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## Public Invited to Informational Sessions on Transformation of DART

**What:** The public is invited to a series of 11 informational sessions in November to learn about the transformation of the Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART).

**Why:** A redesigned and expanded network of bus routes will go into effect Friday, November 23. This includes a 13 percent overall increase in service, the launch of two new routes, some routes being rerouted, others having significant schedule changes, and, in a few cases, routes being partially or wholly discontinued. New schedules are now available online at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com).

Also on Friday, November 23, the new DART Central Station at 620 Cherry Street will open to bus traffic. The new station replaces the decades-old Walnut Street Transit Mall as the primary transfer location in downtown Des Moines, as well as the customer service office at 1100 DART Way.

**Meetings:** Each session will include a presentation on the service changes taking effect in November and on the use of DART Central Station. A group question-and-answer session will be held, followed by a time for people to talk with staff members individually.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m., Forest Avenue Library, 1326 Forest Avenue, Des Moines
- 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., South Side Community Center, 100 Payton Avenue, Des Moines

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

- 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Des Moines Central Library, 1000 Grand Avenue, Des Moines
- 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., West Des Moines Library, 4000 Mills Civic Pkwy., West Des Moines

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

- 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., Des Moines Central Library, 1000 Grand Avenue, Des Moines
- 4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Franklin Avenue Library, 5000 Franklin Avenue, Des Moines
- 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., East Side Library, 2559 Hubbell Avenue, Des Moines

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., North Side Library, 3516 Fifth Avenue, Des Moines
- 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., North Side Community Center, 100 East Euclid Avenue, Des Moines

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., Des Moines Central Library, 1000 Grand Avenue, Des Moines
- 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., West Des Moines Community Center, 217 5<sup>th</sup> Street, West Des Moines

**Services:** Language and transportation services are available at meetings upon request. For requests, please call DART Schedule Information at 515.283.8100.