#85 - CENTRAL (Previously CMC #38-CENTRAL) - Bus Route History

We 10-03-1928 Began CHICAGO MOTOR COACH CO #38-CENTRAL bus service from Lexington "Y" via Central- Lawrence to Long-Higgins-Milwaukee-Lawrence loop
Su 06-08-1930 Replaced CMC buses with CSL #85-CENTRAL trolley buses from Lexington "Y" via Central-Edmunds to Avondale "Y" (North Av garage)
Su 08-03-1930 Rerouted and extended trolley buses via Central-Goodman-Central to Central-Milwaukee-Foster loop
We 01-27-1943 Transferred some work from North Av garage to Lawrence garage
We 10-01-1947 Route passes to CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY
Fr 11-17-1950 Rerouted trolley buses via Central to Milwaukee terminal
Su 05-30-1954 Transferred Lawrence garage portion of work to North Park garage
Su 08-01-1954 Rerouted trolley buses via Central to Harrison terminal
Su 12-04-1955 Extended trolley buses from Milwaukee via Central to Bryn Mawr-Elston-Central loop except Mon-Fri rush, transferred trolley bus work from North Ave and North Park garages to Forest Glen garage
Xx ??-??? Began operating trolley buses through Forest Glen garage yard
Su 01-18-1970 Replaced trolley buses with motor buses
Su 02-01-1970 Rerouted buses via Central-Higgins-Gale-Milwaukee-Jefferson Park station terminal-Milwaukee-Central, also rerouted Mon-Fri rush buses via Central-Higgins-Gale-Milwaukee to Jefferson Park terminal
Mo 12-04-1972 Extended Mon-Fri rush buses to Bryn Mawr/Elston
Su 01-09-1994 Extended buses via Central-Harrison to Laramie-Lexington-Cicero-Harrison loop
Su 05-18-1996 Cut back all buses via Central to Harrison terminal
Sa 04-25-1998 Discontinued owl service

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