This route will continue to operate between the Portage Road Transit Center and downtown Buffalo over the current route at 60-minutes intervals weekdays and weekends.

Route 42 Lackawanna: This route will run between Route 5/Odell Street and the Thruway Mall, via Ridge Road, the Lackawanna-Victory Transit Center, The Shops on Ridge Road, Southgate Plaza, and Union Road, at 70 to 80-minute intervals. Service to McKinley Mall, ECC South and Orchard Park is discontinued.

Route 44 Lockport: Most of this service will run between Metro Rail’s University Station and the CrossPoint Business Park at 30-minute intervals during weekday peak hours and 60-minutes intervals midday and evenings. There is limited service on weekends. Service will continue to Lockport hourly during peak hours and every two hours midday, on weekdays only.

Route 46 Lancaster: This **new route** replaces portions of the existing Route 6 Walden will run between the Walden Galleria and Lancaster on weekdays, at 60-minutes intervals. Service will run along Walden Avenue, Central and Broadway in a one direction loop. Route deviations to Olmstead Avenue, Transit Road and Como Park Boulevard will be discontinued.

Route 47 Youngs Road: This **new route** will replace Route 30 Kenmore service. It will run between Metro Rail’s University Station and the Buffalo Airport, via the current 30C route, at 30-minute intervals during weekday peak hours and 60-minute intervals midday. There is no weekend service.

Route 48 Williamsville: This route will run between Metro Rail’s University Station and the Eastern Hills Mall, via Erie Community College North campus, at 30-minute intervals during weekday peak hours. It will run at 60-minutes intervals midday and 80-minute intervals on weekends. Service into the Transitown Plaza will be discontinued.

Route 64 Lockport: No change. This route will run two trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon.

Route 65 Amherst: No change, except this route will run only one trip in the morning and one in the late afternoon.

Route 66 Williamsville: This route will run between the Eastern Hills Mall and downtown via Main Street, I-90 and the Kensington Expressway. Service into the Transitown Plaza is discontinued. This route will run three trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon.

Route 67 Cleveland Hill: No change. This route will run two trips during peak hours in the morning and two in the late afternoon. The 67B trip from Bailey and Kensington in the morning is discontinued.

Route 68 George Urban: No change, except this route will run only one trip in the morning and one trip in the late afternoon.

Route 69 Alden: No change, except only one trip in the morning and one in the late afternoon will extend to Alden.

Route 70 East Aurora: This route will run between East Aurora and downtown, with two trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon. One trip each peak will use the 400 Expressway for faster service. Service to Holland is discontinued.

Route 72 Orchard Park: This route will operate between Orchard Park and downtown Buffalo, running two trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon. One trip will utilize the current route over Orchard Park Road, the other will utilize a modified 72P routing and the 219 Expressway.

Route 74 Hamburg: This route will run between the Athol Springs Park & Ride or Herman Hill Road(North Boston) / Hamburg, and down-

Route 49 Millard Suburban: This route will run between Metro Rail’s University Station and Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital via Miller-sport Highway, Sheridan Drive, and Youngs Road. at 70-minute intervals on weekdays from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. There is no weekend service. This route will not divert over International Drive or Essjay Road.

Route 56 River Road: This route is discontinued.

Route 57 Tonawandas: This **new route** will replace portions of the current Route 25D Delaware and Route 20T Elmwood. Service will run between the Main-Niagara Transit Center and Ward Road and Niagara Falls Boulevard via Payne Avenue, Nash Road, in North Tonawanda, and along Broad Street, Hinds Street and Main Street in Tonawanda running at 60-minutes intervals on weekdays from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Niagara County Routes

Route 51 Military Summit: This route is discontinued.

Routes 50 University, 52 Hyde Park, 54 Military, 55 Pine Avenue: No Changes.

Metrolink Routes

Route 200 North Tonawanda: No change except for minor scheduling adjustments.

Route 201 Lockport: No change except for minor scheduling adjustments.

Route 203 Erie County Home Express: This route is discontinued. Alternative service is available from Buffalo Airport on the new Route 27 Erie County Home.

Route 204 Airport/Downtown Express: No change

town Buffalo, running 5 trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon. Extended service to Boston and the 74H variation are discontinued.

Route 75 West Seneca: This route will operate between West Seneca and downtown Buffalo, running two trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon. One round trip will utilize the current 75 H route. The other will begin and end at Bank of America on Transit Road and operate over Transit Road, Seneca Street and Center Road. Service to East Aurora is discontinued.

Route 76 Lotus Bay: This route will operate over the current route between Lotus Bay and downtown Buffalo via Angola, running two trips during peak hours in the morning and in the late afternoon. In addition, this route will run one midday round trip and two early evening return trips to Buffalo.

Route 79 Tonawanda: This route will operate between the Main-Niagara Transit Center and downtown Buffalo, with one trip in the morning and one in the late afternoon. Service north of the Transit Center will be discontinued.

Route 81 Eastside: This route will operate between the University Station and downtown Buffalo using the 81A routing via Bailey, Kensington, Grider and Ferry, running two trips during peak hour in the morning.

For complete schedules and route maps, visit nfta.com.

