Everyday Equity in Action

"Better Bus Stops is all about creative solutions and thinking outside of the box. What really makes this effort unique is our transparency and collaboration with key partners, community and transit riders" - Gayle Gartner, Project Manager



Better Bus Stops

Project Details

This program improves bus stops by installing new shelters and adding heat and lighting to existing shelters. The program is focused on neighborhoods with a high concentration of poverty where more than half of the residents are people of color, including North Minneapolis; South Minneapolis; St. Paul's East Side; the St. Paul neighborhoods of Frogtown, North End, Union Park, West Side, and Summit-University; and portions of Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, and Richfield.



Project Lead
Gayle Gartner
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Highlights

- Funded by a \$3.26 million Ladders of Opportunity Grant from the Federal Transit Administration
- The goal is to add up to 150 shelters and improve an additional 75 existing shelters with light or heat.
- Metro Transit has contracted with community organizations to inform planning, decisionmaking and implementation related to bus stop improvements.

Achieving our Goals

Metro Transit seeks to make each customer's trip as comfortable and safe as possible. By doing so, the organization can both advance equitable outcomes and increase ridership.

Removing Barriers

Having a sheltered, well-lit and heated bus stop makes it easier for families to reach opportunities such as jobs and education.



About Equity at Metro Transit

Equity is "access to opportunity for all." Metro Transit already helps people to reach opportunities—but there is always more to do. Everyone at Metro Transit has a role to play in equity, every day.



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