

SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT

Project Overview and Background

Nearly every passenger trip begins or ends on the roadside at one of MARTA's almost 9,000 bus stops, and missing sidewalks or unsafe crossings can create real barriers to mobility for MARTA's customers.

The Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) project initiated in late 2023 to provide safe, accessible connections to existing MARTA bus stops and amenities across three U.S. Congressional Districts (4, 5, 13). This project aims to improve at least 96 bus stop locations in total. Find out more about this project at www.itsmarta.com/marta-board-advances-safe-routes.aspx

Site Selection Process

A three-step process was developed to identify, evaluate, and prioritize MARTA's 8,000+ bus stops into a list of potential projects. Equal distribution across the congressional districts and the MARTA service area were considered.

STEP 1:

Initial Filters

- GDOT Safety Study
- Equity
- Bus Network Redesign

STEP 2:

Prioritization Metrics

- Ridership
- Safety (Regional crash data + high risk/injury networks)
- Speed
- Connectivity/Access

STEP 3:

Prioritized Sites List

 Qualitative review of MARTA capital projects and local planned/programmed projects against prioritized sites list

Equal distribution across MARTA jurisdictions and Congressional Districts

Concept Design

After the initial site selection and prioritization process, a series of technical design workshops were held to recommend designs best addressing the safety concerns at each site.

Examples of design elements included Americans with Disabilities Act ramps at intersections, small sidewalk segments, etc.

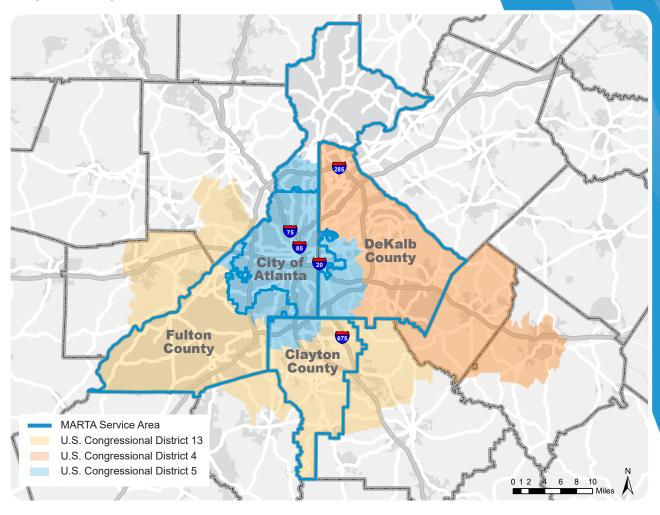




Examples of potential SR2T improvements such as enhanced pedestrian crossings and improved sidewalk connections



Project Study Area



Project Schedule

FALL

Stop Evaluation
+ Site Selection

Process

MARTA bus stops were evaluated and project sites were selected in Fall/Winter of 2023 and early 2024.

Finalize Site Locations + Design Approach

WINTER

2024

In early 2024, project sites moved forward into the concept design process and the team began preparing for engagement.

Concept Designs + 30% Final Design Plans

FALL

2024

Stakeholders will be engaged to review and provide feedback on concept designs.

Implementation

SPRING

2025

Once 30%
Final Design is prepared, MARTA will coordinate with a Design-Build contractor for 100% Final Design and construction.