

**MetroHealth Line Bus Rapid Transit project**  
**Cleveland, Ohio**  
**Small Starts Project Development**  
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The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) proposes to implement an approximately 4-mile BRT service that would connect Downtown Cleveland with five separate neighborhoods along the West 25<sup>th</sup> Street corridor in Cleveland, with service options to potentially include branches into Cuyahoga County. GCRTA proposes to develop peak-hour bus lanes, and enhance the traffic signal system to create faster more efficient service, as well as constructing branded stations with BRT features. At this time, the number and location of stations is still being determined. The Project's capital cost estimate at present is \$50 million, with GCRTA anticipating seeking approximately \$20 million in Small Starts funding.

GCRTA believes the project would improve frequency and accessibility of service, enhance regional connections for those in the corridor, improve pedestrian safety, and reduce congestion in the corridor. GCRTA also believes the project would promote long term, equitable economic development along the West 25th Street corridor by encouraging investment around transit facilities.

A locally preferred alternative (LPA) was originally selected in July 2015. It was reaffirmed and subsequently adopted into fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan in February 2022. GCRTA anticipates completing the environmental review process in June 2023, receiving a Small Starts Grant Agreement in late 2024, and beginning service in late 2026.