



## Metcalfe Avenue/Shawnee Mission Parkway Transit Corridor

A Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant will finance transit investments along Metcalfe Avenue and Shawnee Mission Parkway, supporting the urban corridor network identified in the Smart Moves transit vision. This network focuses on high-demand/high-capacity urban transit corridors which present opportunities for revitalization, reinvestment, and increased levels of population and employment density.

The Metcalfe/Shawnee Mission Parkway Transit Corridor runs from the Rosana Square park-and-ride located at 119<sup>th</sup> Street and Metcalfe Avenue, proceeding north on Metcalfe Avenue to Martway Street and then generally goes east on Martway Street, Johnson Drive, and Shawnee Mission Parkway, respectively, into Kansas City, Mo. The project will include:

- eighteen transit stations;
- two park-and-ride facilities;
- pedestrian access improvements along Metcalfe Avenue from 87<sup>th</sup> Street to College Boulevard;
- pedestrian access improvements at Broadmoor and Martway;
- a transit signal priority system, which will improve bus movement, timing and efficiency; and
- a transit center adjacent to Mission's downtown, to support existing transit service and future local bus service.

### The infrastructure improvements will:

- Make transit service more attractive to customers who currently use the bus;
- Attract people who do not yet use transit; and
- Connect transit to where people work and shop.

This project is an investment in our overall transportation system. In the future, it can help improve capacity, reduce travel delays, and ease congestion. There is also a direct relationship between providing transit service infrastructure and supporting economic development and redevelopment in our region. This project will play a vital role in the redevelopment and revitalization along Metcalfe Avenue and Shawnee Mission Parkway.

The Metcalfe/Shawnee Mission Parkway corridor received \$10.7 million of a \$50 million regional TIGER Grant. TIGER funds will support transit infrastructure improvements. It is coordinated by the:

- Mid-America Regional Council,
- Johnson County Transit,
- City of Mission,
- City of Overland Park, and
- City of Roeland Park.



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## Planned Amenities

### Transit Stations

Enhanced transit stations will include high-quality finishes, enhanced lighting, unique branding to distinguish enhanced service from local service and kiosks with digital message boards.

### Park-and-Ride Facilities

Investments at park-and-ride lots will include monument signage, kiosks with route and schedule information, with digital message boards.

### Pedestrian Mobility Improvements

A pedestrian corridor, located along Metcalf Avenue in Overland Park, will connect four of the enhanced stations. Amenities include sidewalks, crosswalks, bike-hike trails, and landscaping. Pedestrian improvements and roadway improvements in the City of Mission will be made at Martway and Broadmoor in the area of the Transit Station.



*Transit Station Example, Courtesy Mid-America Regional Council*

### Traffic Signal Priority

The traffic signal priority system will allow transit vehicles greater ability to adhere to schedules by adjusting signal timing

### Mission Transit Center

Designated as a transit center in the City of Mission's *Eastern Gateway Streetscape Plan*, the Transit Center is adjacent to Mission's downtown area. It will support existing transit service as well as planned enhanced service, and future local bus service.

## Project Schedule

Engineering and design commence	October 2010
Conduct public involvement activities	January - June 2011
Complete design/begin bidding process	July - November 2011
Begin construction	Late 2011 - Early 2012
Complete construction	November 2012

For more information on the project, the TIGER Grant and The Jo, go online to:  
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