Bus Network Redesign

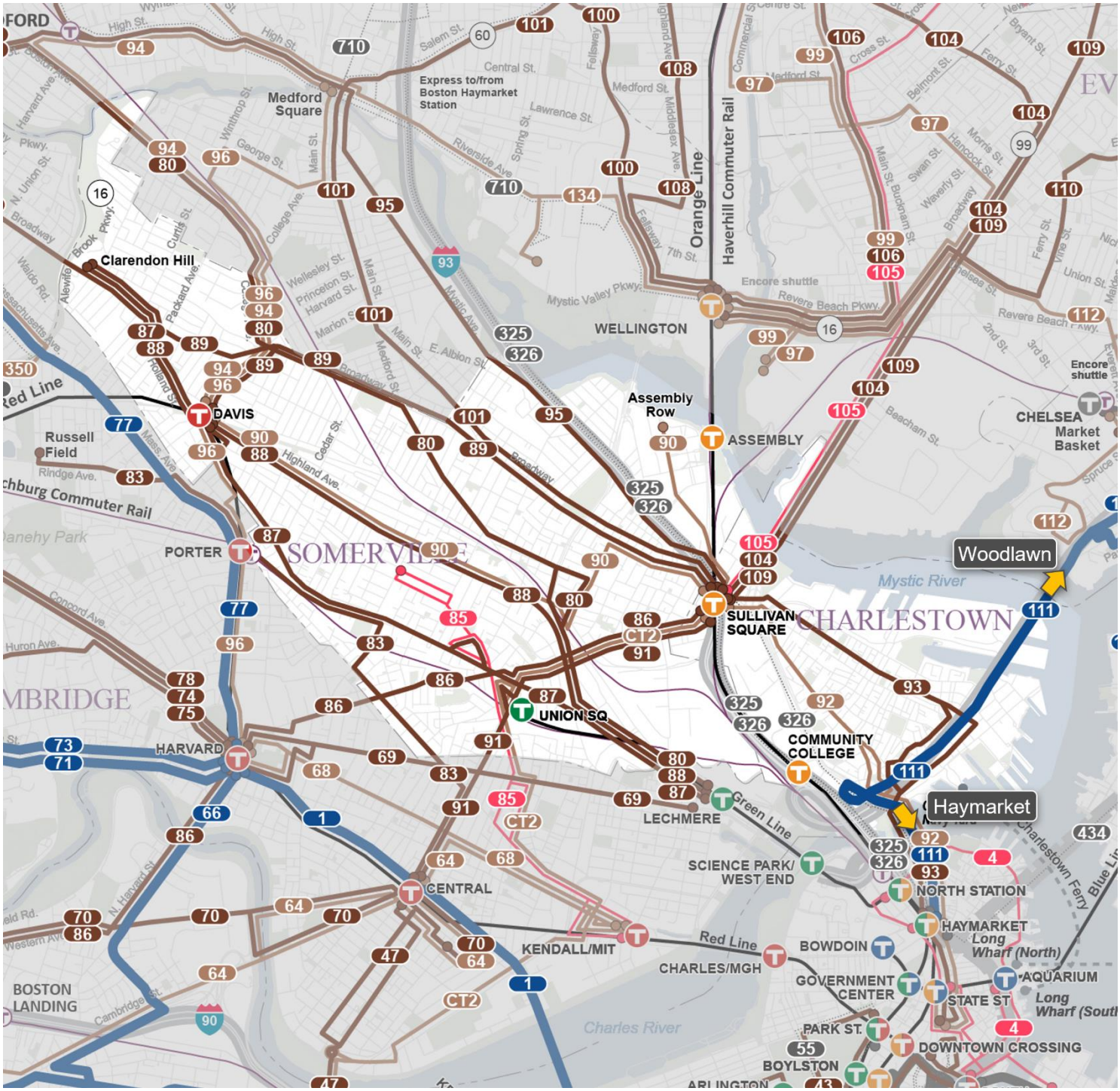
A better bus network: new connections, more service, more frequency.

See what this means in **Charlestown** and **Somerville**.

Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority

Better Bus Project

The network, today



Service

- **Key Bus Routes** — Every 15 min or better midday and weekdays
- **Every 30 min or better** — Midday and weekdays
- **Every 60 min or better** — Service at least every 60 min midday on weekdays
- **Less Than Hourly** — Service less than once every 60 min midday on weekdays
- **Peak-Only**
- **Suspended due to COVID-19**
- **Non-MBTA Route**
- **Silver Line**

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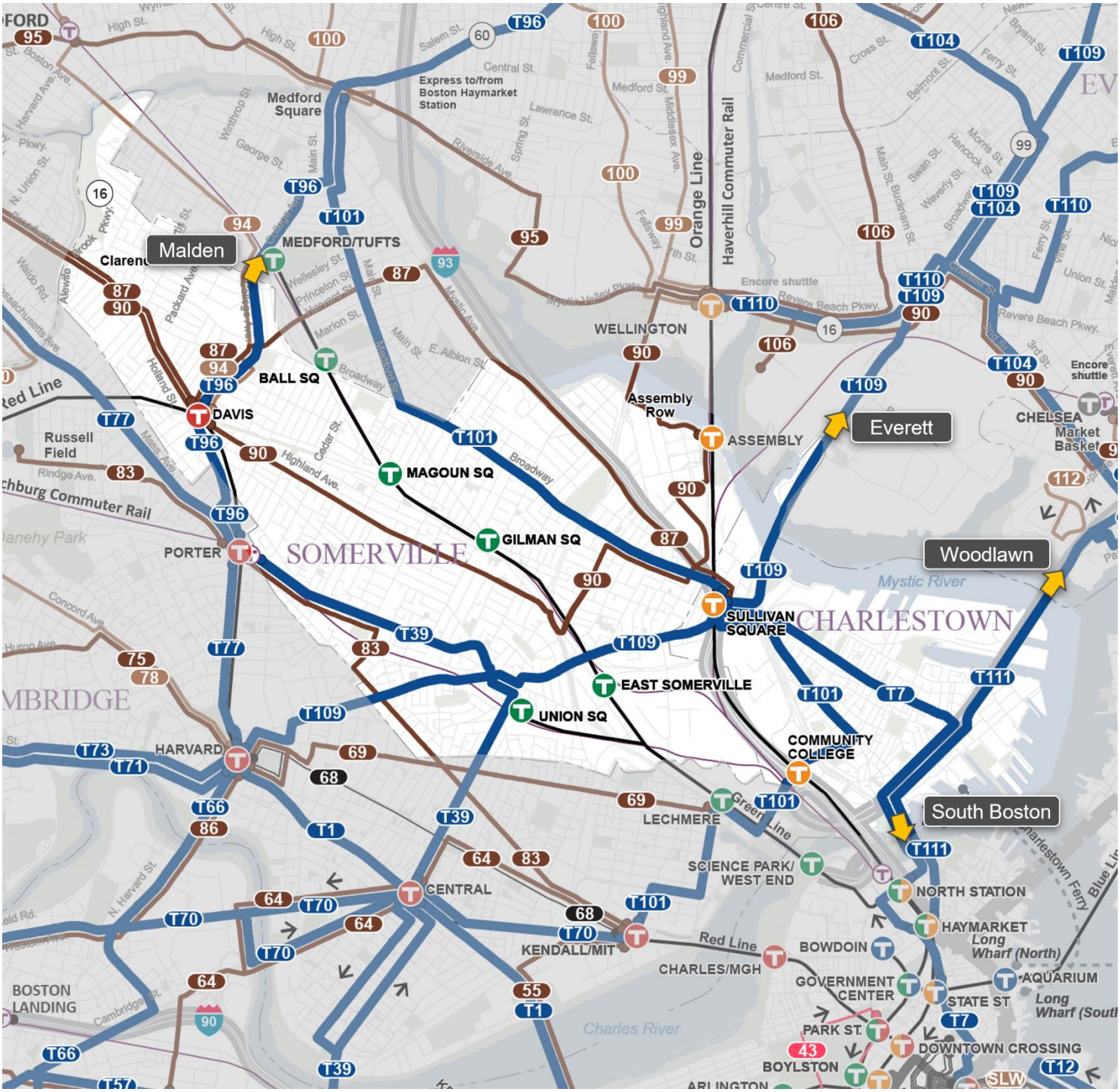
Our proposal

All details and full-sized maps are available at: **mbta.com/bnrd**



Service

- **Every 15 min or better**
  5:00 am to 1:00 am, 7 days a week. In some cases this service is provided by two overlapping routes.
- **Every 30 min or better**
  6:00 am to 10:00 pm, 7 days a week. Some routes run more frequently at peak. Some routes have service as early as 5:00 am and as late as 1:00 pm.
- **Every 60 min or better**
  6:00 am to 7:00 pm 7 days a week. Some routes run more frequently at peak. Some routes run as late as 10:00 pm.
- **Less Than Hourly**
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How your trip would change in Charlestown and Somerville

New Connections

If you're going to...	Your new route is...	What's new
Charlestown, Downtown Boston, Seaport, South Boston, North Station, South Station, Red, Orange, Green, or Blue Line connection	T7 South Boston - South Station - Charlestown - Sullivan	Route 7 extends to connect South Station to North Station to Sullivan, adding Orange, Green, and Blue Line access; replaces 4 and 93; improves to all-day high frequency service; new Sunday service
Forest Hills, Jamaica Plain, Heath St Station, Brigham Circle, Longwood Medical Area, Landmark Center, BU Bridge, Cambridgeport, Central Sq, Inman, Union Sq, Porter Sq	T39 Porter - Central - LMA - Forest Hills	Route T39 same route Forest Hills - Brigham Circle; extends from Brigham Circle to Central Sq Cambridge, Union Sq Somerville, and Porter; does not serve Brigham Circle - Copley but retains accessible transfer location to Green Line E at Brigham Circle; replaces parts of 47, 87, and 91

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Current Routes

If you currently ride...	Your new route is...	What's new
80 (Arlington - West Medford)	95 Arlington - Medford - Wellington	Route 95 extends to Arlington consistently rather than alternating trips; replaces part of 80, 94; extends to Wellington to replace part of 134; weekend frequency improves
80 (Boston Ave - Powderhouse Sq)	94 Burlington - Woburn - Winchester - Davis	Route 94 extends to Burlington Mall, Third Ave, Woburn, Winchester, and Playstead Rd, and replaces parts of 95, 134, 350, and 354; shortens to not serve West Medford - Medford Sq
80 (Ball Sq - Lechmere)	Green Line E	New rail service replaces part of Route 80
83 (Russell Field - Inman Square)	83 Rindge - Porter - Inman - Kendall	Route 83 extends to Kendall and does not serve Central
83 (Inman Square - Central)	T39 Porter - Central - LMA - Forest Hills	Frequency improves to all-day high frequency service on extended Route T39
85 (Spring Hill - Union Square or Red Line)	T39 Porter - Central - LMA - Forest Hills	Route 85 to Red Line is replaced with more frequent all-day service within 1/4 mi
85 (Somerville - Kendall)	T39 & Red Line; or longer walk to 83	Travel 1/4 mi to Route T39 and transfer to Red Line; or travel (some stops over 1/2 mi) to Route 83 from Somerville Ave or Inman Square
85 (Union Sq - Kendall)	T39 & Red Line; or Green Line & T101	Improves to all-day high frequency service, including new weekend service; transfer required
86 (Sullivan Square - Harvard)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Route T109 extends past Sullivan to Harvard and replaces part of 86
86 (Harvard - Reservoir)	86 Reservoir - Allston - Harvard	Route 86 shortens to Harvard - Reservoir; does not serve Sullivan, which is replaced by T109
87 (Arlington - Davis)	87 Turkey Hill - Arlington - Medford - Tufts - Sullivan	Route 87 extends to Turkey Hill and replaces 67; provides consistent 7 day a week service to Arlington; extends to Sullivan via Powderhouse, Harvard St & Mystic Ave and replaces part of 95; does not serve Davis - Lechmere portion of route
87 (Davis - Porter)	T96 Malden - Medford - Porter or Red Line	Route T96 extends to Malden, improves to all-day high frequency service, and replaces part of 87, 89, 101, 326; does not serve Porter - Harvard segment
87 (Porter - Union Square)	T39 Porter - Central - LMA - Forest Hills	Service improves to all-day high frequency service on Route T39
87 (Union Square - Lechmere)	Green Line D	New rail service
88 (Clarendon Hill - Highland Ave)	90 Chelsea - Everett - Assembly - Arlington	Route 90 extends to Clarendon Hill, Arlington, Everett Sq, Chelsea Station and replaces 88; Orange Line transfers maintained at Assembly instead of Sullivan; earlier morning, later evening service; more weekend and evening frequency

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88 (Central Hill - Lechmere)	Green Line E	New rail service replaces part of Route 88
89 (Winter Hill - Sullivan)	T101 Medford - Sullivan - Kendall	Route T101 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Charlestown, Lechmere, and Kendall and replaces part of 92, 95, 326; better frequency than on 95
89 (Davis - Powderhouse Sq)	T96 Malden - Medford - Porter	Route T96 extends to Malden, improves to all-day high frequency service, and replaces part of 87, 89, 101, 326; does not serve Porter - Harvard segment
89 (Clarendon Hill - Teele Sq)	87 Turkey Hill - Arlington - Medford - Tufts - Sullivan or 90 - Chelsea - Everett - Assembly - Arlington	New connections to Mystic Ave, Assembly, Everett, Chelsea, while preserving connection to Davis Red Line or Highland Ave on extended Route 87 and 90
89 (Teele Sq - Powderhouse Sq)	87 Turkey Hill - Arlington - Medford - Tufts - Sullivan or 90 - Chelsea - Everett - Assembly - Arlington	Travel 1/4 mi to Route 87, 90, 94, or T96
90 (Davis - Assembly)	90 Chelsea - Everett - Assembly - Arlington	Route 90 extends to Clarendon Hill, Arlington, Everett Sq, Chelsea Station and replaces 88; Orange Line transfers maintained at Assembly instead of Sullivan; earlier morning, later evening service; more weekend and evening frequency
90 (Sullivan)	90 Chelsea - Everett - Assembly - Arlington	Travel 1/4 mi to Route 90 or transfer to/from T101
91 (Central - Union Square)	T39 Porter - Central - LMA - Forest Hills	Route T39 extends to Porter via Union Sq and replaces part of 91
91 (Union Square - Sullivan)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Route T109 extends to Harvard, improves to all-day high frequency service, and replaces part of 91
92 (Sullivan - Gilmore)	T101 Medford - Sullivan - Kendall	Route T101 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Charlestown, Lechmere, and Kendall and replaces part of 92, 95, 326; does not serve downtown Boston
92 (Charlestown - Downtown)	T7 South Boston - South Station - Charlestown - Sullivan	Travel 1/4 mi from most stops to new all-day high frequency T7 service on Bunker Hill St, or transfer to subway at Sullivan, Community College, Lechmere, or Kendall.
93	T7 South Boston - South Station - Charlestown - Sullivan	Route 7 extends to Charlestown and Sullivan and connects Charlestown to downtown, Red Line, South Station, Seaport, and South Boston.
94 (West Medford - Davis)	94 Burlington - Woburn - Winchester - Davis	Route 94 extends to Burlington Mall, Third Ave, Woburn, Winchester, and Playstead Rd, and replaces parts of 95, 134, 350, and 354; shortens to not serve West Medford - Medford Sq

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94 (Medford Sq - West Medford)	95 Arlington - Medford - Wellington	Route 95 extends to Arlington consistently rather than alternating trips; replaces part of 94; extends to Wellington; weekend frequency improves; for Red Line connections, travel to new 94 or T96
95 (Arlington - Medford Sq, Orange Line)	95 Arlington - Medford - Wellington	Route 95 extends to Arlington consistently rather than alternating trips; replaces part of 80, 94; extends to Wellington to replace part of 134; weekend frequency improves
95 (Medford Sq - Sullivan)	T101 Medford - Sullivan - Kendall	Route T101 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Charlestown, Lechmere, and Kendall and replaces part of 92, 95, 326; better frequency than on 95
95 (Mystic Ave)	87 Turkey Hill - Arlington - Medford - Tufts - Sullivan	Route 87 extends from Davis, Clarendon Hill to Turkey Hill, Sullivan via Powderhouse, Harvard St & Mystic Ave and replaces parts of 67, 95
95 (Playstead Rd)	94 Burlington - Woburn - Winchester - Davis	Route 94 extends to Burlington Mall, Third Ave, Woburn, Winchester, and Playstead Rd, and replaces parts of 95, 134, 350, and 354; shortens to not serve West Medford - Medford Sq
96 (Medford - Porter)	T96 Malden - Medford - Porter	Route T96 extends to Malden, improves to all-day high frequency service, and replaces part of 87, 89, 101, 326; does not serve Porter - Harvard segment
96 (George St, Winthrop St, Boston Ave)	T96 Malden - Medford - Porter	Travel to T96 on College Ave or use 94 on Boston Ave
96 (Porter - Harvard)	T77 Arlington - Porter - Harvard or Red Line	Route 96 does not serve Porter - Harvard; use T77 or travel from T96 at Porter
101 (Medford Sq - Sullivan)	T101 Medford - Sullivan - Kendall	Route T101 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Charlestown, Lechmere, and Kendall and replaces part of 92, 95, 326; does not serve Malden - Medford segment
101 (Malden - Medford Sq)	T96 Malden - Medford - Porter	Route T96 extends to Malden, improves to all-day high frequency service, and replaces part of 87, 89, 101, 326; does not serve Porter - Harvard segment
101 (Main St (Tufts Sq - Broadway))	T96 Malden - Medford - Porter	Travel up to 1/4 mi to Medford St or Broadway
104 (Malden - Everett Sq)	T104 Malden - Everett - Chelsea	Route T104 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Chelsea and Blue Line and replaces part of 112; does not serve Everett Sq - Sullivan; depending on SLX Alternatives Analysis, may be combined with SL3 via Chelsea Station in the future
104 (Everett Sq - Sullivan)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Route T109 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Union Sq Somerville, Harvard Sq Cambridge

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105 (Newland St Housing - Malden)	105 Saugus - Malden	Route 105 improves with more evening service and frequency; extends to Saugus and replaces part of 428, 429, 430; does not serve Main St - Sullivan portion
105 (Main St - Orange Line)	106 Lebanon Loop - Wellington	Route 106 extends to Gateway Center and replaces 97 and parts of 105, 430; Sunday frequency improves
105 (Broadway/Sweetser Circle - Sullivan)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Route T109 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Union Sq Somerville, Harvard Sq Cambridge
109 (Linden Sq - Sullivan)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Route T109 improves to all-day high frequency service; extends to Union Sq, Harvard and replaces part of 86; serves Hunting St instead of Eastern Ave and replaces part of 108; replaces parts of 105, 430
109 (Eastern Ave)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Travel up to 1/3 mi to T109
111	T111 Woodlawn - Chelsea - Haymarket	Route T111 same route and more Sunday night service
CT2 (Kendall - Sullivan)	T101 Medford - Sullivan - Kendall	Improves to all-day high frequency service as T101, with new weekend service
CT2 (Union Square - Sullivan)	T109 Everett - Sullivan - Harvard	Improves to all-day high frequency service as T109, with new weekend service
CT2 (Kendall - Union Square)	T39 & Red Line; or Green Line & T101	Improves to all-day high frequency service, including new weekend service; transfer required
CT2 (Kendall - LMA)	55 Kendall - LMA	Route 55 extends to Kendall and to Longwood Medical area for full service day with new weekend service
CT2 (BU Bridge - LMA)	T39 Porter - Central - LMA - Forest Hills	Improves to all-day high frequency service as Route T39, with new weekend service

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What this means for you

More high-frequency service.

Today	Proposed
1	6

# of routes with service every 15 min or better

Five new high frequency connections:

- **Porter** to **Longwood Medical Area.**
- **Medford, Winter Hill** to **Charlestown, Lechmere,** and **Kendall Square.**
- **Porter, Davis** to **Medford, Malden.**
- **Harvard** to **Union Square** and **Everett.**
- **Davis** to **Medford Square, Malden.**

More service. Period.

Proposed

40%

% increase in service (revenue vehicle miles)

More **midday, evening,** and **weekend** service.

Service complements **Red Line, Orange Line,** and new **Green Line** extension – rather than duplicate them.

Better access to major destinations.

Proposed

40K

More residents with faster, more frequent service to the Seaport

Better service and connections to the places you want to go: **Cambridge, Watertown, Everett,** the **Seaport, South Boston, Longwood Medical Area, Medford, Chelsea, Arlington,** and more.

More connections to **Red, Orange,** and **Green Lines.**

But we can't do this without you.

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