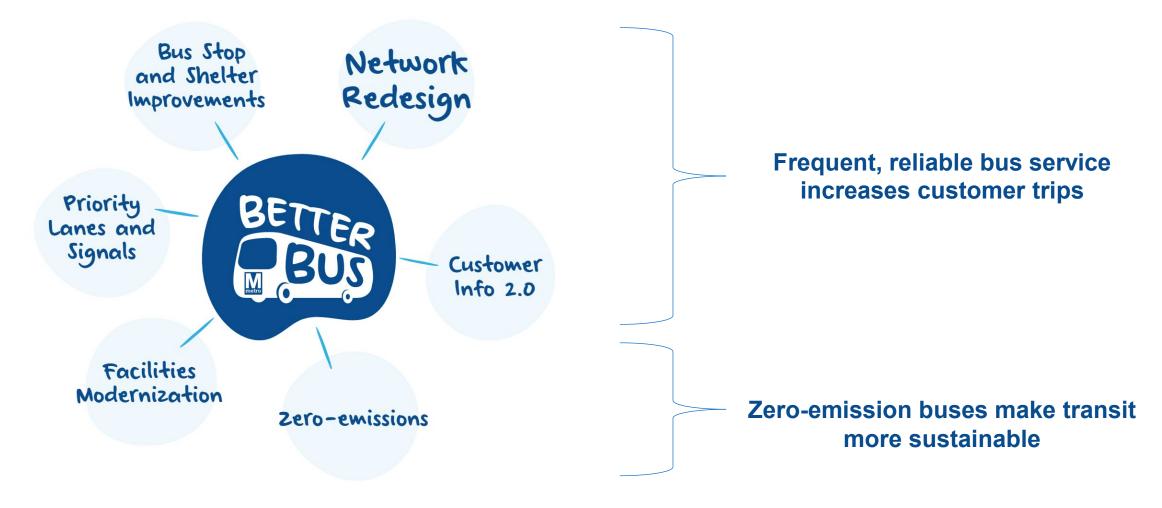
Metro's Zero-Emission Bus Transition

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Metrobus Helps Meet the Region's Climate Goals





Zero-Emission Bus Transition Requires Coordinated Action

Buses

Procure, operate, and maintain buses

Infrastructure

Design and construct infrastructure to support zero-emission buses

Charging Equipment

Procure, operate, and maintain charging equipment

Safety

Incorporate safety measures in design and deployment

Fleet and Service Planning

Strategy for transition and operation

Workforce

Ensure workforce is trained and ready

Funding

Assess funding needs, apply for grants

Partnerships

Coordinate internally and externally



Metro's Zero-Emission Bus Program Activities Underway

- First ZEB Transition Plan completed
- Preparing facilities for ZEBs
 - Northern, Bladensburg in design & construction
- 2 BEBs in service, addl procurement underway
- \$104M FTA Low-No grant awarded
- Regional Coordination
 - Utilities
 - Transit partners
 - First responders

Metro's ZEB goals

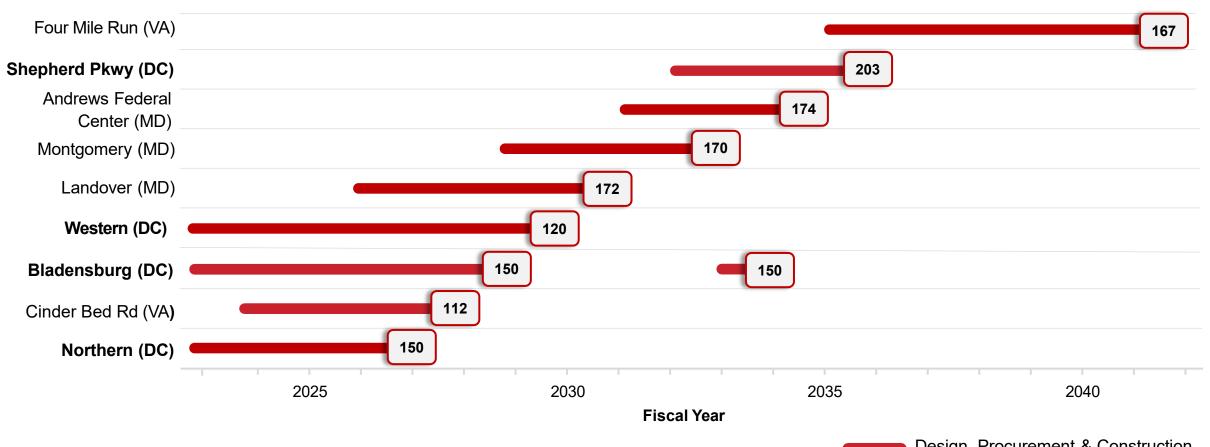
- 100% ZEB purchases by 2027
- 100% ZEB fleet by 2042



Metro's first battery-electric bus on display



Metro Plans to Convert 9 Bus Divisions across DMV by 2042*



^{*}Initial plan for converting 9 Metro Bus Divisions to support nearly 1,600 ZEBs.

Current funding constraints put future bus procurements and garage conversions at risk.

Design, Procurement & Construction

Battery-Electric Bus Facility Opening
Date & Approx. Capacity



Initial Deployment from Shepherd Parkway Bus Division

ZEB Deployment Phase 1 includes:

- 12 battery-electric buses
 - Two 60' buses in service
 - Ten 40' buses expected in 2024-2025
- Charging equipment and infrastructure
- New training and SOPs
- Project safety certification
- Route modeling
 - Deploy first two BEBs on W4 route in DC



Overhead pantograph at Shepherd Parkway



Charger cabinets at Shepherd
Parkway



Metro's new battery-electric bus



Metro Awarded \$104 Million Low or No Emission Vehicle Grant

- Received FTA's largest award of FY 2023 Low-No funding
- Funding supports:
 - Bus procurements
 - Conversion of Cinder Bed Facility in partnership with Fairfax County
 - Workforce development and training



FTA Deputy Administrator Veronica Vanterpool delivered the grant award



Questions / Discussion

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