



Transit Development Plan Overview and Columbia Pike Transportation Update

- Transit policy framework
- Transit ridership in Arlington
- Capital investments on Columbia Pike
- Near-term service enhancements
- Transit Development Plan process
- Opportunities for public input

- County Board-adopted policy guides our transit investments
 - Transit policy history:
 - Master Transportation Plan (MTP) Goals and Summary: November 2007
 - MTP Transit Element: June 2009
- The MTP's goals and policies for transit include:
 - Increasing transit service options
 - Improving access to transit services for all
 - Improving transit facilities
 - Creating multimodal centers for convenient transfers
 - Expanding transit information distribution and marketing outreach
 - Employing environmentally-sensitive technologies

Transit Ridership Increasing

Arlington's focus on developing high-quality transit is moving more people without more traffic



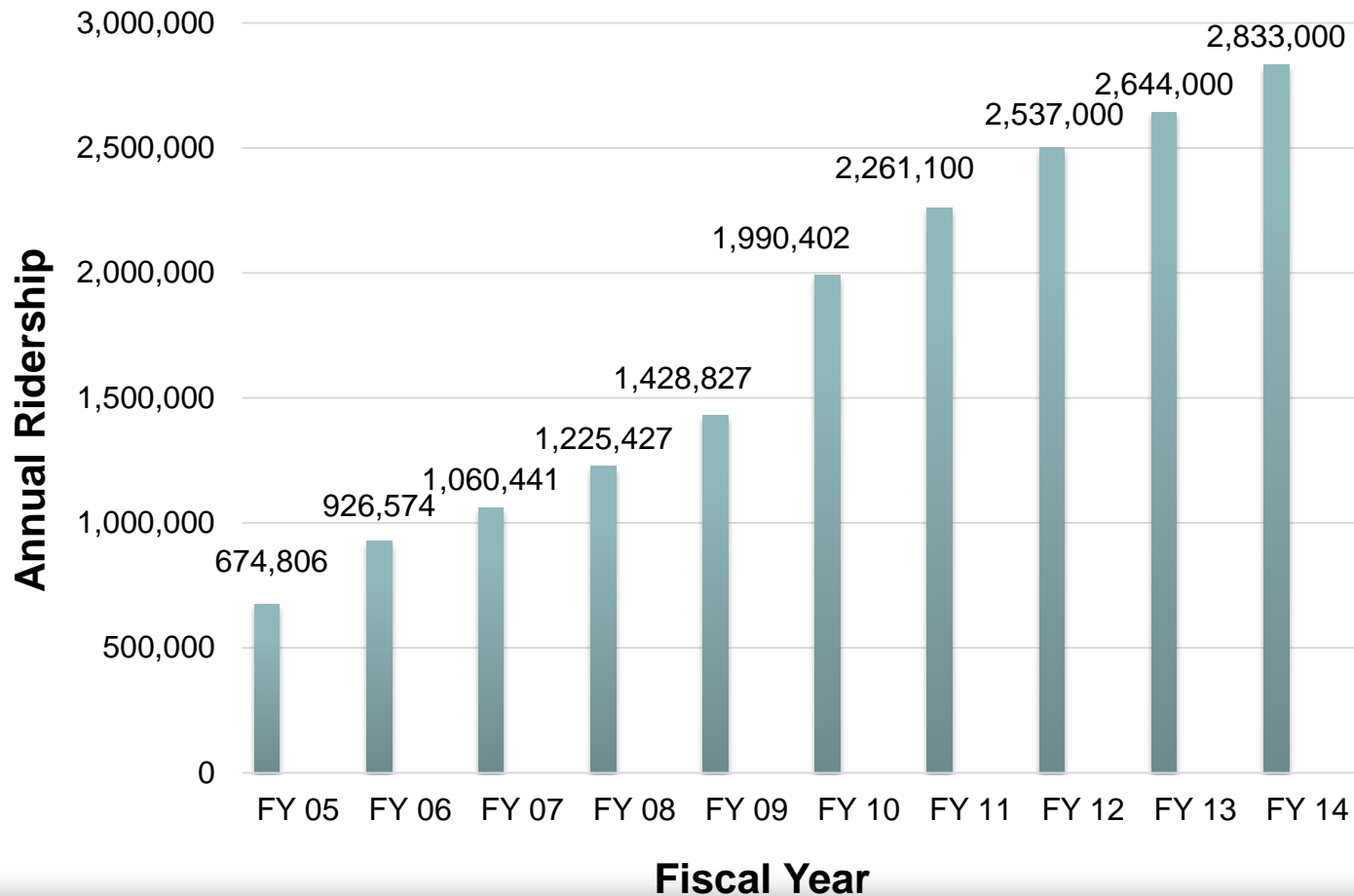
Transit ridership grew significantly over 15-year period

	FY1996 Actual	FY2013 Actual	% Growth
Metrorail Arlington Stations	45,335,000	59,528,744	31.3%
Metrobus Arlington Routes	12,049,000	14,848,036	23.2%
VRE – Crystal City	567,000	1,102,076	94.4%
Arlington Transit (ART)	105,000	2,644,000	2,518%
Total Annual Ridership	58,076,000	78,122,856	34.5%

40% of Virginia's total annual transit ridership is from Arlington-related trips

Local Bus Ridership Growing

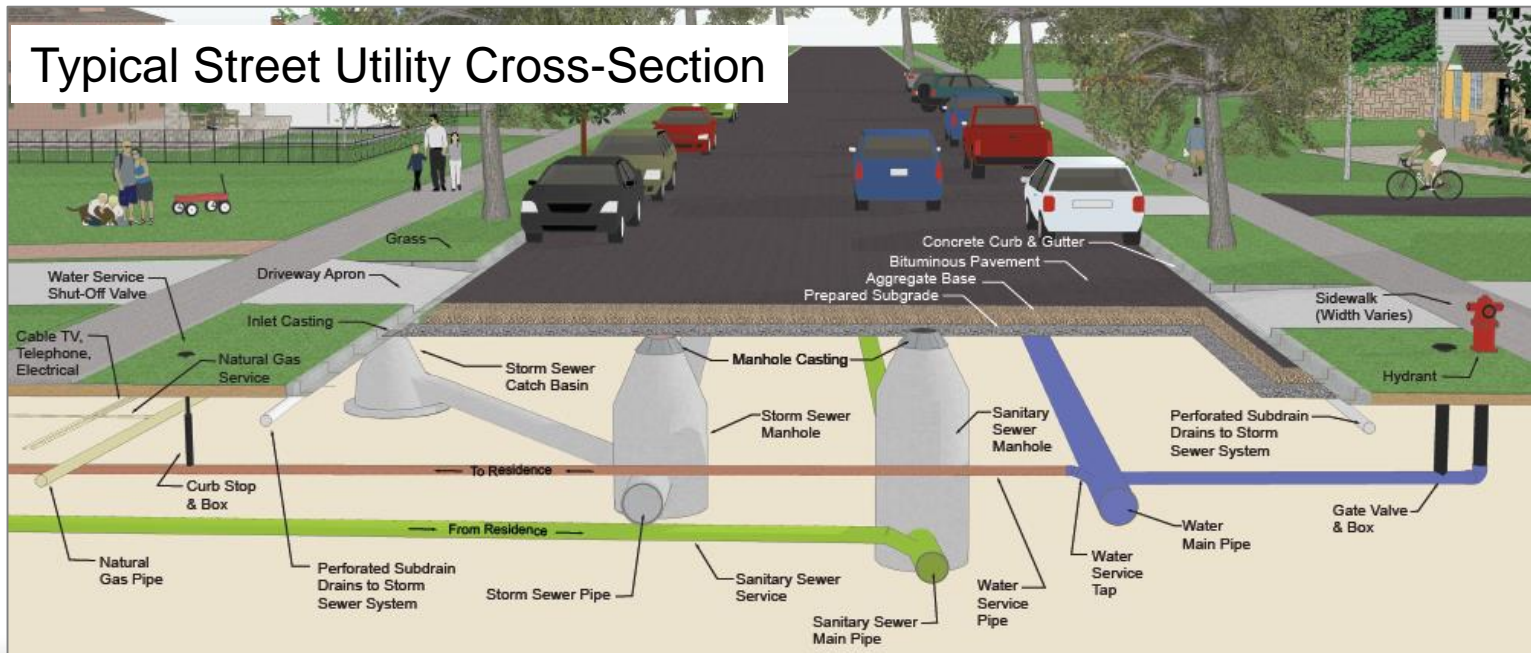
Along with ridership, satisfaction with ART hits new high – 90% of riders are satisfied or very satisfied (2013 survey)



Multimodal Street Design and Utility Undergrounding



Typical Street Utility Cross-Section



Transit Stations



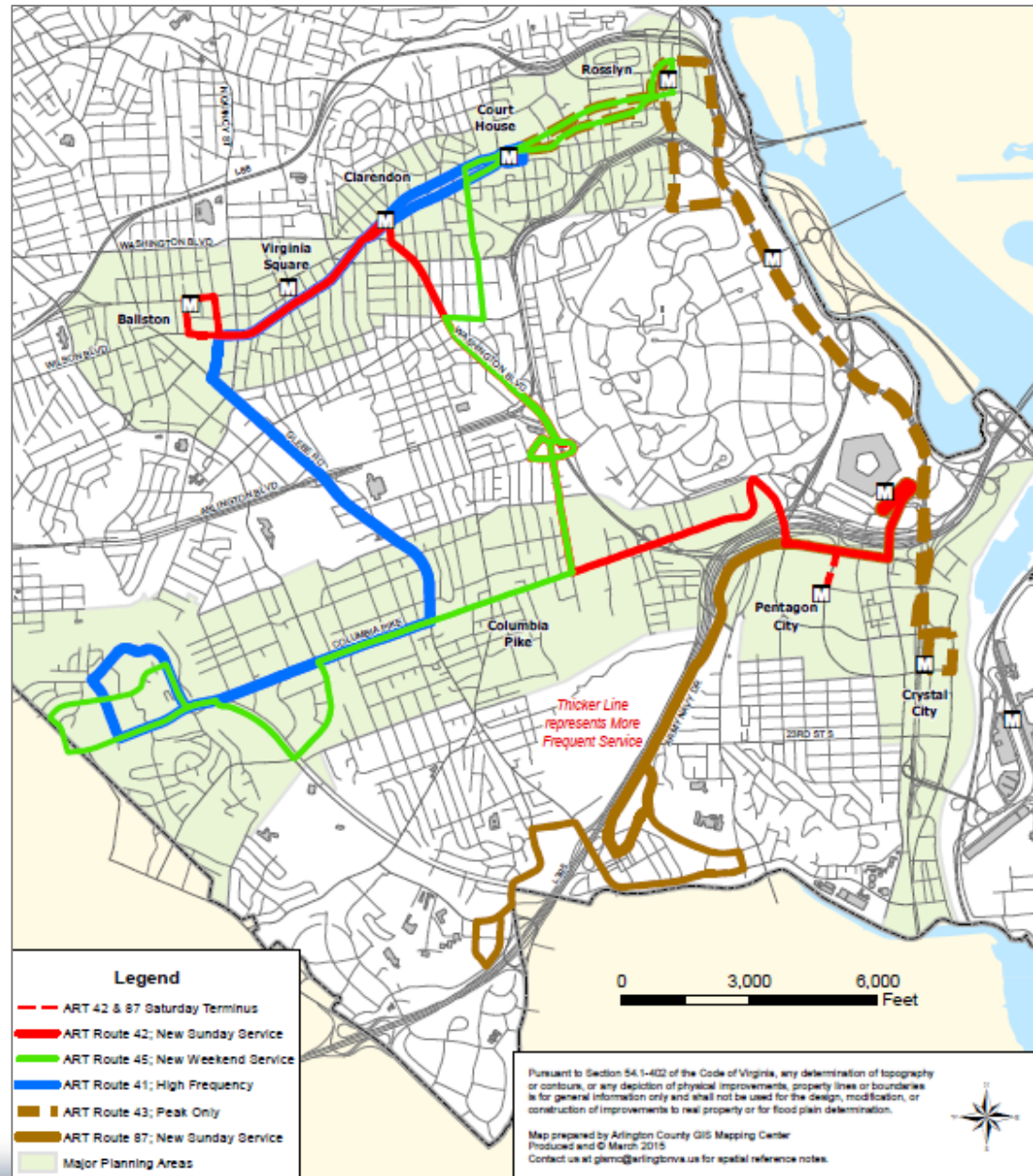
New stations will consolidate stops along the Pike and make transit easier, safer, more attractive and accessible

ART Service Enhancements

Starting July 2015,
County is improving
ART service in:

- Columbia Pike
- Pentagon City
- Crystal City

And to destinations
in the Rosslyn-
Ballston corridor
and Shirlington



Near-Term Service Enhancements

Service Description and Improvements

Route #	Route Name	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday	Start Date
41	Columbia Pike / Ballston / Courthouse	<p>Service Span: 5:30 am to 1:30 am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-min. consistent frequency to 7:30 pm • 25-min. frequency after 7:30 pm 	<p>Service Span: 6 am to 1:30 am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17-min. average frequency until 9:30 pm • 25-min. frequency after 7:30 pm 	<p>Service Span: 7 am to 10 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22-min. frequency in morning • 17-min. average frequency to 7 pm • 30-min. frequency after 7 pm 	July 2015
42	Ballston / Columbia Pike / Pentagon	<p>Service Span: 6 am to 11 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17-min. peak period frequency • 36-min. frequency midday; 35 min. at night 	<p>Service Span: 6:30 am to 11 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redirect service from Pentagon to Pentagon City Metro • 33-min. frequency 	<p>New Service: 7 am to 7 pm between Ballston and Pentagon City</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33-min. frequency 	January 2016
43	Crystal City / Rosslyn / Courthouse	<p>Service Span: 5:55 am to 9:40 am & 3:20 pm to 7:30 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10-min. frequency 			July 2015
45	Columbia Pike / DHS Sequoia / Rosslyn	<p>Service Span: 5:45 am to 11 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22-min. peak period frequency • 30-min. midday frequency • 30-min. frequency after 7:30 pm 	<p>New Service: 6 am to 11:30 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30-min. frequency 	<p>New Service: 7 am to 7:30 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30-min. frequency 	January 2016

- County will undertake major update of TDP this year to:
 - Re-examine transit needs and prioritize service and capital improvements
 - Develop ‘cost affordable’ 10-year plan for new services and supporting capital improvements
 - Ensure improvements are eligible for State funding
 - Inform next update of County’s Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- Submission to Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation required by spring 2016

TDP Development Process

- Development of the TDP will involve:
 - System-wide analysis of bus service (both ART and Metrobus routes in the County)
 - Detailed review of Columbia Pike and Crystal City-Pentagon City corridors
 - Coordination with other local and regional planning efforts
 - Community input throughout
- TDP will outline additional efforts needed to refine and implement transit strategies
 - After TDP is adopted, County will undertake detailed planning and engineering work to implement transit improvements

Timeframe	Public Input Opportunity
Spring 2015	Survey for residents, riders on transit needs
Fall 2015	Public meetings on initial service and infrastructure recommendations
Spring 2016	County Board review and approval of service and infrastructure recommendations

County staff are providing community briefings about the TDP update and ways people can engage. A list of upcoming events is online:

Visit arlingtonva.us and search “transit development plan”

Questions?



Coming up...
Transit Stations presentation