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Metro Plans for Inauguration Weekend

Metrорail will operate rush hour service for 15 consecutive hours (4 a.m. to 7 p.m.), will stay open for two extra hours (until 2 a.m.), and will be one important transportation alternative for people who are planning to attend the Inauguration of President-elect Barack Obama on Tuesday, January 20, 2009.

Metro officials expect extremely crowded conditions on Inauguration Day. Metrорail stations and trains will be packed as people head to the Inauguration, and expect to see even tighter conditions afterward. Expect the crowds to be huge with hundreds of thousands of people expected to be in the nation's capital not only for Inauguration Day, but for the days preceding it as well.

The U.S. Secret Service has deemed the Inauguration as a special national security event and due to security measures, the Archives-Navy Memorial/Penn Quarter Metrорail station on Metro's Green and Yellow Lines, will be closed all day on Inauguration Day, Tuesday, January 20. In addition, one of two entrances to the Smithsonian Metrорail station on the Blue and Orange Lines will also be closed. The Smithsonian station entrance on the National Mall will be closed. The Independence Ave SW entrance will remain open.

Metrорail Travel

In anticipation of crowded trains, Metrорail will operate continuous rush hour service from 4 a.m. to 7 p.m., on Inauguration Day, Tuesday, January 20, and have extra personnel on hand to help patrons get to and from the events. Peak fares will be charged all day on January 20. Regular parking fees will be charged at Metro lots and garages on January 20.

Dates	Metrорail Hours	Special Metrорail Service	Parking
Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009	7 am to 3 am	Regular Saturday Schedule	Free

Sunday, Jan. 18, 2009	7 am to midnight	Regular Sunday Schedule	Free
Monday, Jan. 19, 2009 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday)	5 am to midnight	Saturday Holiday Service	Free
Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2009 (Inauguration Day)	4 am to 2 am	Rush-Hour Service Through 7 pm	Free

· Metrobus Travel

Metrobus will operate on a normal Saturday schedule. However, with the anticipated street closures around the Mall and Pennsylvania Avenue for the parade, all Metrobuses will be prepared for detours. Bus customers are encouraged to plan significant extra time to travel through these areas. No vehicular traffic, including buses, is expected to be able to pass close to the U.S. Capitol, nor will vehicles be able to cross Pennsylvania Avenue.

Dates	Special Metrobus Service
Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009	Regular Saturday Schedule
Sunday, Jan. 18, 2009	Regular Sunday Schedule
Monday, Jan. 19, 2009 (Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday)	Regular Weekday Service
Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2009 (Inauguration Day)	Saturday Service(expect major delays downtown)

· MetroAccess Travel

MetroAccess will operate identical hours to Metrorail and Metrobus over the Inauguration Weekend and through Inauguration Day. MetroAccess customers are encouraged to plan significant extra time to travel due to increased traffic throughout the service area. With the anticipated street closures around the National Mall and Pennsylvania Avenue for the parade on Inauguration Day, all MetroAccess users should be prepared for detours. MetroAccess customers are reminded to [reserve their trip](#) by 4:30 p.m., the day prior to travel.]

Metro \$1 Coin Campaign to Coincide with Inaugural Events

Metro Transit System Opens Its Doors to \$1 Coins in Time for Holiday

Season and Inaugural Events

A news conference is to be held by United States Mint Director Ed Moy and Metro's Chief Financial Officer Carol Kissal, to announce a new \$1 coin campaign. The news conference will take place at 10 a.m. ET on Monday, December 22, at the Metro Center Station in Washington, D.C.

Metro operates the second largest subway system and the fifth largest bus network in the United States. Currently, there are 86 Metrorail stations operating within a 106.3-mile network.

To view and download high-resolution images of the latest circulating

Presidential \$1 Coin, go to: <http://www.usmint.gov/pressroom/index.cfm?action=photo#Pres>

WMATA Metro Transit PD (MTPD)

The Metro Transit Police Department and the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) are collaborating to enhance security at Metrorail stations and on trains and buses during Inauguration Weekend. The Metro Transit Police strongly recommend that customers bring as little as possible with them when traveling through the Metrorail system to cut down on the possibility that items are left behind, resulting in the need for Metro or TSA officers to respond to reports of unattended items.

On Inauguration Day, all Metrorail station restrooms will be closed for security reasons.

DCDOT

<http://inauguration.dc.gov/bus.asp>

AMTRAK

Amtrak PD

· Preliminary stages of planning. Will update accordingly as information is received.

MARC

<http://www.mtmaryland.com/services/marc/inaugurationday/presidential-inauguration-day.cfm>

MARC Train Plans & Schedules

Martin Luther King Holiday - January 19, 2009

MTA will offer regular MARC Train service on the Penn Line and limited "S" services on the Brunswick and Camden Lines. No reservations required. Regular fares will apply, and passes will be accepted.

Presidential Inaugural Ceremonies - January 20, 2009

MARC service will operate reserved trains on special schedules. Round trip tickets cost \$25.00 (no regular MARC tickets will be accepted).

MARC Train service will operate inbound to Washington between 5:00am until 9:00am and outbound from 4:00pm until 9:00pm on all three lines (Penn, Camden and Brunswick). Penn Line service will not operate north of Baltimore's Penn Station. Passengers can board MARC Trains at selected stops along all the lines to and from Washington's Union Station.

[Penn Line](#) - 12 trains from Baltimore to Washington between 5am and 9am and then 12 trains from Washington to Baltimore between 4pm and 9pm

[Camden Line](#) - 7 trains from Baltimore to Washington between 6am and 10am and then 7 trains from Washington to Baltimore between 4pm and 9pm

[Brunswick Line](#) - 9 trains to Washington between 6am and 10am and then 9 trains from Washington between 4pm and 9pm

Commuter Bus Plans & Schedules

Martin Luther King Holiday - January 19, 2009

Commuter Bus shuttle service will be offered from designated Park & Ride locations to Metrorail stations. Reservations are not required and tickets can be purchased onboard. All shuttles will charge a \$10.00 round trip fare. Exact Change only.

Commuter Bus will operate the following shuttle service between 5:30am and 10:00am into the Metrorail stations and then between 4:00pm and 9:00pm from the Metrorail station:

[Frederick \(Monocacy Park & Ride\) to Shady Grove](#) every 30 minutes

[Columbia \(Broken Land Park & Ride\) to Greenbelt](#) every 30 minutes

[Scaggsville/Burtonsville to Silver Spring](#) every 30 minutes

[Annapolis to New Carrollton](#) every 30 minutes

[Kent Island to New Carrollton](#) every 60 minutes

[Prince Frederick/Dunkirk to Branch Avenue](#) every 30 minutes

[Upper Marlboro to Branch Avenue](#) every 30 minutes

[Charlotte Hall to Branch Avenue](#) every 30 minutes

[Waldorf \(Blue Crabs Stadium\) to Branch Avenue](#) every 20 minutes

Presidential Inaugural Ceremonies - January 20, 2009

Commuter Bus will operate shuttle service between 4:00am and 9:00am into the Metrorail stations and then between 4:00pm and 9:00pm from the Metrorail stations. Reservations are not required and tickets can be purchased onboard. All shuttles will charge a \$10.00 round trip fare. Exact change only. Listed below are the designated locations and frequency of service.

[Frederick \(Monocacy Park & Ride\) to Shady Grove](#) every 15 minutes

[Columbia \(Broken Land Park & Ride\) to Greenbelt](#) every 15 minutes

[Scaggsville/Burtonsville to Silver Spring](#) every 15 minutes

[Annapolis to New Carrollton](#) every 15 minutes

[Kent Island to New Carrollton](#) every 30 minutes

[Prince Frederick/Dunkirk to Branch Avenue](#) every 15 minutes

[Upper Marlboro to Branch Avenue](#) every 15 minutes

[Charlotte Hall to Branch Avenue](#) every 15 minutes

[Waldorf \(Blue Crabs Stadium\) to Branch Avenue](#) every 10 minutes

MARC Ticket Information and Purchase Instructions

MARC tickets will go on sale Saturday, December 20, 2008. Commemorative tickets for reserved MARC Train Service cost \$25.00 and covers round trip passage and a commemorative program booklet that will be distributed on Inaugural day. Your set of tickets is valid for round trip passage on January 20, 2009 only.

Each person traveling via MARC must have his or her own tickets. Children must also have a ticket to board the train. All tickets are marked for use on specific trains.

Tickets are valid only for the train and time reserved at the time of purchase. No exchanges will be allowed. Passengers who miss their reserved trains are asked to contact Amtrak station personnel for assistance.

VRE

<http://www.vre.org/Inauguration09/main.html>

Inauguration Service Information

This year's historic election of Barack Obama has generated great interest, and VRE will do its part to help people, from near and far, participate in the Presidential Inauguration Ceremonies.

Beginning at 5:05am, on Tuesday, January 20th, we will offer twelve northbound morning trains (six on the Fredericksburg Line and six on the Manassas Line) and fourteen afternoon/evening return trains (seven on each line), beginning at 1:30pm.

Inauguration Day trains will **not** make stops at Franconia/Springfield, Alexandria or Crystal City. For detailed information about the train times, please visit our [Inauguration Day Service schedule](#) page.

In anticipation of the expected high ridership for this day, all tickets are by reservation only. As a result, [special tickets](#) must be purchased through mail-order. (See our [Group Page](#) special ticketing information for buses and groups of 25 or more).

Regular VRE tickets will **NOT** be accepted. Due to the volume of expected crowds, this is a special event where crowding and security needs to be controlled. Also, please note, because this is a one-time event, special tickets will not be refunded.

VRE Security

- VRE will not be in service on January 18th or 19th
- VRE public service announcements; website announcements etc. between now and the inauguration will encourage passengers traveling to the inaugural events via VRE not to bring strollers; back packs; (large) umbrellas; etc. onto the trains inasmuch as it's anticipated that checkpoints at said events will most likely not allow said items.
- Full/Regular service will be provided by VRE on 20 December
 - However; on the VRE will not stop at the Franconia/Springfield; Alexandria or Crystal City Metrorail stations
- Twelve (12) trains total are scheduled to "run" on 20 December.
- All seats will be reserved on VRE trains on 20 December. Tickets will be color coded and will cost \$25 per ticket and tickets may be purchased on line via VRE's website <http://www.vre.org/Inauguration09/tixinfo.html>.
- Based on peak hours vs. other factors; VRE trains with vary between 4 – 8 car train consists throughout the day.

PRTC – OmniRide (Commuter Bus)

<http://www.omniride.com>

No Inauguration Day Service info provided as of 12/16/08

Loudoun County Transit (Commuter Bus)

<http://www.loudoun.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=785>

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