

# Now, More Ways to Express Yourself

**New Express Bus Service**

## With Expanded, Faster Service to and from Downtown

More routes. More buses. More service between downtown and North Side lakefront neighborhoods. Weekdays and weekends. During rush periods, and then some.



## North Lake Shore Drive Bus Service Improvements

To better serve commuters along North Lake Shore Drive, the CTA is introducing three new express routes, and making improvements and modifications to five other express routes in order to provide faster, more efficient service to and from downtown.

Each route will serve a specific local area and will then enter Lake Shore Drive from a different point of entry, which will significantly improve travel time. Customers will have more options to and from downtown. Service on most of these routes will be provided in the direction of peak travel during the morning and evening rush periods.

- New Sunday/holiday service and revised daily service begins Sunday, August 31.
- New and revised weekday rush period service begins Tuesday, September 2.

## Need Information?

### We're Listening

Comment, commendation or inquiry?  
Call 1-888-YOUR-CTA (1-888-968-7282) weekdays 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., or leave a voice mail message at other times.  
TTY: 1-888-CTA-TTY1 (1-888-282-8891).

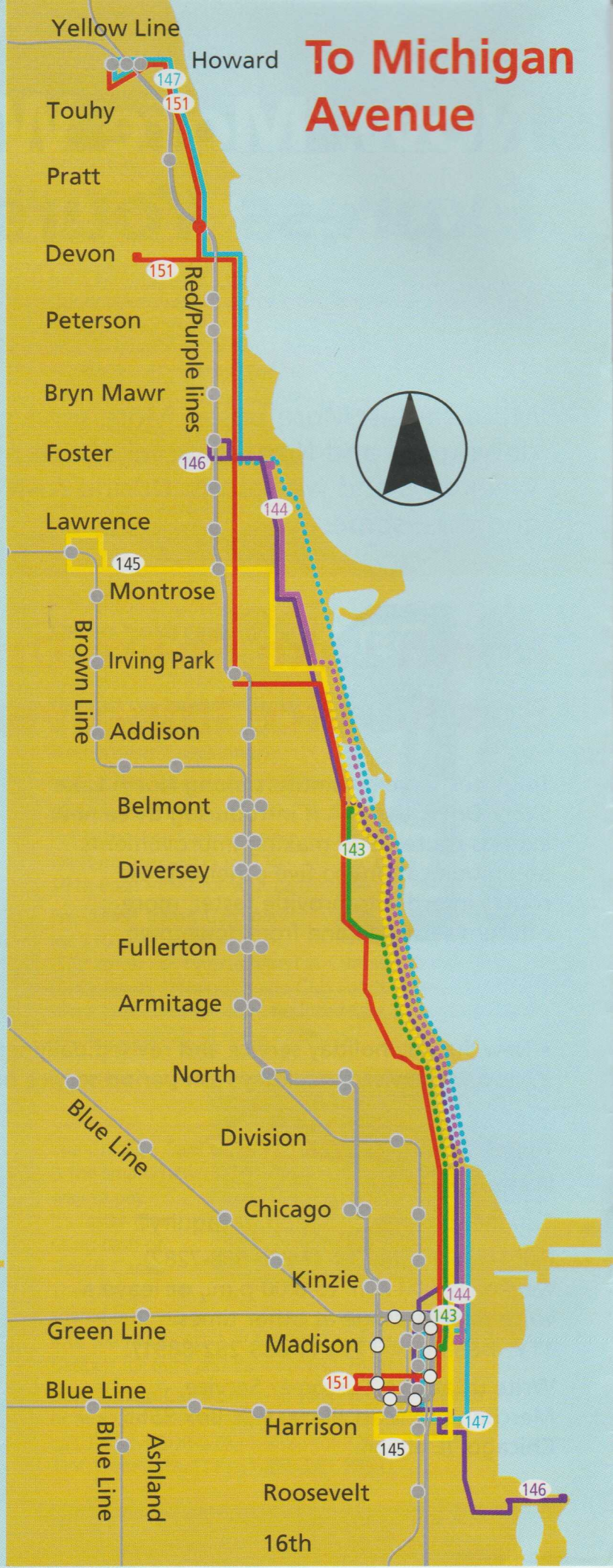
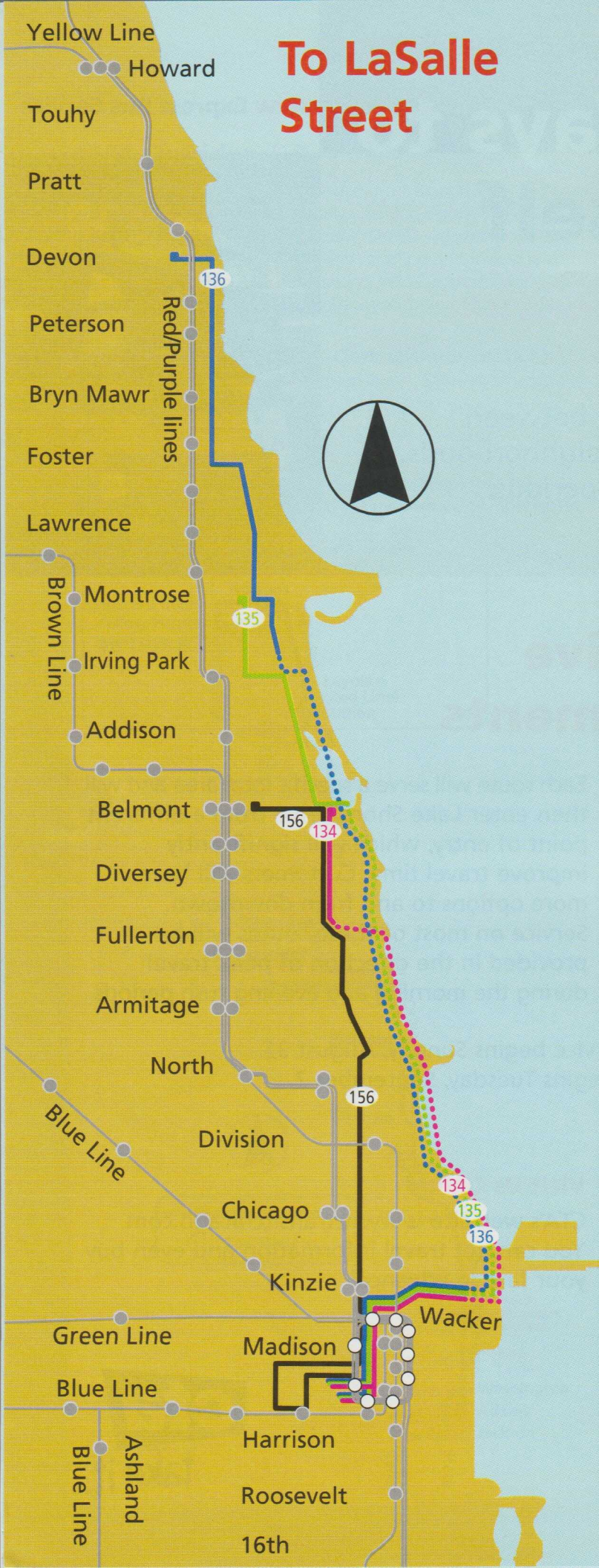
Write us at CTA Customer Service,  
Merchandise Mart Plaza, P.O. Box 3555,  
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You can get travel information and even buy your fare in advance!

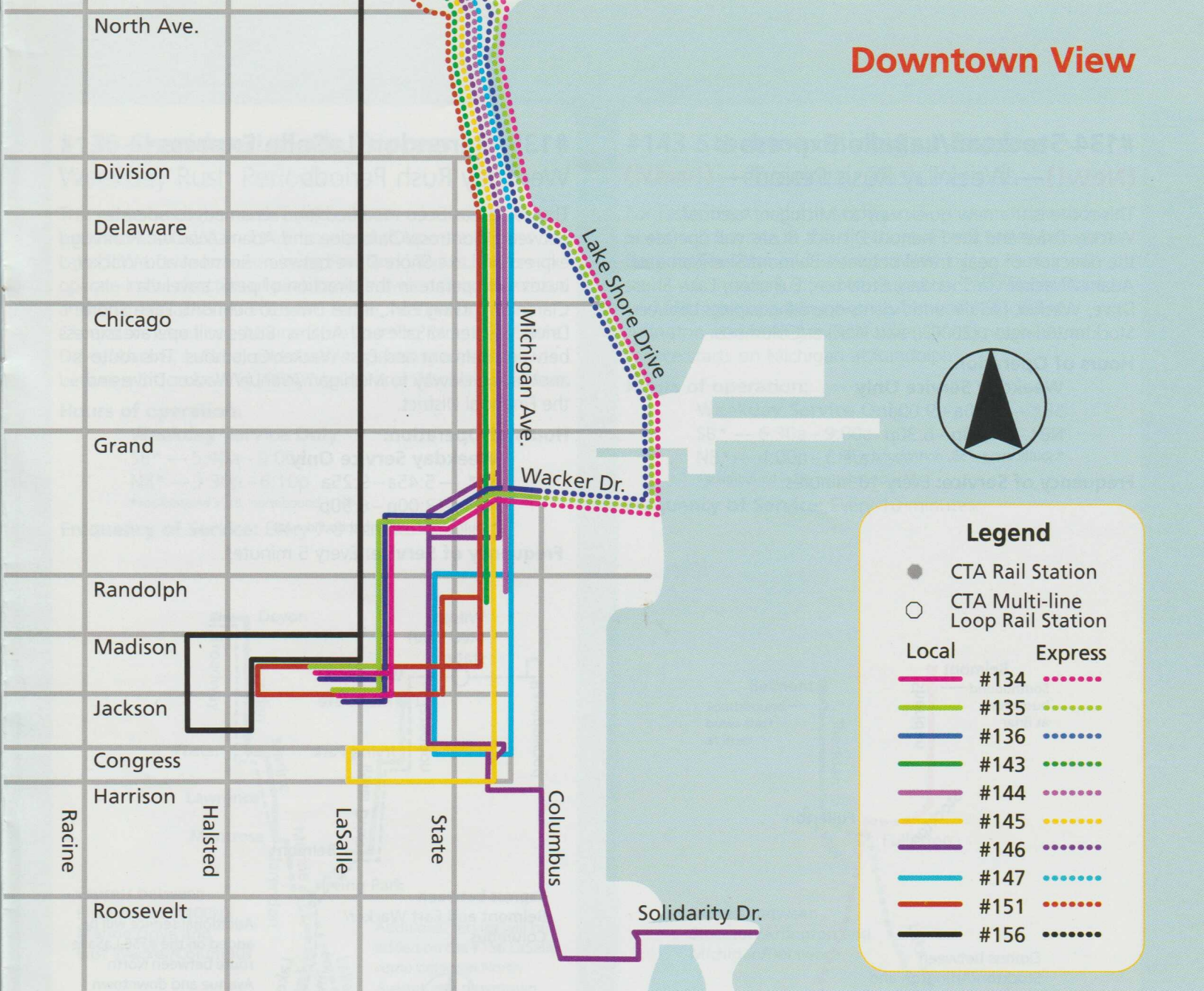








## Downtown View



## Lots of Options!\*

### Here is a brief summary:

**#134 Stockton/LaSalle Express & (New!)** — Local service from Belmont/Sheridan to Fullerton/Stockton. Express to East Wacker/Columbus.

**#135 Clarendon/LaSalle Express** — Local service from Montrose/Clarendon to Belmont/Lake Shore Drive. Express to East Wacker/Columbus.

**#136 Sheridan/LaSalle Express &** — Local service from Devon/Broadway to Irving Park/Lake Shore Drive. Express to East Wacker/Columbus.

**#143 Stockton/Michigan Express & (New!)** — Local service from Belmont/Sheridan to Fullerton/Stockton. Express to Michigan/Delaware.

**#144 Marine/Michigan Express & (New!)** — Local service from Foster/Marine Drive to Irving Park/Lake Shore Drive. Express to Michigan/Delaware.

**#145 Wilson/Michigan Express** — Local service between Lawrence/Damen (Damen (Brown Line) station) and Irving Park. Express to Michigan/Delaware.

**#146 Inner Drive/Michigan Express** — Local service between Berwyn/Broadway (Berwyn (Red Line) station) and Belmont/Lake Shore Drive. Express to Michigan/Delaware. More buses and increased frequencies.

**#147 Outer Drive Express &** — Local service from the Howard (Red Line) station to Foster/Sheridan. Express to Michigan/Delaware.

**#151 Sheridan &** — Local service between Clark/Devon and Union Station, when #147 Outer Drive Express & operates. At other times, the route is extended to the Howard (Red Line) station.

**#156 LaSalle** — Weekday service operates between Belmont/Halsted and Des Plaines/Harrison, with additional peak frequency service (more buses) south of North Avenue to serve LaSalle.

\* The routes described in this brochure are a part of a 180-day experiment aimed at better matching service with customers' travel patterns and needs. The changes also correspond with job, development and population shifts over the last 20 years.



## #134 Stockton/LaSalle Express & (New!) — Weekday Rush Periods

This route is the new quick way to Michigan Avenue/Wacker Drive and the Financial District. Buses will operate in the direction of peak travel between Belmont/Sheridan and Adams/Wacker via Sheridan, Stockton, Fullerton, Lake Shore Drive, Wacker, LaSalle and Adams operating express between Stockton/Arlington (2500N) and Wacker/Columbus.

### Hours of Operation:

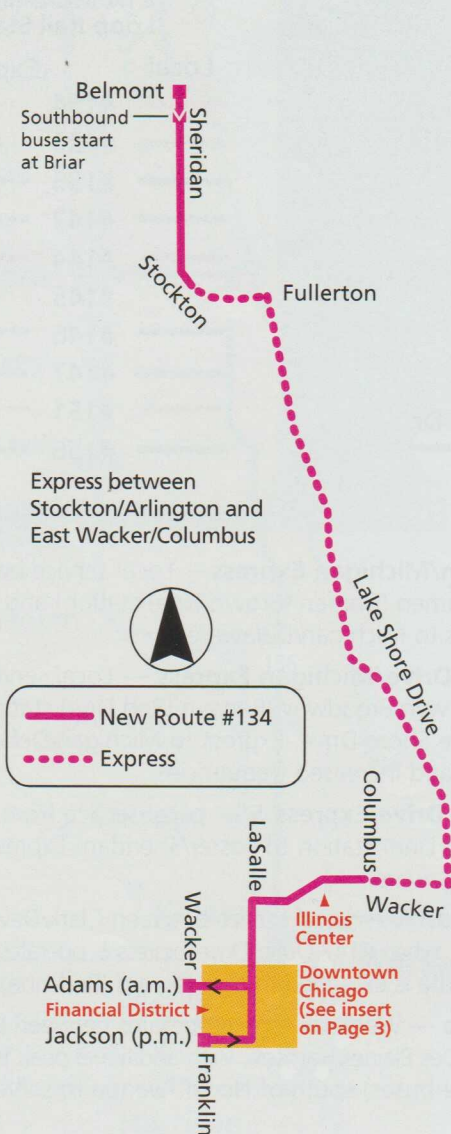
#### Weekday Service Only

SB\* — 6:30a – 9:00a

NB\* — 4:00p – 6:30p

\* southbound = SB, northbound = NB

**Frequency of Service:** Every 10 minutes.



## #135 Clarendon/LaSalle Express — Weekday Rush Periods

This route has been modified (and renamed) to operate between Montrose/Clarendon and Adams/Wacker. Running express on Lake Shore Drive between Belmont and Wacker, buses will operate in the direction of peak travel via Clarendon, Irving Park, Inner Drive to Belmont, Lake Shore Drive, Wacker, LaSalle and Adams. Buses will operate express between Belmont and East Wacker/Columbus. This route is another quick way to Michigan Avenue/Wacker Drive and the Financial District.

### Hours of Operation:

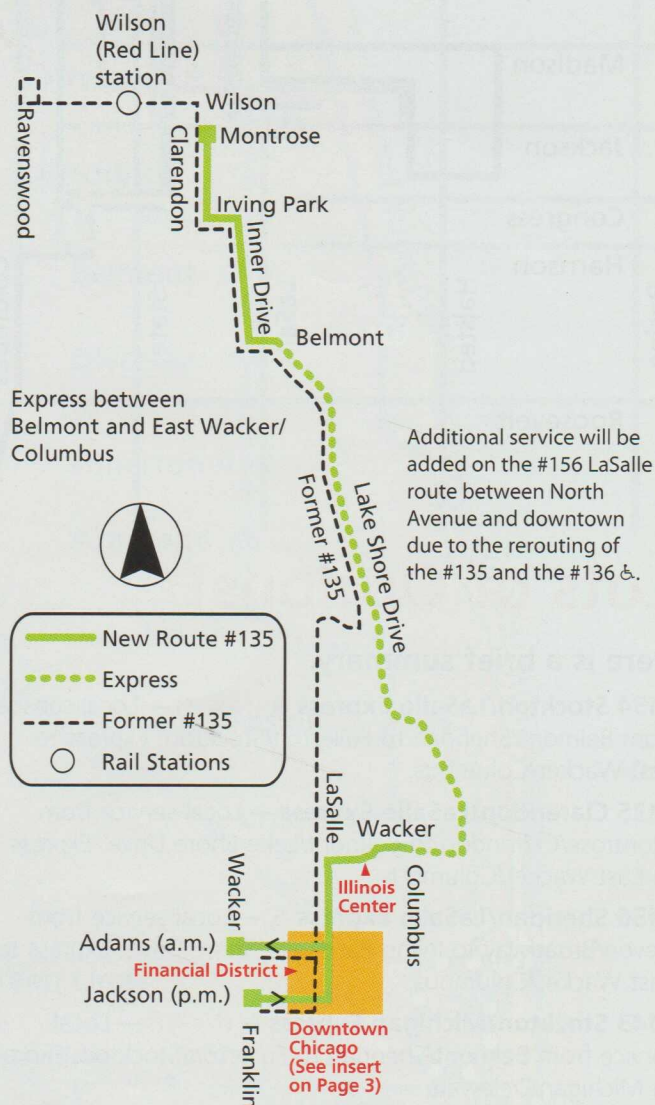
#### Weekday Service Only

SB\* — 5:45a – 9:25a

NB\* — 3:00p – 6:50p

\* southbound = SB, northbound = NB

**Frequency of Service:** Every 5 minutes.





## #136 Sheridan/LaSalle Express & — Weekday Rush Periods

This route has been modified to operate on Clarendon between Lawrence and Montrose and to operate express on Lake Shore Drive between Irving Park and Wacker. Buses will operate in the direction of peak travel between Devon/Sheridan and Adams/Wacker via Sheridan, Foster, Marine Drive, Clarendon, Montrose, Marine Drive to Irving Park, Lake Shore Drive, Wacker, LaSalle, and Adams operating express between Bittersweet (4100N)/Marine and Wacker/Columbus.

### Hours of operation:

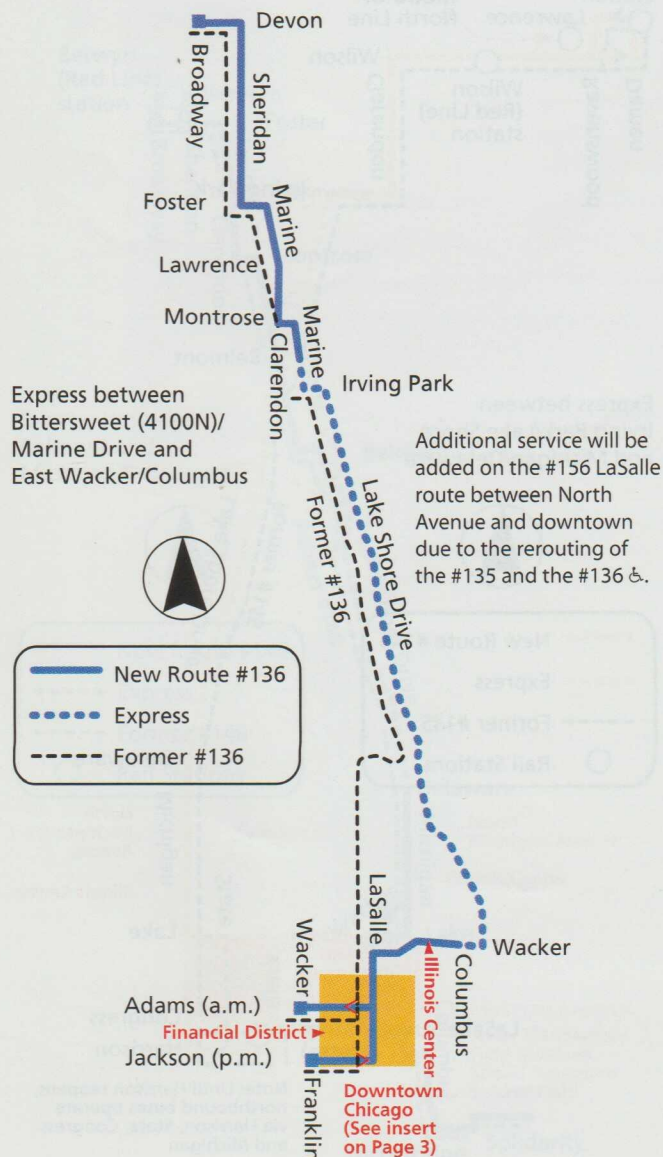
#### Weekday Service Only

SB\* — 5:40a – 9:00a

NB\* — 3:30p – 6:10p

\*southbound = SB, northbound = NB

**Frequency of Service:** Every 7-8 minutes.



## #143 Stockton/Michigan Express & (New!) — Weekday Rush Periods

For faster trips to North Michigan Avenue and downtown, buses will operate in the direction of peak travel between Belmont/Sheridan and Michigan/Washington. Buses will travel via Sheridan, Stockton, Fullerton, Lake Shore Drive and Michigan operating express between Stockton/Arlington and Michigan/Delaware. Evening rush period service starts on Michigan at Randolph.

### Hours of operation:

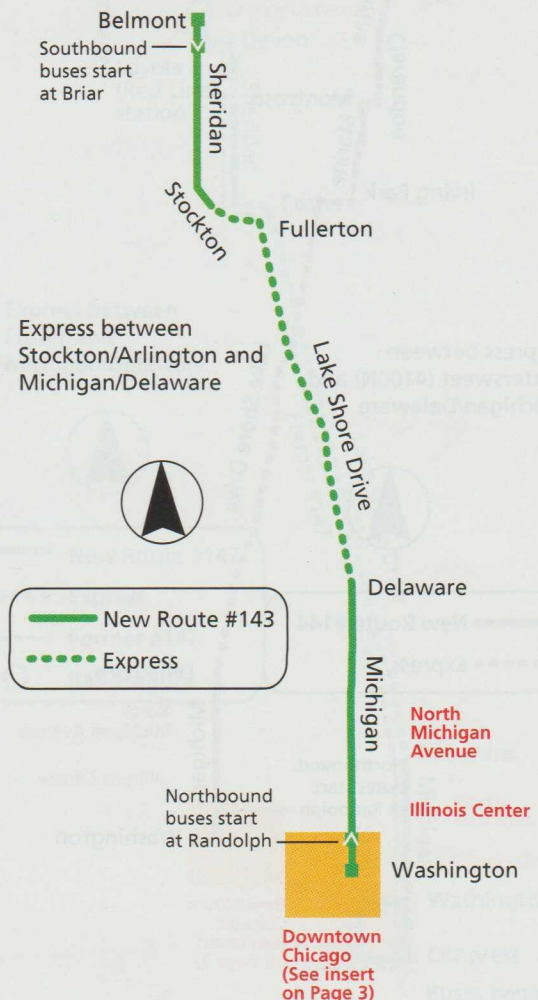
#### Weekday Service Only

SB\* — 6:30a – 9:00a

NB\* — 4:00p – 6:30p

\*southbound = SB, northbound = NB

**Frequency of Service:** Every 10 minutes.





## #144 Marine/Michigan Express & (New!)—Weekday Rush Periods

This route will provide faster service to North Michigan Avenue and downtown. Buses will operate in the direction of peak travel between Foster/Marine Drive and Michigan/Washington via Marine Drive, Clarendon, Montrose, Marine Drive, Lake Shore Drive and Michigan operating express between Bittersweet/Marine Drive and Michigan/Delaware. Evening rush service starts on Michigan at Randolph.

### Hours of operation:

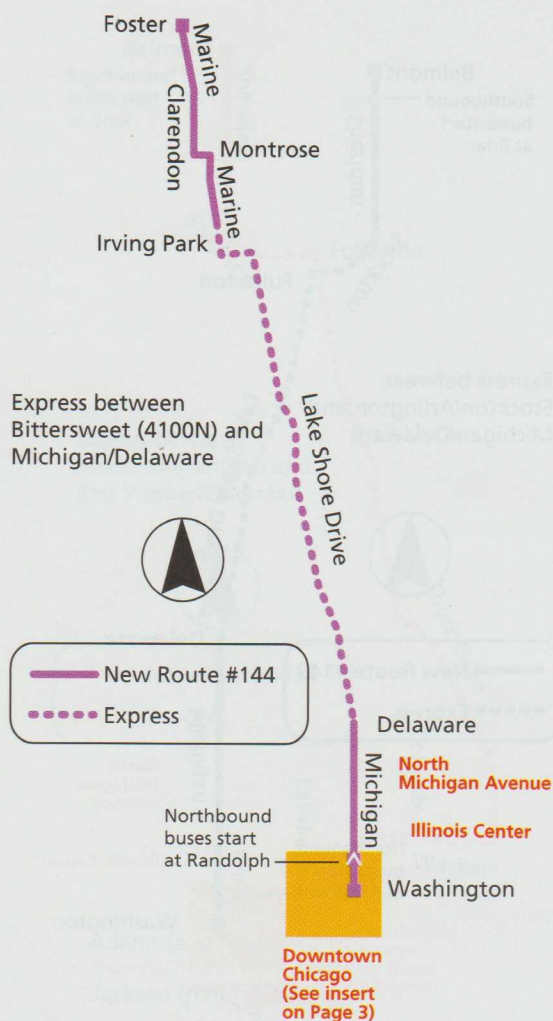
#### Weekday Service Only

SB\* — 6:30a–9:30a

NB\* — 4:00p–7:00p

\*southbound = SB, northbound = NB

**Frequency of Service:** Every 10 minutes.



## #145 Wilson/Michigan Express—Daily

The current route has been modified to operate express between Irving Park (instead of Belmont) and Michigan/Delaware. Buses will travel on Michigan Avenue in both directions between Congress and Lake (instead of northbound on State). Days and hours of service will remain the same.

### Hours of operation:

#### Weekdays

#### Saturdays

#### Sundays/holidays

SB\* — 5:50a–8:20p

6:25a–6:00p

9:00a–6:00p

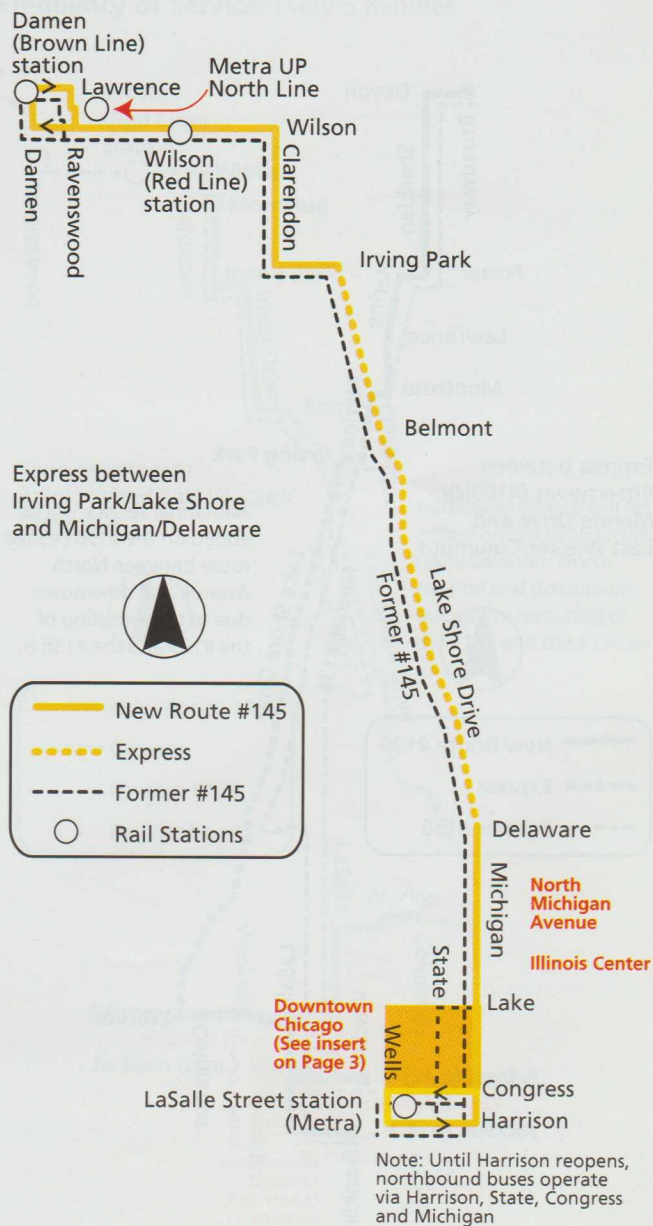
NB\* — 6:40a–9:05p

7:05a–6:50p

9:50a–6:50p

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**Frequency of Service:** Every 12 minutes — rush periods.  
Every 15 minutes — all other times.





## #146 Inner Drive/Michigan Express — Daily

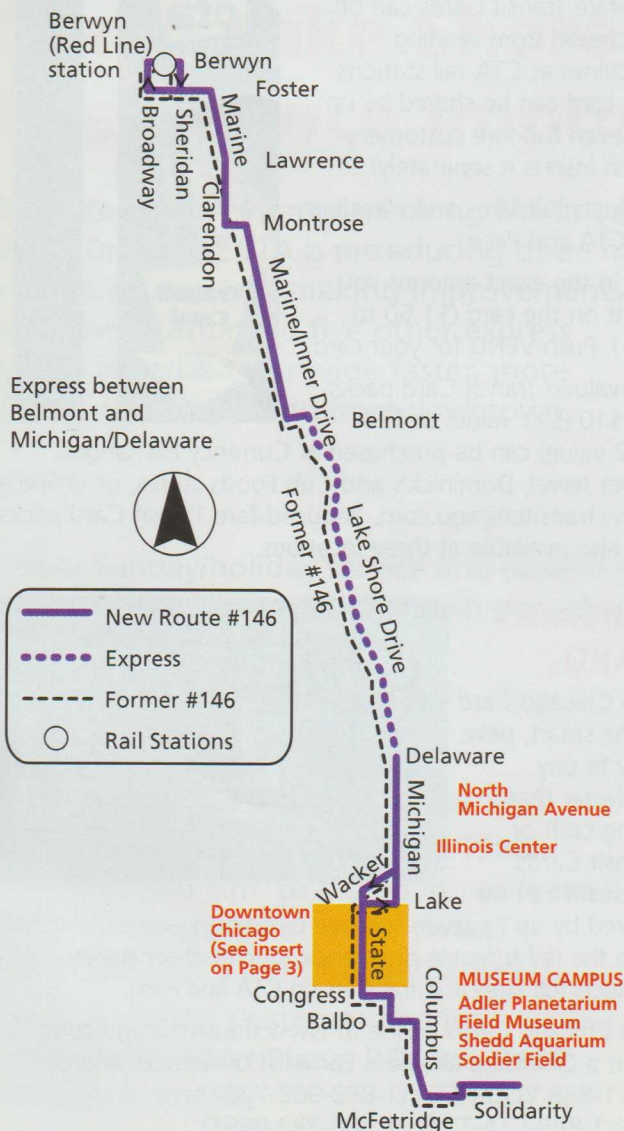
This route was modified (and renamed) to operate on Clarendon between Lawrence and Montrose instead of Marine Drive. More daily service will operate south of Montrose. Buses will run daily between the Berwyn (Red Line) station, downtown, and the Museum Campus operating express between Belmont and Michigan/Delaware. Service will operate from the Museum Campus until 8:45 p.m. and from downtown until midnight.

### Hours of operation:

Weekdays	Saturdays	Sundays/holidays
SB* — 5:30a – 11:20p	6:05a – 11:30p	6:15a – 11:20p
NB* — 6:15a – 12:05a	7:00a – 12:10a	7:10a – 12:00m

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**Frequency of Service:** Every 3 minutes — rush periods.  
Every 8–15 minutes all other times.



## #147 Outer Drive Express & — Daily

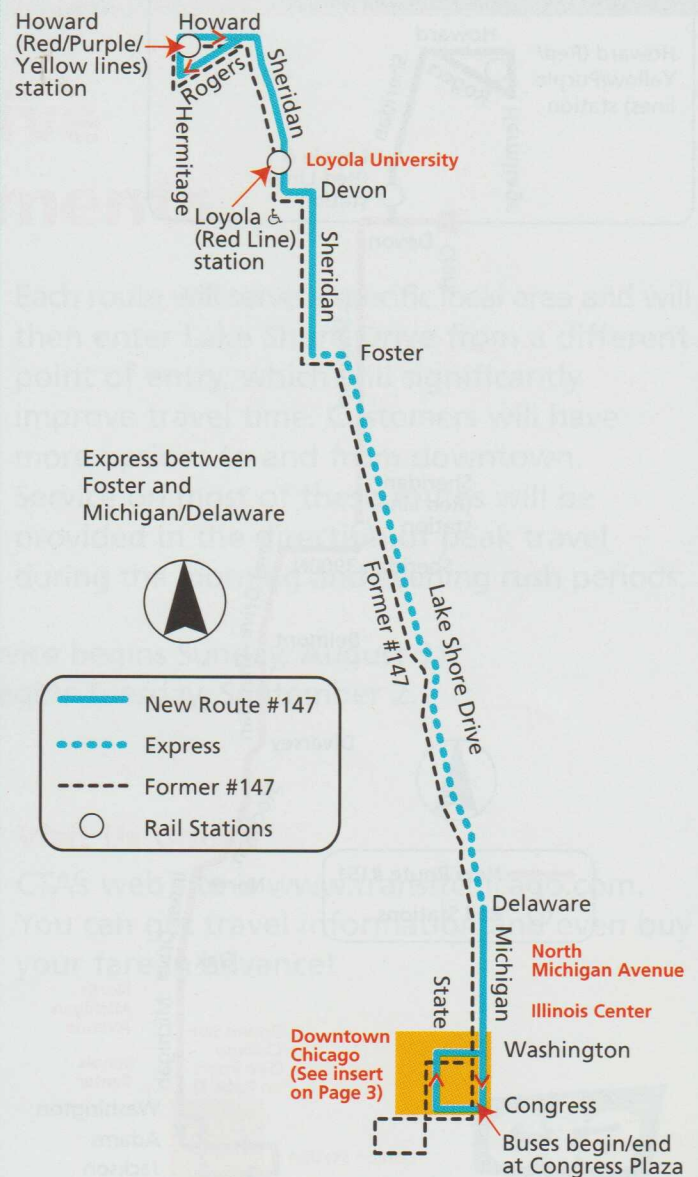
New Sunday/holiday service from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Later evening weekday and Saturday service will operate until 12:30 a.m. Southbound buses will now end their trips at Michigan/Congress instead of Wells/Congress. Buses will continue to travel express between Foster/Marine and Michigan/Delaware.

### Hours of operation:

Weekdays	Saturdays	Sundays/holidays
SB* — 4:40a – 11:35p	5:30a – 11:55p	7:10a – 7:00p
NB* — 5:30a – 12:30a	6:15a – 12:50a	8:00a – 8:00p

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**Frequency of Service:** Every 5 minutes (10 minutes north of Devon) — rush periods.  
Every 10–15 minutes — all other times.





## #151 Sheridan — Daily

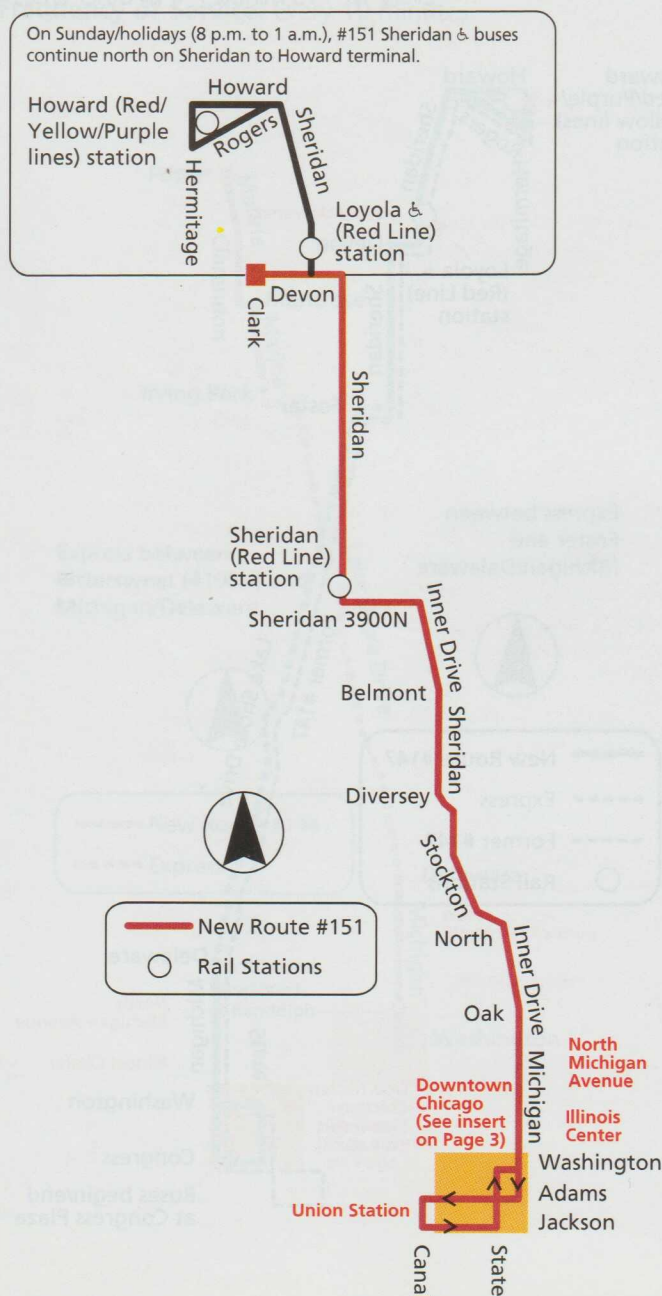
Due to expansion of #147 & service, northbound #151 & buses will end trips at Devon/Clark early morning through late evening, Monday through Saturday. On Sundays/holidays only, buses will operate to Howard early morning and mid to late evening when #147 & is not running. #151 & buses will continue to run 24 hours a day between Union Station and Foster/Sheridan.

### Hours of operation (Devon/Clark to Union Station):

Weekdays	Saturdays	Sundays/holidays
SB* — 4:20a – 11:45p	5:55a – 11:50p	7:20a – 7:05p
NB* — 4:00a – 12:20a	5:00a – 12:45a	6:20a – 7:35p

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**Frequency of Service:** Every 3 – 5 minutes — rush periods.  
Every 6 – 8 minutes — all other times.



## Fares

### CASH FARE

One ride is \$1.50 full fare and 75¢ reduced fare. Reduced fares are for children ages 7-11, elementary and high school students with a CTA student riding permit, seniors 65 years and older and customers with disabilities with an RTA Reduced Fare Permit. Medicare cardholders are also eligible for this permit. For more information, call 836-7000 from any local area code.

On buses, deposit the exact fare in coins or bills into the farebox. At rail stations, one turnstile accepts the exact coin fare.

When cash fare is paid, a Transfer Card (full-fare transfer 30¢; reduced-fare transfer 15¢) can be purchased for two additional rides within two hours on CTA or Pace.

### TRANSIT CARD

Full-fare Transit Cards can be purchased from vending machines at CTA rail stations. The card can be shared by up to seven full-fare customers (each inserts it separately).

Deducts full fares and transfers on CTA and Pace.

Put in the exact amount you want on the card (\$1.50 to \$91). Push VEND for your card.

Pre-valued Transit Card packs for \$10 (\$11 value) or \$20 (\$22 value) can be purchased at Currency Exchanges, select Jewel, Dominick's and Cub Foods stores, or online at [www.transitchicago.com](http://www.transitchicago.com). Reduced-fare Transit Card packs are also available at these locations.



### CHICAGO CARD™

The Chicago Card is the smart, new way to pay. It's faster than using cash or Transit Cards.

The card can be shared by up to seven full-fare customers — each touches it to the rail turnstile or farebox touchpad separately. Deducts full fares and transfers on CTA and Pace.

Buy Chicago Cards online at [www.transitchicago.com](http://www.transitchicago.com), or at a CTA sales location. For a list of sales locations, call 1-888-YOUR-CTA (1-888-968-7282); TTY: 1-888-CTA-TTY1 (1-888-282-8891).

