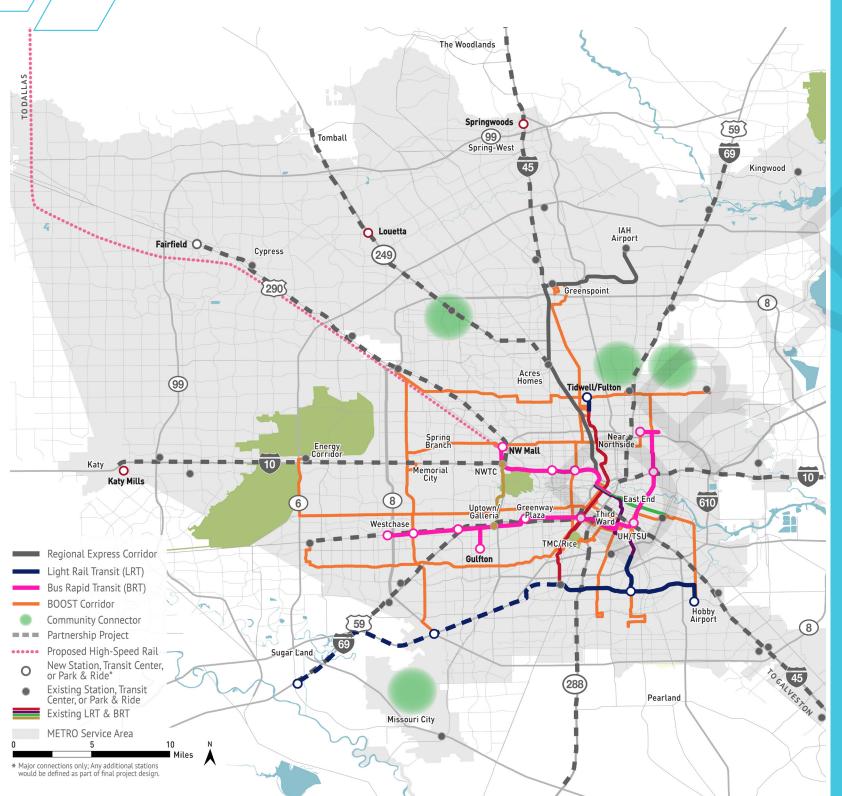
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# Moving Forward Plan A



### SERVING MORE PEOPLE, MORE PLACES

- Extension of existing Red and Purple light rail lines to provide direct connections to Hobby Airport, and to serve high ridership neighborhoods.
- Red Line Extension to a new transit center at Tidwell/Fulton improves bus and rail connections and provides a better experience for riders.
- Inner Katy Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Line Extension to Downtown provides a rapid transit connection between Uptown and Downtown with fast connections to the proposed High Speed Rail station at Northwest Mall.
- Signature Express Bus between Downtown, Greenspoint, and IAH Airport delivers faster and more convenient trips.
- The University Corridor BRT Line to provide rapid and vital east-west connection.
- Partnership investments in all major freeway/HOV corridors create new options for commuters and other regional travel to avoid traffic and enjoy faster trips.

### FASTER, MORE RELIABLE, AND MORE OFTEN

- New Bus Operations Optimized System Treatments (BOOST) Network improves speed and reliability in high-ridership bus corridors, reducing trip times for most riders.
- Service enhancements include new routes, later hours, and more weekend service to provide options for more people
- Increased service on more routes improve frequency.

### BETTER ACCESS & CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

- New Park & Ride in the Fairfield area creates trave ontions for commuters in the US 290 corridor
- New Transit Centers at Gulfton, Tidwell/Fulton and Hobby Airport create better connections between transit services
- New Community Connectors in Homestead, Aldine Westfield, SH 249/Seton Lake, and Missouri City areas efficiently increase transit access in lower density areas.
- Universal accessibility, bus stop improvements, and first/last mile connections make it easier to get to and from transit.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS & BENEFITS**

**12** MILES



LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT) EXTENSION

34 MILES



BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) NETWORK

**174** MILES



BUS OPERATIONS OPTIMIZED SYSTEM TREATMENTS (BOOST NETWORK)

**10**%



**INCREASE IN BUS SERVICE** 

160 MILLION



2040 ANNUAL BOARDINGS SYSTEMWIDE

## NEW FACILITIES, SERVICES & PARTNERSHIPS

10



**BOOST NETWORK ROUTES** 

4



**COMMUNITY CONNECTORS** 

3



TRANSIT CENTERS AND PARK & RIDES

### **SERVICE & ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS**









IMPROVED BUS RESILIENCY
SERVICE AND BUS PLANNING PA
STOPS

TEN
PARTNERSHIP
PROJECTS

UNIVERSAL ACCESSIBILITY



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### HIGH CAPACITY RAPID TRANSIT PROJECTS

**LEGEND** 

EXPRESS BUS EXISTING LRT & BRT

**IMPROVE** 

**MOBILITY** 

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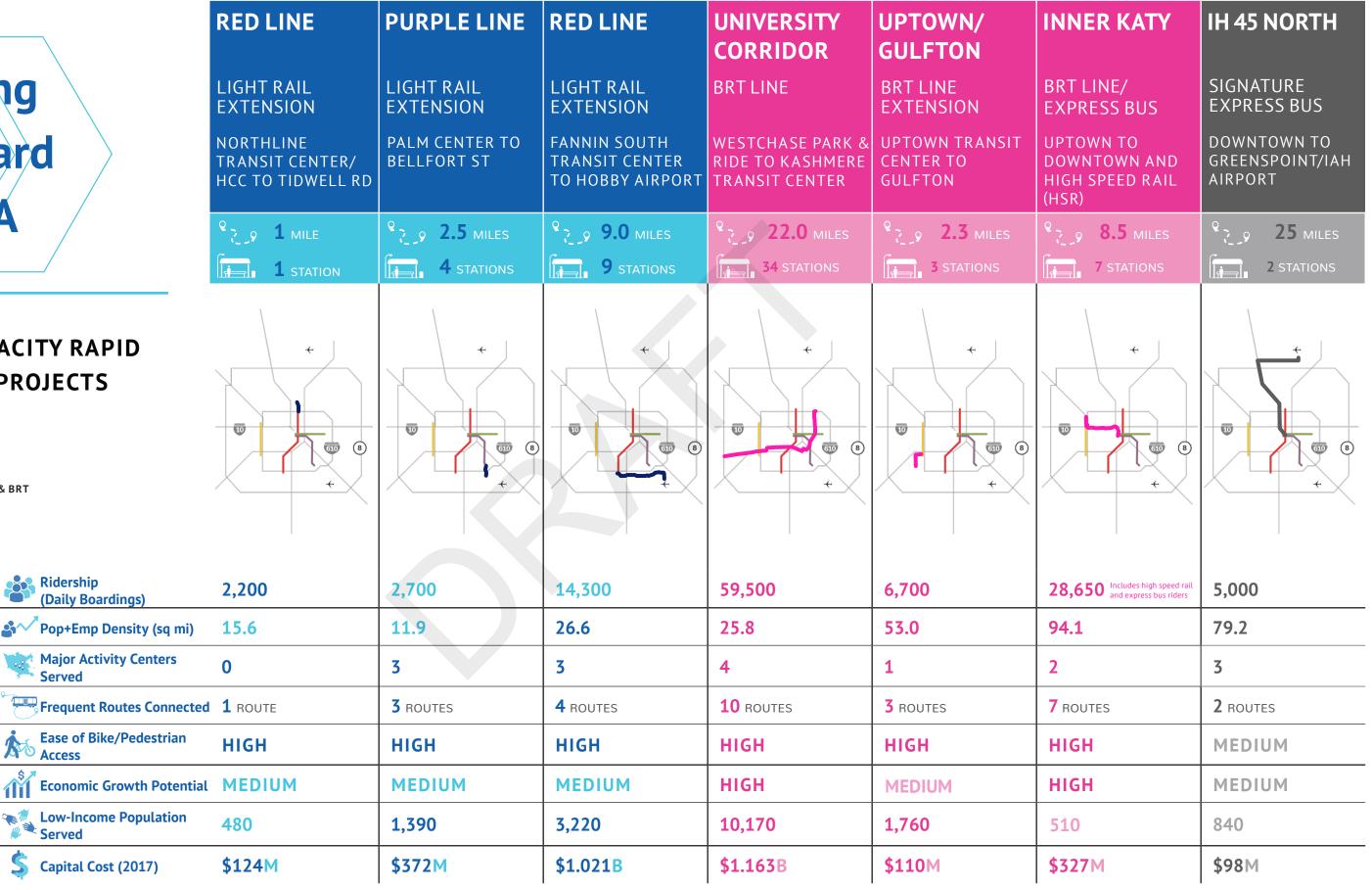
**SUPPORT VIBRANT** 

COMMUNITIES

**ENSURE RETURN** 

**ON INVESTMENT** 

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Note: Also includes BOOST Network, Service Enhancements and Universal Accessibility & First/Last Mile.

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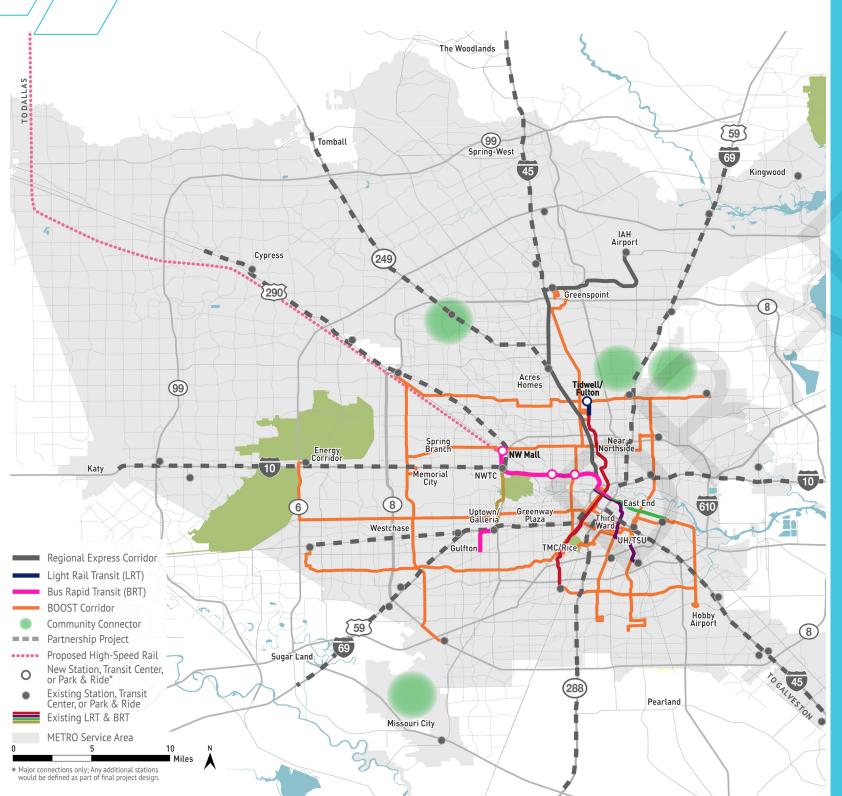
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Major Activity Centers



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# **Moving Forward Plan B**



## SERVING MORE PEOPLE, MORE PLACES

- Red Line Extension to a new transit center at Tidwell/Fulton improves bus and rail connections and provides a better experience for riders.
- Inner Katy Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Line
  to Downtown provides a rapid transit
  connection between Uptown and Downtown
  with fast connections to the proposed
  Houston-Dallas High Speed Rail station at
  Northwest Mall.
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## FASTER, MORE RELIABLE, AND MORE OFTEN

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#### **HIGHLIGHTS & BENEFITS**

1 MILE



LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT) EXTENSION

12 MILES



BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) NETWORK

**174** MILES



BUS OPERATIONS OPTIMIZED SYSTEM TREATMENTS (BOOST NETWORK)

10%



**INCREASE IN BUS SERVICE** 

160<sub>MILLION</sub>



2040 ANNUAL BOARDINGS SYSTEMWIDE

## NEW FACILITIES, SERVICES & PARTNERSHIPS

10



**BOOST NETWORK ROUTES** 

4



COMMUNITY CONNECTORS

1



TRANSIT CENTER

### **SERVICE & ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS**



**STOPS** 







ERSHIP UNIVERSAL ECTS ACCESSIBILITY



IMPROVED BUS RESILIENCY PARTNERSHIP SERVICE AND BUS PLANNING PROJECTS





**LEGEND** 

REGIONAL EXPRESS BOOST NETWORK

METRO SERVICE AREA EXISTING LRT & BRT

**IMPROVE** 

MOBILITY

ENHANCE

CONNECTIVITY

SUPPORT VIBRANT

COMMUNITIES

ENSURE RETURN ON INVESTMENT

TRONext GOALS

COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

	RED LINE	UPTOWN/ GULFTON	INNER KATY	IH 45 NORTH	BOOST NETWORK	<b>ENHANCEMENTS</b>	
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ard	NORTHLINE TRANSIT CENTER/ HCC TO TIDWELL RD	UPTOWN TRANSIT CENTER TO GULFTON	DOWNTOWN AND	DOWNTOWN TO GREENSPOINT/IAH AIRPORT			
B	1 STATION	2.3 MILES  3 STATIONS	8.5 MILES 7 STATIONS	25 MILES 2 STATIONS	174 MILES  IMPROVED STOPS	10% INCREASED BUS SERVICE  IMPROVED STOPS	IMPROVED ACCESS TO STATIONS AND STOPS
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Ridership (Daily Boardings)	2,200	6,650	27,300* Includes high speed rail and express bus riders	5,000	9,000* Increment over existing routes	49,000	IMPROVES ACCESSIBILITY
Pop+Emp Density (sq mi)	15.6	53.0	94.1	79.2	20.4	10.3	PRIORITIZES POPULATION CENTERS
Major Activity Centers Served	0	1	2	3	10	20	ALL ACTIVITY CENTERS
Frequent Routes Connected	<b>1</b> ROUTE	3 ROUTES	<b>7</b> ROUTES	2 ROUTES	21 ROUTES	21 ROUTES	ALL ROUTES
Ease of Bike/Pedestrian Access	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
Economic Growth Potential	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	нібн	LOW	LOW	LOW	N/A
Low-Income Population Served	480	2,550	510	835	124,000	204,370	ALL POPULATIONS
\$ Capital Cost (2017)	\$124M	\$110M	\$327M	\$98M	\$77M	\$25M	\$70M

