

CLAYTON COUNTY HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT INITIATIVE

Overview

On November 4, 2014, voters in Clayton County approved a referendum to dedicate a one-cent sales tax for the expansion of Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) service to the County. Approval of the one-cent sales tax provides for the implementation of MARTA Bus and Mobility service, currently in operation, and future high capacity transit service in Clayton County. The Clayton County High Capacity Transit Initiative will explore different transit alignment and technology options to improve Clayton County's transportation mobility, accessibility, and connectivity to the Atlanta region and provide greater access to jobs, congestion relief, environmental benefits and economic development within the County.

Study Area

The study area includes all of Clayton County and portions of southeast Fulton County, southwest DeKalb County, northeast Fayette County, and northwest Henry County. High capacity transit service will be designed to connect existing MARTA rail service in Fulton County with major destinations in Clayton County. (see map on back side of page).

What is High Capacity Transit Service

High Capacity Transit Service is a system using premium transit vehicles that move more people, more frequently than local bus service. Features of High Capacity Transit Service include:

- Exclusive fixed-guideways and/or transit-only lanes
- Larger transit vehicles
- Fewer transit stops
- More frequent service
- Higher travel speeds
- New transit stations with passenger amenities

The Process

MARTA has begun identifying goals and objectives for the study based on data collection, technical analysis and public input/support. This process will define and evaluate a range of potential transit alternatives to best meet the needs of Clayton County. A preferred transit alternative will be identified to conduct an environmental assessment and more detailed technical analysis to prepare the project for future phases of implementation. The High Capacity Transit Initiative study is anticipated to be completed in 2018.

How to Get Involved

Please visit the project website at www.itsmarta.com for more information and updates on upcoming meetings to provide input. For comments or questions, please contact:

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