



**MICHIGAN
GRAND RIVER
AVENUE**
TRANSPORTATION STUDY



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Michigan/Grand River Avenue Transportation Study

Identifying Station Locations

Fitting Into the Corridor

The Study Partners represent each of the communities along the Michigan/Grand River Corridor, including Lansing, Lansing Township, East Lansing, and Meridian Township. Along with input from the public, they have considered three questions while identifying possible transit station locations.

1. How do stations fit with the people, businesses, and other transportation along the Corridor?
2. How will the station function?
3. How will stations integrate with other transit modes in the Corridor?

Clearly, choosing station locations is more than simply creating stops at evenly spaced points along the Michigan/Grand River Corridor. Stations are more than places where people get on and off: stations can be exciting and attractive places that serve businesses and neighborhoods as centers of activity and economic growth. Looking at the alternative transit modes under consideration, the study team also considered that Modern Streetcar stops are usually one-eighth to one-quarter mile apart, while Bus Rapid Transit and Light Rail stops range between one-quarter mile to a mile apart, or more. By comparison, the current CATA Route 1 along the Corridor now has some 45 stops in each direction.

Station Function

There are many layers of criteria to consider when placing stations – major employment centers, higher-density neighborhoods, transit-dependent populations, major activity areas, feeder bus lines, train and bus stations, park-and-ride facilities, and intersections with traffic signals. Plus, we must consider “not only what is,” but “what could be developed” once more efficient transit serves the corridor. Stations can be an attractive addition to the area through unique design, art, color or other features. They need to be accessible to people of all ages and mobilities, provide transfers for other forms of transportation.

Development Potential

In cities across the country, new transit has resulted in new businesses, new residential areas and new shopping and entertainment venues. Often, these businesses and developments surround transit stations and provide a boost to the regional economy far greater than the cost of building the transit systems. Our study is taking into consideration several economic development initiatives that are already looking at opportunities for smarter use of land along the Corridor.

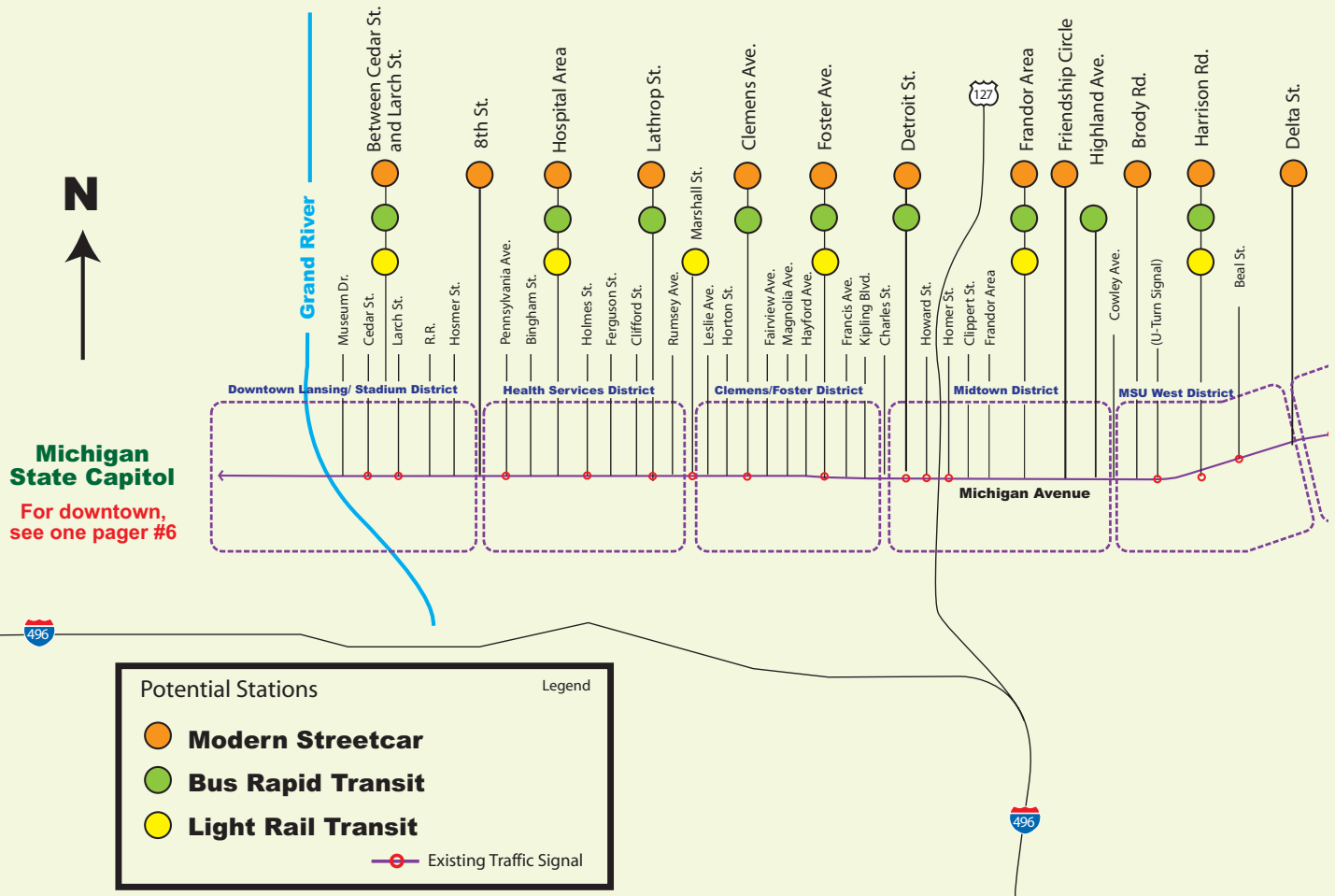


Your Participation Matters

Over the next decades, this critical Corridor can help our region grow and prosper, or it can be a transportation roadblock to success. The right choices are important to everyone who lives and works here. Visit the project website at www.migrtrans.org for updates on the study and how your voice can be heard. You can also become a Facebook fan of Michigan/Grand River Avenue Transportation Study.

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Potential Michigan Avenue Station Locations



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