

Economic Development

- Rail is a catalyst for jobs and economic development.
- Since 2008, there has been \$17.5 billion in public and private investment along light rail and streetcar corridors.

Traffic Congestion Reduction

- Light rail and streetcar provide a compact alternative to single-occupancy vehicles, alleviating traffic congestion.
- Light rail and streetcar can carry up to 175 and 120 passengers per vehicle, respectively.



Light Rail

Facts

- 30 miles
- 41 stations
- 59 vehicles
- 15-minute service (Mon-Sat)
- 20-minute service (Sun)
- \$2.00 Fare for 1-ride

Streetcar

Facts

- 3 miles
- 14 stops
- 6 vehicles
- 20-minute service (Mon-Sun)
- Fare: currently free
\$1.00 fare begins August 2025

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If you're interested in riding Valley Metro light rail or streetcar, access our app for real-time schedules, trip navigation and fare payment.



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How Valley Metro Rail Benefits the Region

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Importance of Valley Metro Rail to the Valley

Light rail and streetcar provide many distinct benefits to the Phoenix metro area.

Mobility

- Light rail and streetcar provide transportation service that is vital to increased mobility for all Valley residents.
- This is especially important for people with disabilities and with minimal access to personal vehicles.
- In 2024, light rail and streetcar combined carried 10.9 million riders.

Air Quality & Emissions

- Light rail and streetcar run entirely on electricity and produce no air pollution or emissions.
- In fiscal year 2023, Valley Metro light rail and streetcar offset 82,000 tons of emissions in the region.
- That’s equivalent to taking 17,300 cars off the road annually.



Phoenix Skyline from Metrocenter

High-Capacity Transit Map

This map shows all current and future high-capacity transit corridors in the Regional Transportation Plan. Future light rail, streetcar and bus rapid transit (BRT) extensions will further connect the Phoenix metro area and increase mobility. The current 30-mile light rail system connects northwest and downtown Phoenix to Mesa and Tempe, allowing for riders to make connections to different cities without the need to transfer lines. The rail system in metro Phoenix continues to expand with the construction of the South Central Extension/Downtown Hub. The Capitol Extension, which will extend light rail west to the State Capitol area from downtown Phoenix, is currently in the advanced design phase.

