



Stride

Spring Engagement Summary

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Executive Summary

Background

Sound Transit is building the Stride bus rapid transit system to serve the growing north Lake Washington communities from Shoreline and Seattle to Bothell along State Route 522. The system will also connect communities along Interstate 405 from Lynnwood to Bellevue and Bellevue to Burien. The program includes a bus base with 120 bus capacity in Bothell to ensure that Stride buses receive regular cleaning and maintenance.

After evaluating and refining the program in 2018/2019, going through an environmental review process in 2019/2020, and reaching the 30% design milestone in 2020/early 2021, the program was approved by the Sound Transit Board in late 2021 to be built. The 30%, 60% and 90% (ready for construction) milestones during this phase are associated with a general level of design “completeness.” Since spring 2021, the project team has advanced development of 60% design in collaboration with agency and jurisdictional partners.

Outreach overview

Sound Transit hosted an online open house from Feb. 22 to April 28, 2023, to share 60% design program updates and gather community input. Sound Transit also held in-person drop-in sessions on March 15 in Lake Forest Park, March 22 in Shoreline, March 28 in Kenmore, and April 25 in Bothell.

Sound Transit received more than 320 survey responses during the online open house and at the in-person drop-in sessions, including two responses in Spanish and one in Simplified Chinese. Feedback was mixed, with most respondents excited for the program to move into construction. Many shared concerns about the design, including the amount of tree removals, retaining wall height, and station sizes. Two more themes from comments across the surveys were concerns about pedestrian safety and access to neighborhoods during construction.

The online open house and in-person public drop-in sessions were publicized by advertisements in local newspapers such as the Bothell-Kenmore Reporter, Seattle Chinese Times, and the Lynnwood Reporter. Sound Transit also displayed flyers and posters along the SR 522 corridor and wrote two press releases, eight GovDelivery e-mail updates, social media advertisements, and a communication toolkit that was sent to community partners.



6,500+ online open house visitors



325+ survey responses and comments



310+ attendees at 4 drop-in sessions



1,750+ flyers and posters



8 emails to 6,150+ email subscribers



137,000 impressions and 4,300 clicks on social media ads

Engagement by the numbers

Sound Transit will take this public feedback into consideration when working with jurisdictional partners. Public input is incorporated into project design based on feasibility, budget, development plans, and jurisdictional requirements.

Sound Transit will follow up with design and pre-construction updates later this year. Construction on some aspects of the program, such as the 85th Street interchange with our Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) partner, are slated to begin in late 2023. Other parts of the program will go into construction in 2024. All Stride lines are targeted to be in service by 2027/2028.

Stay involved

If you have questions or comments, please reach out to the program team by email at brt@soundtransit.org, or by phone at 206-553-3412. We encourage you to [subscribe to our email list](#) to stay tuned for future updates.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

Sound Transit's Stride bus rapid transit will be a fast, frequent, and reliable bus service connecting to light rail and to communities north, east, and south of Lake Washington. Similar to light rail service, Stride is designed for convenient travel with fast arrivals and departures, including off-board fare payment and multiple-door entry and exit. New bus lanes and transit priority improvements will help riders avoid traffic. Our Stride bus fleet will include battery electric buses for a cleaner, more sustainable way to travel in the region. The S1, S2, and S3 bus lines together form the Stride program. Stride routes will replace existing ST Express service currently operated by transit partners. Route 560 will be replaced by S1: I-405 South, Route 535 will be replaced by S2: I-405 North, and Route 522 will be replaced by S3. Stride buses will connect to Link light rail and provide new ways for you to get to your destinations. Our Stride program will also include a new bus maintenance base in Bothell to guarantee a safe, clean and comfortable ride for Sound Transit passengers.

In 2018, Sound Transit began to evaluate and refine the representative SR 522/NE 145th Stride BRT and I-405 Stride BRT projects identified in the voter-approved Sound Transit 3 (ST3) plan. The evaluation was based on technical analysis and stakeholder input and led to the development of the preliminary refined projects for the full corridor. In early 2019, Sound Transit shared the preliminary refined projects with the community and key stakeholder groups for further input. In March 2019, the Sound Transit Board of Directors advanced the projects into the next phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.

Sound Transit conducted initial outreach to property owners along the SR 522/NE 145th Stride BRT project corridor from Jan. 2020 into 2021. Based on feedback from property owners, we shifted the route alignment in Lake Forest Park to the west of SR 522 to minimize the number of property owners that would require relocation. This design change happened in mid-2020, during the 30% design phase.

Sound Transit started the environmental review process under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) in 2019 and engaged the community virtually with project status and updates. We completed environmental review for the I-405 Stride BRT project in Sept. 2020 and for the SR 522/NE 145th Stride BRT project in March 2021.

In March 2021, the SR 522/NE 145th Stride BRT project reached the 30% design milestone, and the project team held an online open house and virtual town halls to share the latest design information. In Aug. 2021, the Sound Transit Board selected the Bus Base North project to be built. In Sept. 2021, the Board approved construction of the Stride BRT projects.

Since spring 2021, the project team has advanced development of 60% design in collaboration with agency and jurisdictional partners. Sound Transit hosted an online open house from Feb. 22 to April 28, 2023, to share project design updates and solicit community input. Sound Transit also held in-person drop-in sessions to complement the online open house on March 15 in Lake Forest Park, March 22 in Shoreline, March 28 in Kenmore, and April 25 in Bothell.

The online open house described 60% design updates to the refined program since March 2021 and provided information about upcoming program milestones, including construction. The online open house was available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, and

Traditional Chinese. Sound Transit also provided an online pre-construction survey for community members to share feedback with the program team which focused on community construction concerns, local community activities, and any additional comments for the program team.

1.2 Purpose of report

This report summarizes the notification and community involvement strategies Sound Transit used in the spring 2023 Stride bus rapid transit online open house and in-person drop-in sessions. It also summarizes the public participation and key findings from public feedback received via the online survey and emails during the online open house. The executive summary will be available in Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, and Vietnamese. If you would like the report translated into any other language, please reach out to the program team at brt@soundtransit.org.

2 PUBLIC OUTREACH OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the spring 2023 online open house and drop-in sessions were to:

- Inform potentially affected communities about the details, schedule and goals for the program.
- Share the 60% design plans and key changes and decisions since previous outreach, including the location and status of stations, parking locations, access considerations, and roadway and transit priority improvements.
- Discuss how technical analysis and stakeholder feedback informed 60% design.
- Offer equitable, inclusive and meaningful outreach and engagement opportunities.
- Provide opportunities for members of the community to sign up for program updates, contact the program team and provide feedback on the program team's public engagement strategies.
- Provide opportunities for members of the community to take a pre-construction survey and provide feedback for the design team.
- Inform the advancement of the program into 90% design and construction phases.
- Communicate next steps and future opportunities for public engagement.

3 AUDIENCE

The audience for the online open house was intended to be corridor-wide while the drop-in sessions were locally focused. With this outreach, we were interested in reaching the following audiences:

- Members of the general public who have an interest in the program and its outcome.
- Adjacent property owners, business owners and residents who live or work near the project area and use the NE 145th Street, SR 522 corridor, and I-405 corridor.
- Current bus riders who travel along the NE 145th Street, SR 522 corridor, and I-405 – via ST Express Bus, Community Transit or King County Metro service.
- Agency staff and elected officials who have an interest in the program’s potential effects, permitting compliance and/or potential benefits to their constituents.
- Historically underrepresented communities, including those that speak languages other than English.
- Interest groups, such as transportation groups, regional land-use interests, environmental groups, and organizations involved with local or regional businesses and industries.

During this round of public outreach, Sound Transit continued to employ outreach methods to reach historically underrepresented populations to equitably engage current and future transit riders. Historically underrepresented populations include people of color, people who are or may be limited-English speakers, people with varying abilities and people who are currently living with low incomes. Based on the preliminary demographic analysis conducted during the earlier rounds of outreach that identified targeted populations within the program area, we used the following strategies to engage these populations:

- Provided translated versions of the online open house in Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, and Traditional Chinese, as well as offering other languages via the embedded Google Translate tool.
- Publicized the online open house with translated ads in language-specific publications.
- Provided screen-reader compatible versions of online information.

As the program moves from design to construction, Sound Transit will continue to work with community organizations, jurisdictions and social service providers to identify additional ways to reach historically underrepresented populations.

Participation by the numbers

- **Over 6,000 people visited** the English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, and Traditional Chinese online open houses.
- **Over 300 people responded** to the survey in the online open house and at drop-in sessions.
- Community members sent the program team **six emails** related to the online open house and/or online public meetings.
- **305 people attended** the public drop-in sessions:
 - 240 people attended the public drop-in session for Lake Forest Park.
 - 20 people attended the public drop-in session for Shoreline/Seattle.
 - 17 people attended the public drop-in session for Kenmore.
 - 28 people attended the public drop-in session for Bothell/Woodinville.

4 OUTREACH TOOLS AND METHODS

4.1 Notifications

Outreach by the numbers

- **1,600 flyers** were distributed door-to-door in Lake Forest Park to homes, apartments, and businesses within a quarter mile of the project corridor.
- **150 posters** we placed along the corridor in Kenmore, Seattle/Shoreline, and Bothell within a quarter mile of the project corridor.
- **Five email update notices** were sent to more than 3,500 Sound Transit SR 522 BRT program email list subscribers advertising the online open house and drop-in sessions. **Three emails update notices** were sent to more than 2,600 people on the 405 BRT project email list with subscribers advertising the online open house and survey.
- **Display advertisements** were placed in **three** local online publications.

4.1.1 Email updates

A total of eight email updates were sent to the 522 BRT and 405 BRT project listserv of approximately 3,572 recipients and 2,608 recipients on Feb. 28, April 12, and April 28 (see **Appendix A** for copies of the emails). There were two separate email updates sent to the 522 BRT project listserv on March 13 and March 20.

The first email update on Feb. 28 went to the 522 BRT and 405 BRT listserv and announced the online open house, and encouraged community members to view 60% design plans, and attend drop-in sessions. The second email update on March 13 served as a reminder about the upcoming drop-in public meetings. The third email update on March 20 reminded email recipients of the remaining drop-in public meetings. The second and third email updates were not sent to the 405 BRT listserv.

The fourth email update on April 12 thanked the community members for their involvement in the engagement period and went to both the 522 BRT listserv and the 405 BRT listserv. This fourth email update for the 522 BRT listserv served to additionally notify the community of the extra Bothell drop-in session. The fifth and final email update on April 28 thanked the community members for their involvement in the extended engagement period and notified the community of the closure of the online open house and engagement period.

4.1.2 Press release and communications toolkit

Sound Transit issued a press release on Feb. 28 to announce the online open house and public drop-in sessions (**Appendix B**). There was a second press release issued on April 24 to announce the Bothell public drop-in session.

Sound Transit also sent a communications toolkit to the Interagency Group (IAG) members in mid-Feb with sample messaging they could use to publicize the online open house to their communities (also in **Appendix B**).

The IAG consists of representatives from Sound Transit’s partner agencies and governments in the project area that meets four times a year to provide community and corridor-wide perspective on potential project refinements and engagement tools. On the S3 line, the IAG includes representatives from the City of Seattle, City of Shoreline, City of Lake Forest Park, City of Kenmore, City of Bothell, City of Woodinville, the Washington State Department of Transportation, King County Metro, Community Transit and University of Washington Bothell/Cascadia College. On the S1 and S2 lines, the IAG includes representatives from King County Metro, Community Transit, the City of Kirkland, the City of Bothell, the City of Lynnwood, the City of Tukwila, the City of Bellevue, the City of Renton, and the City of Burien.

The community engagement team developed a notification toolkit that was distributed to community organizations, chambers of commerce and neighborhood associations along the SR 522 corridor to inform their communities about the online open house and public drop-in sessions. Table 4-1 lists the organizations that received an email update about the engagement period.

Table 4-1: Notification toolkit recipients

Jurisdiction	Organization
Corridor-wide	North King County Mobility Coalition
Seattle/ Shoreline	Briarcrest Neighborhood Association
Seattle/ Shoreline	Lake City Collective
Seattle/ Shoreline	Lake City Neighborhood Alliance
Seattle/ Shoreline	Shoreline Chamber of Commerce
Seattle/ Shoreline	Shoreline Christian Reformed Church
Seattle/ Shoreline	Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church
Seattle/ Shoreline	Shoreline United Methodist Church
Seattle/ Shoreline	North Seattle Chamber of Commerce
Seattle/ Shoreline	Parkwood Neighborhood Association
Seattle/ Shoreline	Ridgecrest Neighborhood Association
Lake Forest Park	Ballou Haven HOA
Lake Forest Park	Lake Forest Park Citizens Commission
Lake Forest Park	Lake Forest Park Civic Club
Kenmore	Bastyr University
Kenmore	Columbia Crest Montessori
Kenmore	Mary’s Place Northshore
Kenmore	Northlake Lutheran Church
Kenmore	St. Vincent de Paul
Kenmore	Uplake Neighborhood Association
Bothell	Bothell Kenmore Chamber of Commerce/Kenmore Business Alliance
Bothell	Northshore School District #417
Bothell	Northshore Senior Center
Bothell	Northshore Youth Services
Bothell	UW Bothell

4.1.3 Flyers and postering

Sound Transit distributed flyers and posters to the communities with scheduled drop-in sessions.

- **1,600 flyers** were distributed door-to-door in Lake Forest Park to homes, apartments, and businesses within a quarter of a mile of the project corridor from March 6-10, 2023.
- **150 posters** were placed along the corridor in Kenmore and Seattle/Shoreline within a quarter of a mile of the project corridor from March 6-10, 2023.
- **150 posters** were placed along the corridor in Bothell within a quarter of a mile of the project corridor from April 19-21, 2023.

See **Appendix C** for examples of the poster and flyer.

4.1.4 Online display advertisements

Sound Transit submitted online advertisements to local publications with readership that aligned with the program team's target audiences. There was one advertisement in Simplified Chinese. These ads ran in one cycle during the online open house, from Feb. 25 to March 30, in the following publications:

- *Seattle Chinese Times*
- *Lynnwood Times*
- *Bothell-Kenmore Reporter*

See **Appendix D** for examples of the online and print ads and screenshots of their placement in publications.

4.1.5 Social media display advertisements

Sound Transit posted Facebook ads on Feb. 28–March 7, April 1-8, and April 18-27 that linked to the online open house. In the first run, the ads were seen by over 62,687 people and garnered about 2,100 clicks to the online open house. These ads were run in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Spanish, Vietnamese, and English.

In the second run, the ads were seen by 64,014 people and garnered about 1,900 clicks to the online open house. These ads were run in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Spanish, Vietnamese, and English.

In the final run, the ads were seen by over 6,100 people in English and garnered about 251 clicks. The ads were also run in Spanish and seen by 4,100 people and garnered about 55 clicks to the online open house.

See **Appendix E** for examples of the social media notifications.

4.1.6 Local media coverage

The *LFP Town Crier* posted an event notification, sharing the drop-in session time and location.

The program team wrote and submitted an article to *Shoreline Area News* to share project updates about the S3 project to solicit feedback through the online open house and notify the community of the in-person public drop-in sessions. Shoreline Area News published this article on March 1.

See **Appendix F** for screenshots of these online articles.

4.2 Public involvement opportunities

4.2.1 Online open house

The online open house was available from Feb. 22 to April 28 in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, and Traditional Chinese. The online open house described the 60% design and provided information about the Stride program and upcoming program milestones. Sound Transit also provided an online pre-construction survey for community members to share feedback with the project team which focused on community construction concerns, local community activities, and any additional comments for the program team.

See **Appendix G** for images of the English, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, and Spanish online open houses.

4.2.2 Drop-in sessions

Sound Transit hosted four public drop-in sessions, one per segment of the S3 project corridor.

The public drop-in sessions were held on these dates and times:

- Lake Forest Park: Wednesday, March 15, 3 – 7 p.m. at Brookside Elementary School
- Seattle/Shoreline: Wednesday, March 22, 3 – 7 p.m. at Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church
- Kenmore: Tuesday, March 28, 4 – 8 p.m. at Kenmore City Hall
- Bothell: Tuesday, April 25, 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the Bothell Public Library

At the drop-in sessions, community members questions were answered by subject-matter experts. The sessions were an effective way to gather feedback from community members that have a variety of concerns, ranging from property owners with questions to citizens wanting to see specific design plans. Community members were able to speak one-on-one with program staff, who recorded and summarized responses and comments. Subject-matter experts were available to answer questions about the program's background, design plans, and the property acquisition process. Attendees



Members of the public viewing 60% design plans

also had the opportunity to view the latest segment designs and take a pre-construction survey focused on what the program team should keep in mind about their community as construction plans are developed.

5 WHAT WE HEARD

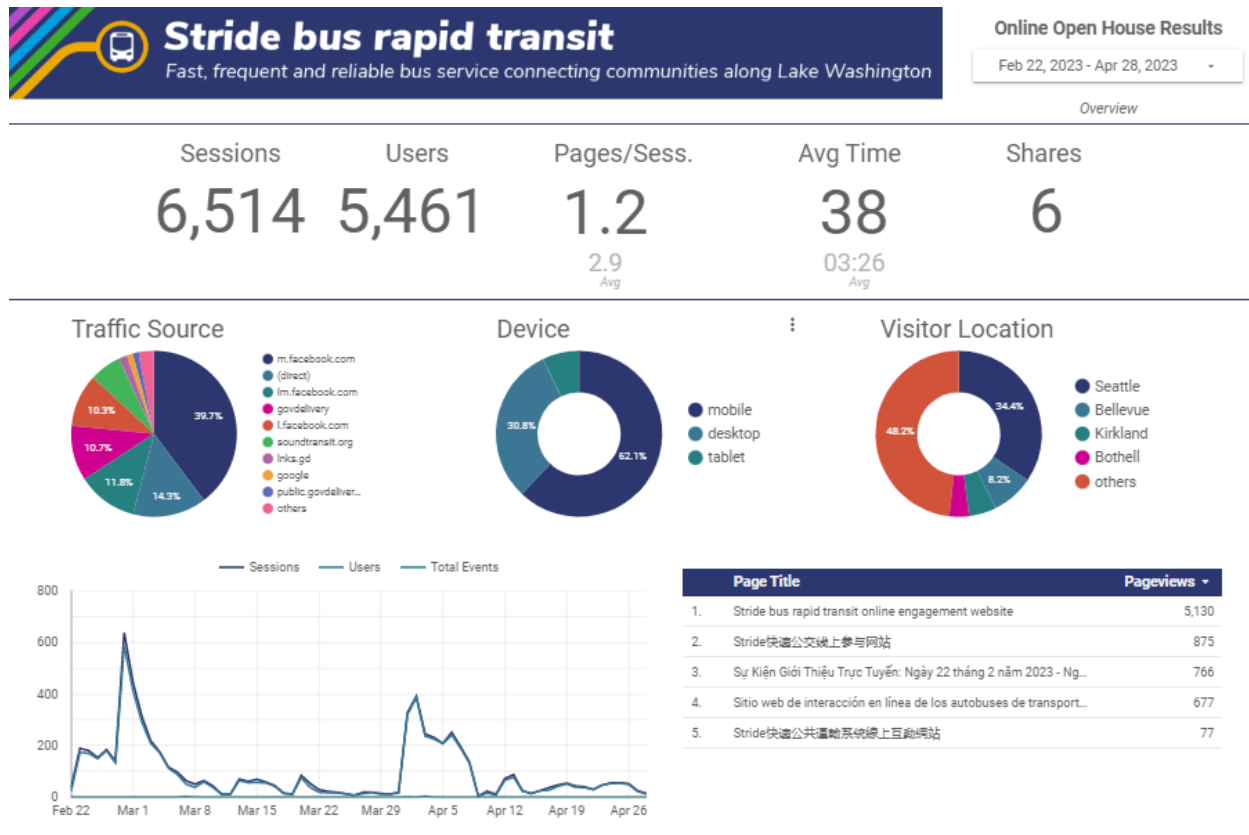
5.1 Participation snapshot

5.1.1 Participation

Online open house:

Between Feb. 22 and April 28, 2023, a total of **5,461 users** visited the English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, and Traditional Chinese online open houses. **5,461 users** spent an average of three and a half minutes on the English site, **875 users** spent an average of two and a half minutes on the Simplified Chinese site, **766 users** spent an average of two and a half minutes on the Vietnamese site, **677 users** spent an average of three and a half minutes on the Spanish site, and **77 users** spent a total of three and a half minutes on the Traditional Chinese site. A total of **321 respondents** completed the online survey across the English sites with one survey response in Simplified Chinese, and one survey response in Spanish. (No users submitted surveys via Vietnamese or Traditional Chinese sites).

See the analytics of the online open house below:



Drop-in public meetings:

A total of **305 people** attended the drop-in public meetings. 17 people attended the public drop-in session for Kenmore, 20 people attended the meeting for Shoreline/Seattle, 240 people attended the meeting for Lake Forest Park, and 28 people attended the meeting for Bothell/Woodinville.

There was no registration for these events.

5.1.2 Demographics of survey respondents

After reviewing program updates in the online open house and drop-in public meetings, visitors were encouraged to fill out a survey that included demographics questions. A total of 205 users on the English site provided demographic information.

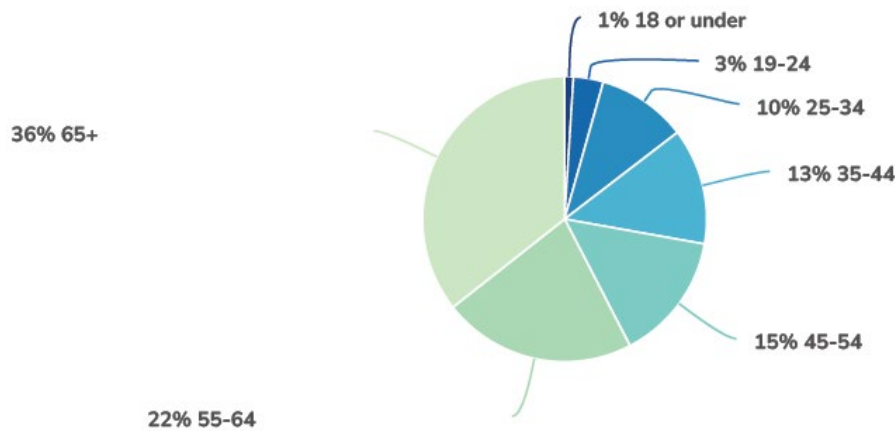
Race/ethnicity:

The demographic survey results show that the majority of survey participants identify as white (62%, $n = 125$), followed by prefer not to say (16%, $n = 30$), then Asian (11%, $n = 20$), then more than one race or ethnicity (6%, $n = 13$), then Hispanic/Latino (3%, $n = 6$), followed by Black or African American (1.6%, $n = 3$), and finally Middle Eastern or North African and another race or ethnicity both respectfully (0.5%, $n = 1$)

Value	Percent	Responses
Asian	10.0%	20
Pacific Islander / Native Hawaiian	0.5%	1
Black or African American	1.5%	3
Hispanic / Latino	3.0%	6
Middle Eastern or North African	0.5%	1
White	62.5%	125
More than one race or ethnicity	6.5%	13
Another race or ethnicity	0.5%	1
Prefer not to say	15.0%	30
		Totals: 200

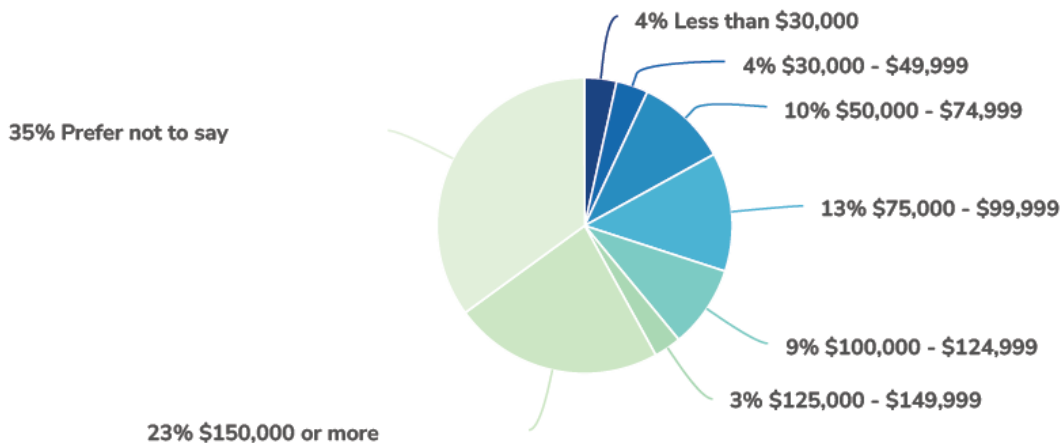
Age:

Most survey respondents (35%, $n = 73$) reported they were 65 or older. Roughly a quarter of respondents (22%, $n = 45$) reported being between 55 and 44 years old, and roughly a sixth of respondents (15%, $n = 30$) reported being between 45 and 54, another sixth of respondents (13%, $n = 27$) reported being between the ages of 35 and 44, a tenth of respondents (10%, $n = 21$) reported being between the ages of 25 and 34, some respondents (3%, $n = 7$) reported being between 19 and 24, and 1%, $n = 2$ of respondents reported being 18 and under.



Annual household income:

35% of respondents ($n = 70$) reported *prefer not to say* for annual income. 23% ($n = 46$) reported an income of \$150,000 or more, and 13% ($n = 26$) reported between \$75,000 and \$99,999, with 10% ($n = 20$) reporting between \$50,000 and \$74,999. 9% ($n = 18$) of respondents reported between \$100,000 and \$124,999, 3.5% ($n = 7$) reported less than \$30,000 and another 3% ($n = 6$) reported between \$125,000 and \$149,999. Finally, 3.5% ($n=7$) of respondents reported an annual income between \$30,000 and \$49,999.



5.2 Online survey- Key themes

The online pre-construction survey included five open-ended questions for community members to share feedback with the program team. Questions focused on community construction concerns, local community activities, and any additional comments for the program team. Participants were also asked questions about how they have previously engaged or expected to engage with the program, including where they had heard about the program.

There was a total of 321 responses to these survey questions. Community members also sent eight emails to the program email address, brt@soundtransit.org, with questions or comments related to the information shared in the online open house.

5.2.1 Corridor-wide themes

Key themes:

There was general support for the program, with excitement regarding connections along the Eastside of Lake Washington— especially with connections to Link light rail and the Seattle-Tacoma (Sea-Tac) International Airport. We organized other key themes from this survey into three categories: design, construction, and neighborhood activities.

"I'm excited for more convenient access to cities outside Seattle proper."

Design:

- Concerns about the amount of tree removals and replacement along SR 522.
- Concerns about the design of the retaining wall, including height and "look-and-feel".
- Questions about the design and station locations.

"Safety and security are a major concern both to property and people."

Construction:

- Concerns about environmental effects of construction, especially on streams and Lake Washington.
- Concerns about pedestrian and bicycle access and crossings to the Burke-Gilman Trail and Sheridan Beach during construction, especially along 165th Street in Lake Forest Park and 39th Avenue NE to Lake Forest Park Town Center.
- Concerns about effects on traffic during construction, especially along 145th Street in Shoreline/Seattle and in the City of Lake Forest Park.
- Concerns about pedestrian mobility and safety for persons with disabilities.
- Questions about minimizing the amount of heavy truck traffic and limiting to certain times of the day.

"It took far too long for the recent Bothell portion. Speed it up! My house is directly above 38th and Bothell Way and I am concerned about dust/ noise."

"Minimizing the amount of heavy truck traffic. Can construction traffic be limited to certain times/days? Will there be advance warning of particularly noise days/weeks?"

Neighborhood activities:

- Concerns about pedestrian safety and access to neighborhoods and parks such as Sheridan Beach, Sheridan Heights, Brookside Elementary, Lake Washington High School, North Rose Hill, 145th Street, 165th Street and Bothell Way, 148th Street in Burien, Lake Forest Park Town Center, and the Burke-Gilman Trail.

"I am legally blind and use a guide dog. Construction often blocks safe walking and street crossing. It is hard to figure out how to navigate around the construction."

- Request to be aware of local community events, such as 4th of July parades, community classes, and senior centers.

5.2.2 Key themes by jurisdiction

5.2.2.1 Lake Forest Park

More than 240 community members attended the Lake Forest Park drop-in public meeting and 136 took surveys throughout the engagement period. There was one comment in Simplified Chinese. Comments about Lake Forest Park included:

"I understand there is a tradeoff between ideal bus movement and protecting neighborhood resources. I'm very concerned that the corridor from LFP Town Center to 145th will take away all the trees and greenery, being replaced with a large wall."

Design:

- Support for pedestrian improvements including sidewalks on Bothell Way.
- Concerns about tree removal and replacement along SR 522.
- Concerns about Business Access and Transit (BAT) lanes vs. queue jumps in Lake Forest Park.
- Concerns about pedestrian improvements (sidewalk size and locations) and size of the Stride stations.
- Concern about removal/replacement of Sheridan Beach signs
- Concerns about retaining wall design.
- Questions about an environmental impact statement.

"I'm excited for sidewalk and pedestrian safety improvements; frequent bus service to the new light rail station; clean-up of vegetation on hill side (west side of Bothell Way)."

Construction:

- Concerns about construction and post-construction noise.
- Concerns about pedestrian safety, especially pedestrian crossings to Sheridan Beach during construction.
- Concerns about environmental impacts of construction.
- Questions about the ability to turn on 39th Ave on northbound Bothell Way post-construction.

"I'm concerned about getting into the neighborhood and out with construction on 165th and traffic going up 165th. Taking away turn lanes onto 39th Ave makes backup and getting home on 165th more complicated."

Neighborhood activities:

- Concerns about children and pedestrian crossings at 165th Avenue and SR 522 to Brookside Elementary, Sheridan Beach, and Sheridan Community Club, specifically in the summer months.
- Concerns about trail and recreational use, especially access to the Burke Gilman trail and Lake Forest Park Town Center.

"During the summer, children will frequently walk through the construction area as they cross Bothell Way at the intersection with 165 Ave NE to access the community club."

5.2.2.2 Seattle/Shoreline

There were 18 community members who attended the Seattle/Shoreline drop-in public meeting and 107 took a survey either in person at the drop-in session or online during the comment period. Comments about Shoreline/Seattle included. There was one comment in Simplified Chinese and one comment in Spanish.:

"I'm excited about the connections that Stride will bring to Shoreline, Kenmore, Bothell, and Lake Forest Park. I think it will bring more people and businesses in this area because it will be easier to connect with other communities."

Design:

- Support for the connections to cities along the SR 522 corridor.
- Concern about the lack of a turn lane on 145th Street going west at the intersection of 30th Avenue.
- Questions about sidewalks on both sides of 145th Street.

Construction:

- Concerns about pedestrian and cyclist safety, especially along 145th Street between Lake City Way and 31st Avenue where many pedestrians are present.
- Concerns about environmental effects, including tree loss.
- Concerns about effects on traffic, such as potential congestion, larger vehicles, and longer commute times.

"I'm very concerned that there is no turn lane on 145th St. going west at the intersection with 30th Ave. Please, please look at the accidents and traffic pattern here and the amount of traffic in this area and how it bottlenecks when drivers want to turn left. It is dangerous!"

Neighborhood activities:

- Concerns about increase in traffic on 145th Street and 30th Avenue.
- Concerns about pedestrian safety along 145th Street.
- Concerns about access to the Burke Gilman Trail.
- Concerns about access to churches along and near 145th Street.
- Concerns about peak rush hours.
- Concerns about local events.

"Please confer with Seattle on west side of 30th Ave. NE at/near 145th/SR 522 additions to curb/gutter/sidewalk. Eastside of 30th almost done, but west is still dangerous to pedestrians/bikes/students from soft shoulder."

5.2.2.3 Kenmore

There were 17 community members who attended the Kenmore drop-in public meeting and 21 took a survey either in person at the drop-in session or online during the comment period. There was one comment in Simplified Chinese:

Comments about Kenmore included:

Design:

- Support for infrastructure improvements such as BRT and pedestrian safety upgrades.

"I'm excited for fast, traffic-free, reliable access from Kenmore to the new light rail station in Shoreline."

- Support for reduced traffic and travel times on SR 522.
- Support for BRT connections to Link Light Rail.
- Concerns about the potential aesthetic results when the project is complete.
- Questions about bus station locations and size.
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Construction:

- Concerns about overall construction costs.
- Concerns about truck traffic and noise during construction.
- Concerns about the construction timeline.
- Concerns about construction effects on nearby trees and bodies of water.
- Concerns about tree loss.

Neighborhood activities:

- Concerns about disruptions to local travel and traffic.
- Concerns about changes and loss of parking availability.
- Concern about changes to bus services.

"I'm concerned about the traffic impact of construction."

5.2.2.4 Bothell

There were 28 community members who attended the Bothell public drop-in session and 45 took a survey either in person at the drop-in session or online during the comment period. Comments about Bothell included.

- General excitement for the project to move into construction.
- Support for the project to cut commute times between Bothell and Shoreline.

"[Stride] will allow me to take the bus to work without it taking twice as long as driving. Right now, it takes so much longer [that] I drive when I'd rather take transit."

Design:

- Concern about the lack of a station between the Bothell stations between 73rd Street and 80th Street.

Construction:

- Concern regarding the effects of construction on local businesses.
- Concern regarding pedestrian and bike access to sidewalks during construction.

"How will the construction impact the businesses that are nearby? Will people walking and biking be able to use the sidewalk in the construction area? Will detours be visibly marked?"

Neighborhood activities:

- Concern regarding Bothell High School hours and access.
- Concern regarding events happening June through Sept.

5.2.2.5 Kirkland

There were 39 respondents from Kirkland who took the survey.

Comments included:

Design:

- Support for fast, frequent service to Link light rail and SeaTac airport from Brickyard and up to Lynnwood.
- Support for trips to north Kirkland from Bellevue.
- Support for pedestrian and infrastructure improvements.
- Concerns about needing multiple transfers to and from city centers.
- Questions about traffic flow at the new interchange at NE 85th Street and crosswalk use by pedestrians.

"I'm excited about rapid bus service between 85th St Station and Bellevue."

"Literally everyone from Kirkland west of I-405 goes to LWHS which is just southeast of the 85th interchange. And many in North rose hill have to get to their assigned middle school which is west and crosses under this overpass."

"In-line BRT stops at the Brickyard Road P&R freeway stop. I hope that the 160th ST overpass will be improved to provide a better pedestrian experience. People who live on the east side of 405 have to walk a somewhat unpleasant and unsafe stretch to get to the Brickyard P&R. I'm excited to finally get BRT that runs all day long on the 405 corridor."

Construction:

- Concerns about effects on traffic and commuting through construction zones, especially around 80th Street and 120th Avenue.
- Concerns about pedestrian safety to and from neighborhoods and schools, especially Lake Washington High School and going to Costco.

5.2.2.6 Tukwila

There were seven respondents from Tukwila who took the survey. There was one comment in Spanish.

Comments included:

Design:

- Support for fast, frequent service outside Seattle.
- Support for related pedestrian and biking improvements.
- Concerns about hostile architecture designs.
- Concerns about Stride running along the freeway rather than in communities.

"I'm excited about improved bus service between Renton to Bellevue and better pedestrian and biking path."

Construction:

- Concerns about how long construction might take.
- Concerns about roads being unwalkable near neighborhoods and schools.

"I am afraid that Sound Transit will build hostile architecture around the station which no one like. Many people want to seat on the bench in transit center, Sound Transit barely have it because of hostile architecture rather than choosing human-centered design."

5.2.2.7 Lynnwood

There were 24 respondents from Lynnwood who took the survey. Comments included:

Design:

- Support for connections from Lynnwood to the eastside.
- Support for more frequent, fast transit options.
- Support for new transportation options close to their home/work.
- Support for Stride potentially brings more people and business to Lynnwood.
- Concerns about service changes between King County Metro and Sound Transit.

"I live in Lynnwood and work in Bellevue, so this sounds very convenient for me!"

Construction:

- Request for clear signage for cars and pedestrians.
- Concerns about the time construction will take to complete.
- Concerns about construction affecting mobility for those with physical disabilities.

"Be aware of the area you're working in, with regard to people with mobility issues. It sucks to have to walk in the street with a cane or crutches and is not safe for wheelchair or scooter users."

Neighborhood activities:

- Concern for awareness of community events.

5.2.2.8 Renton

There were 14 respondents from Renton who took the survey. Comments included:

Design:

- Support for connections from Renton to Link light rail.
- Support for reliable, frequent transit from Brickyard Park-and-Ride Lot to the Sea-Tac Airport and up to Lynnwood.
- Concerns about costs to taxpayers.
- Concerns about service changes.
- Concerns about removal of trees and plants.

"Excited for my office in South Renton to be connected to light rail!"

"I'm concerned about replanting landscaping. I enjoy flowering trees, like Magnolia Trees, fruit, and nut trees."

5.2.2.9 Burien

There were 13 respondents from Burien who took the survey. The responses included one comment in Simplified Chinese and one comment in Spanish:

"We are retirees with one car— this opens up possibilities for us to visit friends on the east side."

Design:

- Support for a more time efficient transit option from Burien to Bellevue.
- Concerns about addition of a BAT lane on 148th Ave in Burien.

Construction:

- Concerns about additional congestion in Burien during construction.

Neighborhood activities:

- Concerns about children and people walking near construction zones.
- Potential music and food events in the area.

"148th in Burien is also a major way cars access 518— don't impede this traffic"

5.2.2.10 Bellevue

There were 15 respondents from Bellevue who took the survey. Comments included:

Design:

- Support for rapid, frequent service from the eastside to the Sea-Tac Airport
- Question about why there is a station planned for the 44th Ave Exit and not the 112th St Park and Ride Lot.

"I'm excited for improved bus service between Renton to Bellevue and better pedestrian and biking path."

Neighborhood activities:

- Concerns about pedestrian safety during NE 85th St. construction as many families cross this street to get to Lake Washington High School.

"85th in Kirkland is a major daily street for normal residents. We have to cross here to get to our middle school. Other families have to cross here to get to their high school."

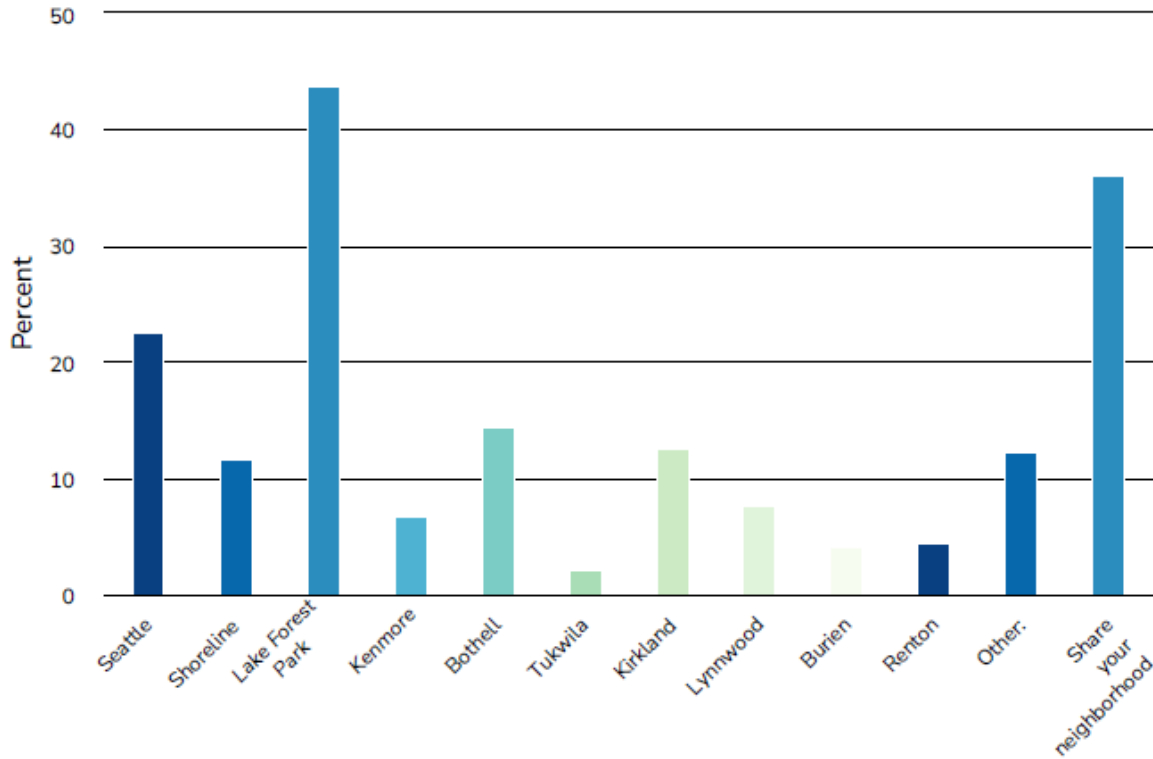
5.2.3 Additional survey responses

The online pre-construction survey also included five multiple choice questions for community members to share feedback with the project team which focused on locations of survey respondents, how often respondents expect to use Stride bus rapid transit, community construction concerns, and how they learned about the project.

Locations

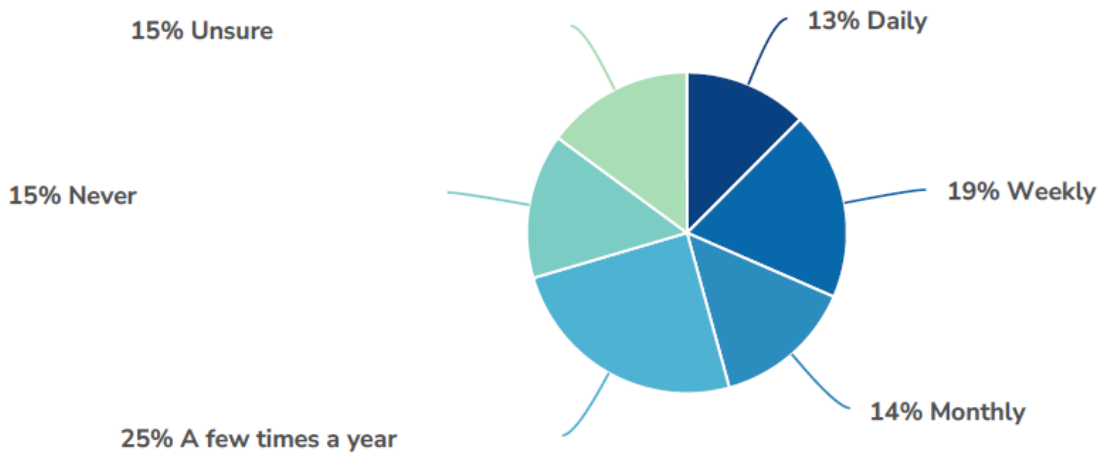
Respondents were given options to choose which cities they lived or worked along the corridor. Locations of respondents included:

Value	Percent	Responses
Seattle	22.6%	70
Shoreline	11.9%	37
Lake Forest Park	43.9%	136
Kenmore	6.8%	21
Bothell	14.5%	45
Tukwila	2.3%	7
Kirkland	12.6%	39
Lynnwood	7.7%	24
Burien	4.2%	13
Renton	4.5%	14
Other:	12.3%	38
Share your neighborhood	36.1%	112



Stride bus rapid transit use

Respondents were asked how often they planned to use Stride bus rapid transit; daily, weekly, monthly, a few times a year, never, or unsure. Results showed:



Community construction concerns

Respondents were given the option to rank their construction concerns from 1-8, with 1 being the highest concern and 8 being the lowest. Here are their rankings:

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Traffic impacts such as potential congestion, more large vehicles, and longer commute times	1		1,183	212
Pedestrian safety	2		1,109	216
Access to private property and local neighborhoods	3		1,038	195
Environmental impacts	4		1,009	177
Construction noise and vibration	5		1,008	197
Road closures	6		918	198
Economic impacts to businesses	7		855	180
Construction debris	8		758	174

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

How respondents learned about the program

Respondents were asked how they learned about the program. Respondents could choose from multiple options on this question.

Value	Percent	Responses
Project webpage	24.0%	70
Local fair/festival	5.1%	15
Local or regional news sources	28.1%	82
Social media	35.6%	104
Postcard	10.6%	31
Project email updates	25.0%	73
I am a property owner or tenant who has been in touch with the project team	10.6%	31
I am a member of a community organization that has received a briefing from the project team	17.8%	52
I attended a previous public meeting (in-person or virtual) for the project	23.3%	68
I visited the project's previous online open houses	11.6%	34
Other (please specify)	8.6%	25



APPENDIX A

Email updates



Stride bus rapid transit

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Stride S1 and S2 Lines Bus rapid transit on I-405 and SR 518

Project update



Example rendering of Stride bus station and double-decker bus.

See the latest 60% designs for your city!

We want to hear from you! Since releasing the Stride S3 Line 60% draft design plans in November 2022, we've worked to continue advancing the design of the entire project.* S1 and S2 are also reaching 60% design. You can now learn about the latest designs and share your thoughts about construction through April 8 at our online open house. The [online open house](#) is available in English, Spanish, Traditional and Simplified Chinese, and Vietnamese.

If you have questions about the latest designs for Stride S1, S2, S3, or Bus Base North please email brt@soundtransit.org.



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Construction crews speaking to a member of the public.

Share your thoughts about construction

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Stride S3 Line

Bus rapid transit: Shoreline–Bothell

Project update



Example rendering of Stride bus station.

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Stride bus rapid transit

about construction through April 8. The [online open house](#) is available in English, Spanish, Traditional and Simplified Chinese, and Vietnamese.

Visit us at an in-person drop-in session

The project team is hosting in-person drop-in sessions for cities along the Stride S3 Line project corridor. We hope you will attend to learn about the latest designs. Subject matter experts will be present to answer questions. The dates and times for the in-person drop-in sessions are:

- **Lake Forest Park:** Wednesday, March 15 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Brookside Elementary School
- **Seattle/Shoreline:** Wednesday, March 22 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church
- **Kenmore:** Tuesday, March 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Kenmore City Hall

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This email update was sent to the Sound Transit Stride S3 distribution list on March 13, 2023. The email reminded and encouraged interested members of the public who live near the future S3 corridor to attend the drop-in session in their jurisdiction to learn about the project updates and share feedback.



Stride S3 Line Bus rapid transit: Shoreline–Bothell

Project update



Sound Transit staff member speaking to members of the public.

Visit us at a Stride S3 in-person drop-in session



Stride bus rapid transit

Join us at an in-person drop-in session to learn about Stride S3's 60% design plans for cities along the SR 522 corridor. *Since sharing the preliminary 60% design plans in November 2022, we've collaborated with transit partners, members of the public, and city jurisdictions to continue advancing the designs.

A drop-in session is an opportunity for people in the community to have their questions answered by subject-matter experts. This session is a highly effective way to gather feedback from community members that have variety of concerns ranging from property owner affects to seeing specific design plans. Community members will be able to speak one-on-one with project staff and responses will be recorded and summarized. Subject-matter experts will be available to answer questions about the project's background, design plans, and the property acquisition process. Attendees will also have the opportunity to view the latest segment designs and take a pre-construction survey focused on what the project team should keep in mind about their community as construction plans are developed.

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Learn about the latest designs

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Stride S3 Line

Bus rapid transit: Shoreline–Bothell

Project update



Members of the public reading project information on display boards.

Reminder of upcoming drop-in sessions

Thank you to everyone that attended our in-person drop-in session in Lake Forest Park. Our next set of Stride S3 drop-in sessions will be in Shoreline and Kenmore. The project team's subject-matter experts will be available to answer questions. The dates, times and locations of the remaining drop-ins are:



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Stride S1 and S2 Lines

Bus rapid transit on I-405 and SR 518

Project update



Burien station rendering with Stride bus rendering

Thank you!

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Stride bus rapid transit

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- Tuesday, April 25 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Bothell Library

For those who can't make the meeting, the Bothell 60% design plans and updates will be on our online open house and at <https://www.soundtransit.org/sr522brt>. Our online open house will now be open until after this drop-in session.

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Stride S3 Line

Bus rapid transit: Shoreline–Bothell

Project update

Members of the public examining design roll plot with project engineer.

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Stride S1 and S2 Lines
Bus rapid transit on I-405 and SR 518

Project update

Bellevue Transit Center with ST Express bus

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Stride bus rapid transit

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In the upcoming design phase, the project team will:

- Finalize the design of roadways and sidewalks.
- Finalize station design and integration of public art.
- Prepare for construction.
- Obtain land use, environmental and construction permits.
- Continue the property acquisition process.
- Continue engaging with the public, community groups, businesses and elected officials to inform about design and construction plans.

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- Finalize the design of roadways and sidewalks.
- Finalize station design and integration of public art.
- Prepare for construction.
- Obtain land use, environmental and construction permits.
- Continue the property acquisition process.
- Continue engaging with the public, community groups, businesses and elected officials to inform about design and construction plans.

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APPENDIX B

Press release and toolkit



Stride bus rapid transit

Sound Transit issued a press release on Feb. 28, 2023 announcing the online open house as well as the public drop-in sessions for 60% design updates in Seattle/Shoreline, Lake Forest Park and Kenmore.

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Sound Transit hosting online open house about Stride bus rapid transit through April 8

Three in-person drop-in sessions also available for public

February 28, 2023

Sound Transit has launched an online open house for the Stride bus rapid transit (BRT) project through April 8 at <https://stridebrt.participate.online>. The public can learn more about the latest design for the project and provide comment through an online survey. In addition to English, the online open house is available in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Sound Transit will also be hosting the following public meeting drop-in sessions for the public to learn more about the design, ask questions and share thoughts on future construction.

- **March 15: Lake Forest Park**
Brookside Elementary School
17447 37th Ave. NE
3 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- **March 22: Shoreline/Seattle**
Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church
14724 1st Ave NE

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3 p.m. – 7 p.m.

- **March 28: Kenmore**

Kenmore City Hall

18120 68th Ave NE

4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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With buses running as often as every 10 minutes, Stride will be a fast, frequent, and reliable bus service connecting to light rail and to communities north, east, and south of Lake Washington. Similar to light rail service, Stride is designed for convenient travel with fast arrivals and departures, including off-board fare payment and multiple-door entry and exit. New bus lanes and transit priority improvements will help riders avoid traffic.

The S1 and S2 Stride Lines, formerly known as I-405 bus rapid transit in the project's planning phase, will connect communities along I-405 and SR 518 from Lynnwood to Burien. S1 runs from Burien to Bellevue and S2 runs from Bellevue to Lynnwood. This new service will connect to Link light rail at Lynnwood, Bellevue and Tukwila, the S3 Stride line in Bothell, and to other transit services provided by Sound Transit, Community Transit and King County Metro.

The project includes a new transit center in South Renton and 10 Stride stations, three of which will also add parking, for a total of 1,300 new spaces. The parking at the South Renton Transit Center and at Northeast 44th Street is anticipated to be completed in 2034. The Totem Lake/Kingsgate station in Kirkland is anticipated to be completed in 2035. The Stride bus fleet will include battery electric buses (BEBs) for a cleaner, more sustainable way to travel in the region.

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Sound Transit issued a press release on April 24, 2023 announcing the public drop-in session for Bothell.

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Sound Transit hosting online open house about Stride bus rapid transit in Bothell on April 25

Publish Date

April 24, 2023

Sound Transit will be hosting a drop-in session for the Stride bus rapid transit (BRT) project on April 25 for Bothell residents to **learn more about the project design**. Sound Transit staff will be available to share an overview of the Stride program, as well as design updates, maps, and project renderings specific to Bothell. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about Stride, view Bothell roll plots, ask project staff questions, and take a pre-construction survey.

The drop-in session will be held on Tuesday, April 25 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Bothell Library.

For those unable to attend the meeting, the Bothell design plans and updates are available on an online open house at <https://stridebrt.participate.online> and at <https://www.soundtransit.org/sr522brt>.

The Bothell drop-in session follows three previous sessions held last month in Lake Forest Park, Seattle/Shoreline and Kenmore. The engagement period for those jurisdictions has since been closed.

Over the next several weeks, the technical team will review submitted comments and feedback. Feedback is incorporated into the design based on feasibility and cost, among other criteria. An engagement summary will be developed with themes of what was heard during the engagement period from each jurisdiction. The engagement summary will be shared once complete along with an updated set of frequently asked questions.

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Stride bus rapid transit

The following communication toolkit was sent to the Interagency Group members and Community-based Organizations to publicize the online open house and Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, and Shoreline/Seattle drop-in sessions to their communities.



Stride BRT Projects Outreach Toolkit

Thank you for your continued partnership with the Sound Transit Stride S3 Project.

We're reaching out to provide an update on the Stride S3 Project. The Bothell segment has reached the 60% design milestone and is sharing the latest designs with the public. The project team is also preparing for construction in 2024/2025 and is seeking input on what they should be aware of in each neighborhood along the SR 522 corridor.

How to use this toolkit

Toolkit Overview:

Order	Tools	Description	Suggested use
1	Community email/newsletter blurb	This email introduces the project and directs readers to resources where they can find more information and engage with the project team. The email also promotes the project's online open house where people can read about the OMF South Draft EIS.	Send this email to your contact list. Insert the short blurb into your newsletter or email update.
2	Digital flyer	This flyer promotes the online open house and the upcoming engagement period.	Print this flyer for display at your organization or attach a digital copy to emails.

What is Stride?

Sound Transit's Stride bus rapid transit will be a fast, frequent, and reliable bus service connecting to light rail and to communities north, east, and south of Lake Washington. With projected population growth across the Puget Sound, Stride is a 19-hour-a-day service that will meet more people's transportation needs and connect the region in new and faster ways. Similar to light rail service, Stride is designed for convenient travel with fast arrivals and departures, including off-board fare payment and multiple-door entry and exit. New bus lanes and transit priority improvements help riders avoid traffic. Our Stride bus fleet will include battery electric buses (BEBs) for a cleaner more sustainable way to travel in the region.

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Stride bus rapid transit

stations. The S3 Line will connect riders to Link light rail at Shoreline South/148th at the west end of the corridor, and at the east end of the corridor to the S2 line in Bothell. S2 and S3 will connect at the SR 522/I-405 Transit Hub with transit service provided by Sound Transit, Community Transit and King County Metro. Stride will add parking in Kenmore and Bothell, anticipated to be complete in 2034, and in Lake Forest Park, anticipated to be complete in 2044.

What's the latest?

Stride is launching an online open house from Feb. 22 through April 8 to share the latest design plans. We are continuing to refine project designs and beginning to look towards construction starting in 2024/2025 for the Stride S3 project. We want to hear from you about what is important for us to consider as we plan construction activities.

How can your community be involved?

Between February 22 and April 8, Sound Transit is seeking your input on future construction planning.

You can see the latest design plans and provide input on construction planning by:

- Visiting our website to learn about the latest design plans and take our survey: <https://stridebrt.participate.online/>
- Attending the in-person drop-in sessions to learn more and talk to subject matter experts
 - Lake Forest Park: March 15 from 3pm to 7pm at Brookside Elementary School
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 - Kenmore: March 28 from 4pm to 8pm at Kenmore City Hall

Community email/newsletter blurbs:

Drop these blurbs directly into your newsletter or adapt as needed.

Blurb:

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Stop by an in-person drop-in session

The project team is hosting in-person drop-in sessions for each city along the Stride S3 Line project corridor. We hope you will attend to learn about the latest designs. Subject matter experts will be present to answer questions. The dates and times for the in-person drop-in sessions are:

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- Kenmore: March 28 from 4pm to 8pm at Kenmore City Hall

If you have questions about the latest designs for Stride S1 and S2, please email brt@soundtransit.org.

*Note: The final 60% designs for the Bothell segment will be available in Q3 2023.



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The following communication toolkit was sent to the City of Bothell and Bothell Library to publicize the online open house and Bothell drop-in sessions to their communities.



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3	Advertisement	This ad promotes the online open house website, which contains information about the Bothell drop-in session, updates, and rollplots.	Include this advertisement on your website, social media, or other platforms.

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- Visiting our website to learn about the latest design plans and take our survey: <https://stridebrt.participate.online/>
- Attending the Bothell in-person drop-in session to learn more and talk to subject matter experts:
 - Bothell: April 25 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Bothell Library

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Stop by an in-person drop-in session

The project team is hosting an in-person drop-in session for Bothell along the Stride S3 Line project corridor. We hope you will attend to learn about the latest designs. Subject matter experts will be present to answer questions. The Bothell drop-in session will be taking place:

- Tuesday, April 25th from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Bothell Library

If you have questions about the latest designs for Stride, please email brt@soundtransit.org.



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APPENDIX C

Poster and flyer



Stride bus rapid transit

The image below shows the poster distributed along the corridor in Kenmore and Seattle/Shoreline within 1/4 mile of the project corridor. This image was also used as a flyer, distributed door-to-door in Lake Forest Park to homes, apartments, and businesses within 1/4 mile of the project corridor.

Stride Bus Rapid Transit

 **Fast, frequent and reliable bus service connecting communities along Lake Washington**

Learn about design refinements
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Attend a drop-in session

Brookside Elementary School
 Wednesday, March 15 // 3-7 p.m.
 17447 37th Ave NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church
 Wednesday, March 22 // 3-7 p.m.
 14724 1st Ave NE, Shoreline, WA 98155

Kenmore City Hall
 Tuesday, March 28 // 4-8 p.m.
 18120 68th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028



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The image below shows the poster that was distributed in Bothell within ¼ mile of the S3 corridor (SR 522).

Stride Bus Rapid Transit

Fast, frequent and reliable bus service connecting communities along Lake Washington

Attend a drop-in session
Bothell Library
Tuesday, April 25// 3:30-6:30 p.m.
18215 98th Ave NE, Bothell, WA 98011

Learn about design refinements
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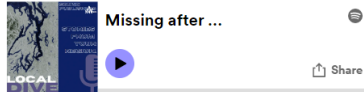
Bothell-Kenmore Reporter ad:

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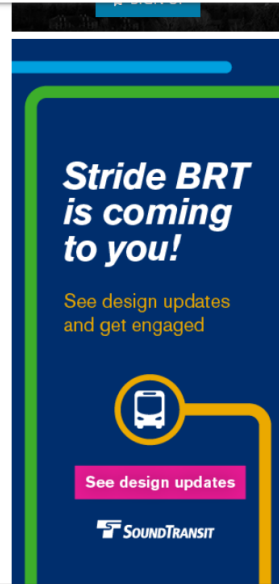
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general.



This legislation rolls back a policing reform passed in 2021 in response to the 2020 murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis and other high-profile police killings — reforms aimed at reducing the potential for violence and death in police responses.

Some Democrats opposed the bill, arguing that with the tougher standard communities became safer with fewer high-speed chases and, in turn, fewer innocent bystanders injured or killed.



But law enforcement officials and ele
city leaders asserted the revision



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options.

The first phase of network enhancements is happening now and will initially offer a maximum download speed of 2 Gbps, combined with upload speeds up to 200 Mbps, five to 10 times faster than Comcast's existing upload speeds. Comcast expects that nearly half of the company's network in Washington will offer multi-gig Internet speeds by the end of 2023.

The network investment is the latest example of Comcast's investment to connect more households and businesses in the Pacific Northwest to its Internet services that deliver fast speeds, more reliability, broader coverage in the home, and greater capacity to support customers' growing Internet usage. Comcast invested \$1 billion in technology and infrastructure investments in Washington during the previous three years, including network expansion and upgrades.

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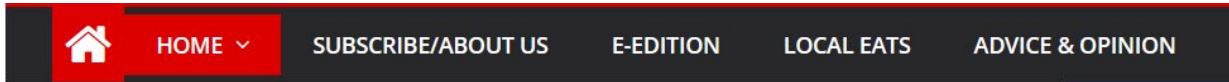




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Lynnwood Times ad:

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Lynnwood Times goes to Olympia to discuss key issues

By KIENAN BRISCOE

OLYMPIA—Lynnwood Times journalists traveled to the state capital, Olympia, on February 16, to meet with lawmakers, elected officials, and Governor Jay Inslee himself during a visit to the Governor's Mansion. The day was brought, in part, by the Allied Daily Newspapers of Washington, Washington Newspaper Publishers Association (WNPA), and the Washington State Association of Broadcasters (WSAB).

Conversation topics included: new legislation being considered this session, transportation, homelessness and housing, budget, education, crime, government transparency, and the importance of journalism in upholding democracy.

Beginning at the ABC Conference Room, Rowland Thompson of the Allied Daily Newspapers of Washington briefed a room of select journalists throughout the state on new legislation being considered this 2023 session.

Of the roughly 57 bills discussed, four would directly affect a journalist's ability to do their job effectively, the WSAB said—HB1533, SB5644, HB1335, and SB5643. Although each bill deals with separate issues, if passed, these would restrict media's access to public information and subsequently restrict the ability to provide accurate information while reporting news stories, according to WSAB.

Following the legislative report, journalists were then invited to a four-hour roundtable discussion with several lawmakers including House Speaker Rep. Laurie Jenkins, Senate Majority Leader Sen. Andy Billig, House Republican Leader JT Wilcox, and Senate Republican Leader Sen. John Braun.

Speaker Jenkins shared that addressing an aging workforce is a key issue the Democrat Caucus will be addressing as baby boomers retire.

"The next generation cannot fill the spots baby boomers leave," said Jenkins. "So, we have to think about workforce in much more creative and aggressive ways than we have ever done before."

Senator Marko Lias attended on behalf of the Transportation Committee to discuss the increase in traffic fatalities and his Move Ahead Washington package. Lynnwood Times reporters asked Lias to share why he vouched for a reduction in statewide Blood Alcohol standards (to .05% — the lowest

in the nation) ahead of Washington State Patrol staffing levels increase to pre-COVID levels.

"The data shows that a driver drives impaired about 80 times before they're caught so we know that enforcement is not what's stopping people from driving drunk, it's the standards we set as a society," Sen. Lias told the Lynnwood Times. "The .05 limit is the most popular across the world, most countries are at .05 including most of Western Europe; the National Transportation Safety Board has recommended it since 2012—I think this is part of a National movement to bring that standard back to where the rest of the world is."

While lunches were distributed, State Elected Officials entered the conversation including Attorney General Bob Ferguson, State Treasurer Mike Pellicciotti, Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler, Commissioner of Public Lands Hillary Franz, and Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal.

With enrollment down 4 percent in the state, Reykdal shared that this is going to equate to approximately \$400 million a year that will not be coming to schools from the state budget. He shared that K through second grade is a third of the enrollment impacts and he wanted to be very clear that there are no "missing children" in Washington state as some media outlets have alleged.

"This state, for reasons I can never fathom, does not have a compulsory education law until age eight," said Reykdal. "So, one of the headlines that troubles me is 'missing children.' I genuinely don't believe there are no missing children as a result of the pandemic... What is happening here is that your K-2's, your 13,000 kids here, their families never had to tell us that they were starting their child in private school or home school environment; so, they were never in the system... No one needs to tell public schools in the state of Washington that five-year-olds, six-year-old, or seven-year-olds that they are not attending school."

He then shared that after the next five years, Washington will see a dramatic reduction in high school graduation class sizes due to declining birth rates which may result in schools and school districts merging.

"If I were to add up K through 5, you would see a hundred thousand fewer students than in grade six through 12," said Reykdal.

Lynnwood Times reporters asked Attorney General Ferguson about his assault rifle prohibition and if he would consider stricter requirements to obtaining a weapon instead of an outright ban.

"My responsibility as Attorney General, but also as a father, is to do what I can to protect folks in our state," said Ferguson. "For me banning the sale of those high-capacity magazines and those assault weapons is consistent with the second amendment and will improve the chances of the safety of our kids and community members across the state... the sale of these weapons should be stopped."

Lieutenant Governor Denny Heck and Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste then concluded the roundtable discussion before journalists attended a wine and cheese reception hosted by Chief Justice Steven Gonzalez at a residence on Columbia Street.

Heck's top priorities are civil engagement in political discourse, strengthening relations with British Columbia, and economic growth.

"Housing is the number one barrier to economic growth in our state," said Heck. "We are actively engaged in promoting any and all policies to be adopted that will enable us to increase the supply of housing."

Chief Batiste shared the struggle with

WSP to retain troopers and the challenges of covering parts of the state due to the rising cost of living.

"Brave journalists of integrity, including journalists of color have been reporting on the justice system and racial injustice in this nation for generations," said Chief Justice Gonzalez at the reception. "And the reporting you have done has led to scrutiny and change and improvement. You help us be informed so we can advocate for ourselves, and other, and we're eternally grateful for that."

The long, but enriching, day culminated at the Governor's Mansion for a soiree with Washington State Governor Jay Inslee and his wife Trudi.

"I want to thank you for your individual efforts on behalf of democracy," the Governor said to the room. "You are as much warriors of democracy as I am or any other elected official and your ability to create a common sense of facts and a place of arguments and forums is so pivotal."

The Governor then proceeded to discuss the state's housing crisis along with its mental health and substance abuse programs. Lynnwood Times reporters asked the Governor how the Blake laws being considered this session would relate to getting people off

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Seattle Chinese Times ad:

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週末朋友聚會除了吃飯和唱歌，好像很難想到有什麼其他有趣的活動吧？上周小編與幾位友人一同到了位於Redmond的一家提供虛擬實景遊戲和密室逃脫活動的場地-- FLEE Ultimate VR Aren...



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APPENDIX E

Social media posts



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The images below are examples of the Facebook posts Sound Transit that ran Feb. 28-March 7, April 1-8, and April 18-27 that linked to the online open house. These posts announced the Stride Program and invited viewers to take the pre-construction survey via the online open house. Below are examples in English, Simplified Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese.



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Stride sắp ra mắt công chúng!

Chia sẻ phản hồi trước ngày 8 tháng 4.

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APPENDIX F

Media coverage



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Shoreline Area News:

The following screenshots show an article announcing that Sound Transit was hosting public drop-in sessions to provide information to the public. This article was published March 1, 2023.



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Sound Transit hosting online open house and in-person drop in sessions about Stride 3 bus rapid transit (BRT)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023



Proposed bus stop design for Stride 3 on Bothell Way

Sound Transit has launched an online open house for the Stride bus rapid transit (BRT) project through April 8, 2023 at <https://stridebrt.participate.online>

The public can learn more about the latest design for the project and provide comment through an online survey. In addition to English, the online open house is available in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Sound Transit will also be hosting the following public meeting drop-in sessions for the public to learn more about the design, ask questions and share thoughts on future construction.

March 15: Lake Forest Park
 Brookside Elementary School
 17447 37th Ave. NE
 3pm - 7pm

March 22: Shoreline/Seattle
 Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church
 14724 1st Ave. NE
 3pm - 7pm

March 28: Kenmore
 Kenmore City Hall
 18120 68th Ave. NE
 4pm - 8pm

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- missing
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The Stride program is now at 60% design. The 30% design phase was completed in 2021 and 2022. At final design, the plans are finalized and made ready for construction. Sound Transit anticipates starting construction in 2024-2025 and starting service on some lines as early as 2026-2027.

With buses running as often as every 10 minutes, Stride will be a fast, frequent, and reliable bus service connecting to light rail and to communities north, east, and south of Lake Washington. Similar to light rail service, Stride is designed for convenient travel with fast arrivals and departures, including off-board fare payment and multiple-door entry and exit. New bus lanes and transit priority improvements will help riders avoid traffic.

The Stride bus fleet will include battery electric buses (BEBs) for a cleaner, more sustainable way to travel in the region.

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LFP Town Crier:

The following screenshots show an article announcing that Sound Transit was hosting public drop-in session in Lake Forest Park to provide information to the public. This article was published March 15, 2023.



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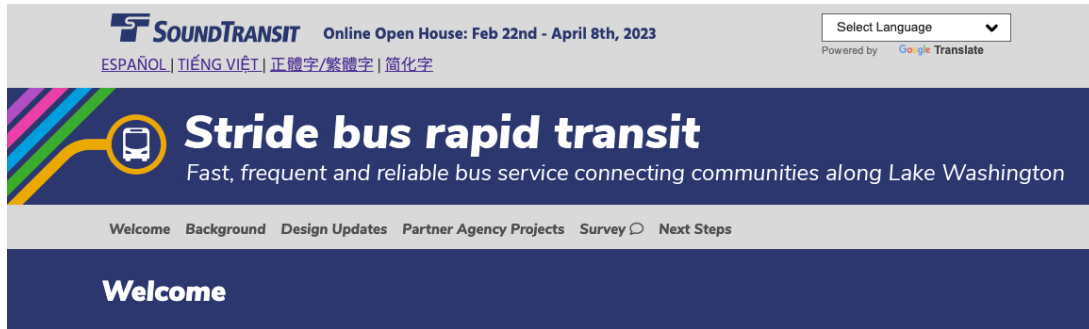
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Online open house



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The Online Open House ran Feb. 22 through April 28, 2023 and can be found on our [project website documents page](#). The image below shows a preview of the website launched on Feb. 22.

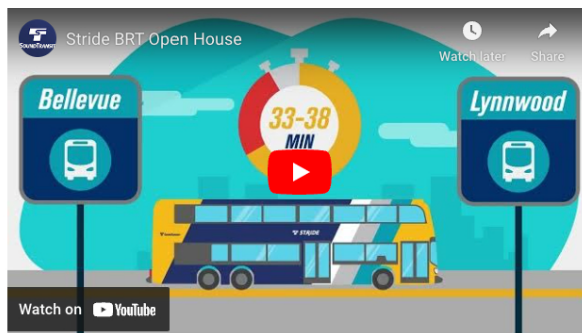


Stride is coming to you!

This online engagement website shares 60% design plans and updates for the public.

The goal of the Stride bus rapid transit (BRT) program is to provide more convenient and efficient ways for you to get to your destination, with frequent service every day throughout the region.

Watch our short video below for an introduction to Stride BRT



We are hosting public meeting drop-in sessions to share the 60% design plans. Come to your city's meeting to learn more about the design in your city, ask questions and share your thoughts on future construction.

March 15	March 22	March 28
<p>Lake Forest Park</p> <p>3 - 7 p.m.</p> <p>Brookside Elementary</p>	<p>Seattle / Shoreline</p> <p>3 - 7 p.m.</p> <p>Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church</p>	<p>Kenmore</p> <p>4 - 8 p.m.</p> <p>Kenmore City Hall</p>

Take our survey

We want to hear from you as we prepare for construction in your neighborhood.

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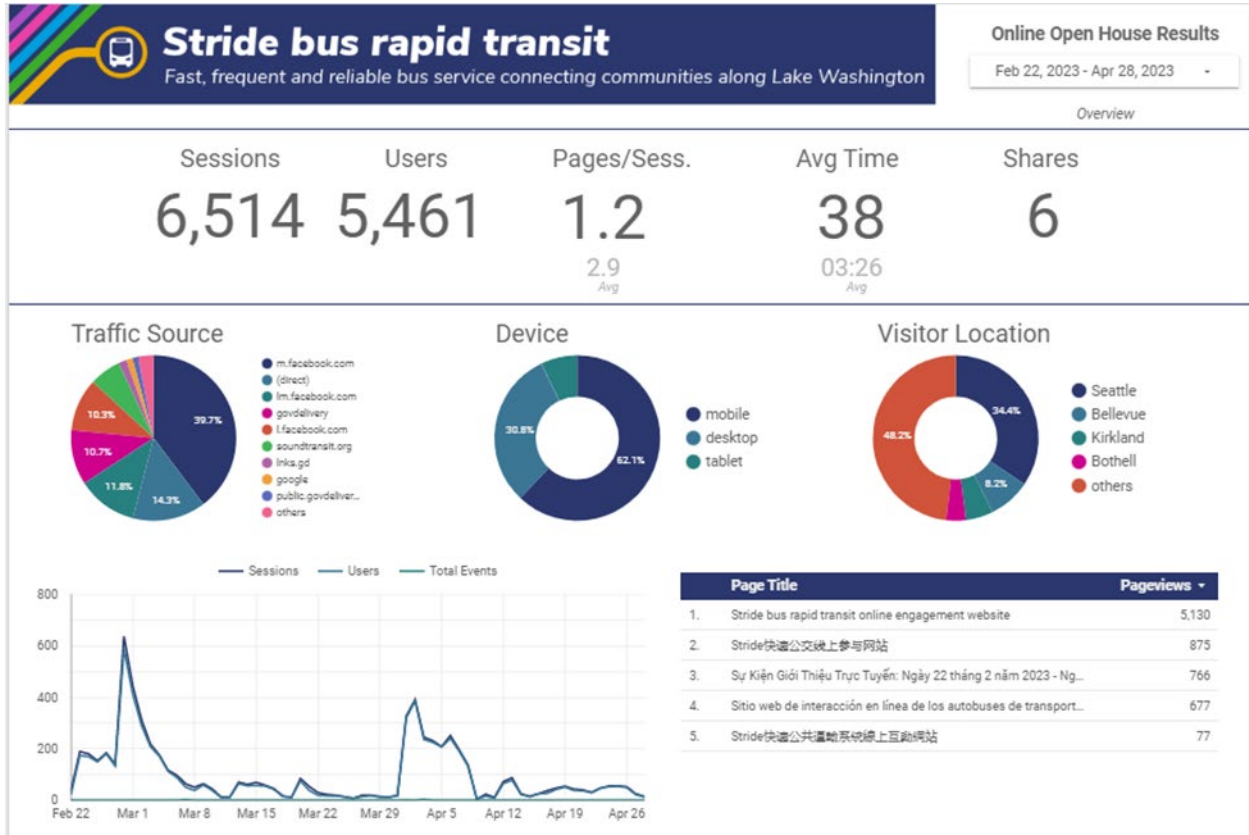
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Online open house analytics



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The following screenshot shows the analytics of the online open house (in English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Vietnamese and Spanish), including the total number of visits to the online open house, the number of unique visitors, the traffic sources of the visits and the average time spent on the online open house.





APPENDIX I

Online open house survey demographics



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The following screenshots show the age, ethnicity, and income level of the people that opted to provide demographic information on the pre-construction survey.

Question: What is your age?

Value	Percent	Responses
18 or under	1.0%	2
19-24	3.4%	7
25-34	10.2%	21
35-44	13.2%	27
45-54	14.6%	30
55-64	22.0%	45
65+	35.6%	73
		Totals: 205



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Question: What is your ethnicity?

Value	Percent	Responses
Asian	10.0%	20
Pacific Islander / Native Hawaiian	0.5%	1
Black or African American	1.5%	3
Hispanic / Latino	3.0%	6
Middle Eastern or North African	0.5%	1
White	62.5%	125
More than one race or ethnicity	6.5%	13
Another race or ethnicity	0.5%	1
Prefer not to say	15.0%	30

Totals: 200



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Question: What is your income?

Value	Percent	Responses
Less than \$30,000	3.5%	7
\$30,000 - \$49,999	3.5%	7
\$50,000 - \$74,999	10.0%	20
\$75,000 - \$99,999	13.0%	26
\$100,000 - \$124,999	9.0%	18
\$125,000 - \$149,999	3.0%	6
\$150,000 or more	23.0%	46
Prefer not to say	35.0%	70

Totals: 200

