



Happy Earth Week! MARTA showcases its commitment to sustainability this Earth Week with two free, family-friendly events on Saturday, April 20, that highlight the Authority's environmentally conscious community programs and its continued transition to electric vehicles. The Rapid Summerhill Bus Rapid Transit project will operate on fully electric buses. The electric vehicle car show, from 1-4pm at the West End Mall is a great way to see one of the electric buses in MARTA's Fleet. To learn more about Bus Rapid Transit and how it works, <u>click here</u>. Below you will find more information on impacts to travel along the route.

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Construction Impacts:

Over the next month, construction will be concentrated along the <u>northbound & southbound sections of Hank Aaron</u> <u>Drive between the I-20 on ramp and Ormond Street</u>. Traffic will continue to shift to the outer drive lanes so that construction crews can work in the interior lanes. Please pay attention to signage and team members directing traffic as needed in this area.

Community members can expect the following construction impacts:

- Construction noise from 7:00 am-4:00 pm during working hours
- Periodic lane closures
- New traffic patterns
- Traffic detours and delays
- Asphalt paving
- ADA ramp improvements
- Relocation of utilities
- Periodic sidewalk closures for reconstruction
- Tree removal & replacement (in partnership with Atlanta Beltline and Trees Atlanta)

Weather and timing play crucial roles in construction and some allowances are needed to keep the project on schedule. Some jobs may need to continue after scheduled hours when traffic is at its lowest, but these jobs will comply with local noise ordinances. If weather delays occur during the week, the construction team may need to work during weekends. Please note any posted signage for potential impacts due to these changes.

Bus Stop Impacts

BUS STOPS THAT NEED TO BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION WILL HAVE BUS STOP SIGNS COVERED WITH CANVAS BAGS AND A-FRAME SIGNAGE MAPPING THE NEAREST STOPS. FOR RIDER SAFETY, PLEASE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO BOARD OR DEPART FROM BUSES AT STOPS THAT ARE NEAR ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION.

RIDER ALERT





Several bus stops along **Route 55** will be impacted by the construction of MARTA Rapid Summerhill.

Please do not use bus stops that are missing or are covered by the following canvas sign:



If your bus stop is closed (either missing or covered with canvas sign pictured above), please use the nearest open bus stop. The bus stops symbolized by black circles in the map at left will be open for the majority 2024.

For questions and information about the bus service call MARTA Customer Service at **(404) 848-5000**

For project specific information call the Rapid Response Recorded Hotline (404) 848 -3006 or visit www.itsmarta.com/summerhill.aspx



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Temporary Bus Stop Closures:

All bus stops directly on Hank Aaron Drive will be impacted by construction during this process. Please use the rider alert above which is also posted at bus stops along the route to find your nearest stop. As construction progresses, the construction team will shift traffic to the outer lanes to continue work on the inner traffic lanes. Please note posted signage as some bus stops will need to be relocated to accommodate traffic shifts.

Our team has identified the following stops that will need to be closed during most of 2024 to accommodate station installation:

- Southbound service at Georgia Ave, Bill Lucas Drive, Ormond Street, Vanira Avenue and Haygood Avenue
- Northbound Service at Haygood Avenue, Vanira Avenue, Ormond Street, Little Street, Bill Lucas Drive, Georgia Avenue and Fulton Street

If you are having trouble navigating the new distance between stops, please contact MARTA Mobility at 404-848-4037 or <u>visit the website</u> to reserve a free paratransit service. For more information on how to find your nearest

open bus stop, please visit the <u>MARTA Interactive System Map</u>, plan your route on the Breeze mobile 2.0 application or call the customer service team at (404) 848-5000.

Businesses on the BRT:





BOCA Summerhill is a neighborhood Mexican restaurant known for its vibrant atmosphere, welcoming patio, and authentic cuisine. Located in the heart of Georgia Avenue, the restaurant offers a menu that combines traditional Mexican flavors with Tex-Mex favorites. BOCA has a full bar and offers a selection of refreshing margaritas and cocktails, perfect for pairing with your meal or enjoying on their patio. The restaurant's cozy communal space makes it an ideal spot to gather with friends and family, creating memorable moments over delicious food and drinks. BOCA is a must-visit destination for families and anyone looking to experience authentic Mexican cuisine in a welcoming and vibrant setting. BOCA will be steps from the new Summerhill Rapid line on Hank Aaron Drive.

If you would like your business featured in our future newsletters, please contact the Rapid Response Team at RapidSummerhill@itsmarta.com.

On-Street Parking Impacts:

'No parking' signs have been placed along Hank Aaron Drive to prepare for future resurfacing. Residents and guests in the area are advised to use private driveways, alleyways behind their homes or adjacent side streets. Vehicles parked in the outer lanes during working hours will be towed at the owner's expense. Please note all posted parking signage when choosing a parking spot. Non-metered on street parking spots will be closed in the following locations:

- Crumley Street between Hank Aaron Drive and Fraser Street
- Glenn Street between Hank Aaron Drive and Fraser Street
- Hank Aaron Drive between Fulton Street and McDonough Boulevard
- The intersection of Hank Aaron Drive and McDonough Boulevard north of the railroad tracks
- The intersection of Mitchell Street and Ted Turner Drive

Find Us in the Community:

The project team will be at the following events over the next month to hear from the community or share more information about Rapid Summerhill. If you would like the team to join your community event, please reach out with the details of your event to RapidSummerhill@itsmarta.com.

- 4/27/24: Move for Grady
- 5/6/24: Organized Neighbors of Summerhill Meeting
- 5/11/24: Bike the Route Event with Atlanta Cycling Festival (RSVP HERE)
- 5/13/24: NPU-V Meeting

Additional Information:

There are several ways to find more information about the project!

<u>Visit our website</u> | Email the Rapid Response Team at <u>RapidSummerhill@itsmarta.com</u> | Call our recorded hotline at (404) 848-3006 | Follow Marta Socials below

Sincerely!

The Summerhill Rapid Response Team

















