WHAT IS A TRANSIT HUB?
A transit hub is a centralized place where different travel options—walking, biking, bus, paratransit (MARTA Mobility), and mobility-as-a-service options (e.g., Uber and Lyft)—come together to make getting around easier, safer, and more efficient. The goal of the South DeKalb Transit Hub is to provide a safer, more convenient place for passengers to transfer between bus routes or switch transportation modes to reach their ultimate destination.

STUDY AREA
The DeKalb County Transit Master Plan (DeKalb TMP) adopted last year by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners first identified this part of the county as a potential location for MARTA’s first bus-to-bus transfer facility, dubbed a Transit Hub. The area is already functioning as a transfer point between bus routes, but lacks the physical infrastructure to make transferring and access to other modes an easy and comfortable experience.

WHY DO WE NEED A TRANSIT HUB?
The DeKalb TMP identified a number of unmet needs among DeKalb County’s bus passengers. These needs include a safe, sheltered place to wait for and transfer between buses, access to basic amenities such as Breeze vending machines and restrooms, and access to options like e-scooter and bike shares.
This study area is served by four major MARTA bus routes (Routes 9, 15, 74, and 186) and the Emory Shuttle.

These five transit lines, combined with the large number of shops and nearby neighborhoods, generate a large number of pedestrians as passengers transfer between bus routes and walk or cycle to the retail and residential uses.

### Potential Transit Hub Services and Amenities:

- Shelter from poor weather
- Seating
- Real-time bus arrival information
- Breeze card kiosks
- Restrooms
- Vending machines
- Bike racks
- Access to other transportation options like e-scooters and bike share services
- Other services as needed for the community

### THE FEASIBILITY STUDY

The feasibility study will consider location options for the Transit Hub within the study area and will recommend a preferred location. After identifying the preferred location, the next step will be to create conceptual plans and local bus service improvements to better serve the community and transit users. These concepts will not only include facilities and service enhancements needed for passengers on current MARTA bus lines in South DeKalb, but will also consider the need for potential future MARTA investments and system riders in the area.

### SOUTH DEKALB TRANSIT HUB DEVELOPMENT PHASES

The feasibility study will not result in a final, specific design of the South DeKalb Transit Hub. It will, however, provide the information needed to advance the project into design and construction stages. The general schedule of activities is as follows:

#### PHASE ONE: PLANNING 2019-2020

- Transit Hub Site Feasibility Study/Site Concept Definition

#### PHASE TWO: DESIGN 2020-2021

- Site Development
- Environmental Assessments

#### PHASE THREE: IMPLEMENTATION 2021-2023

- Site Acquisition
- Design & Permitting
- Building Facility

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