



The latest estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau indicate that Denton County will reach a population of two million in the next 25 years. As economic growth continues, there becomes a high demand for more housing, which means more cars on the road each and every day – and that’s where DCTA comes in. We have our eyes set on impactful expansion opportunities with three key targets in mind:

High Intensity Bus Service

DCTA’s High Intensity Bus service was listed as “proposed” in the North Central Texas Council of Government’s (NCTCOG) Mobility 2040 Regional Transportation Plan. Although funding availability will trigger corridor service execution, DCTA staff has identified the I-35W and SRT 121 corridors as the highest priority for service expansion.

Transit Oriented Development

DCTA is currently partnering with the Huffines

Developers to provide connections from the Hebron 121 Station Development to the Hebron Station by incorporating driveway access and a pedestrian walkway. The agency is also partnering with the City of Denton and Union Pacific to increase parking availability, advance safety and noise mitigation, increase walkability, and improve aesthetics in the downtown Denton area.

Comprehensive Operational Analysis

DCTA proposed the final recommendations for the Lewisville and Highland Village Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA), which are slated to come to light in August 2016 along with routine service changes. The COA changes for Denton are likely to begin in 2017 with a phased approach.

As Denton County continues to grow, it’s DCTA’s goal to grow right alongside it. Whether it’s using existing services or making plans based on expansion, DCTA offers Denton County residents the convenience of using mass transit and avoiding the hassle of traffic and congestion. DCTA is committed to providing safe, customer-focused and efficient mobility solutions for Denton County – now and in the future.



WHERE'S MY RIDE

Utilize *Where's My Ride* to access real-time arrival times of Denton and Lewisville Connect bus or A-train schedules. *Where's My Ride* can be accessed online, via text or over the phone.



GOPASSSM

Download the GoPassSM application, available on the App Store or Google Play, to purchase your ticket straight from your mobile phone.



GOREQUEST

Have a question or comment? Download the GOREquest application and send your feedback to a DCTA staff member who will answer your question or address your comment in a timely manner.



RIDER ALERTS

Sign up for DCTA Rider Alerts to receive up-to-date email notifications regarding schedule delays, service changes and promotions.

To learn more about DCTA Travel Tools, visit RideDCTA.net.

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RIDER ETIQUETTE TIPS

DCTA has established rider conduct guidelines to help ensure the safety, security, comfort and convenience of all those who use the agency’s vehicles and facilities. Make sure to follow these key tips during your commute:



• Offer seats to those who may need one



• Refrain from eating on DCTA vehicles



• Non-alcoholic beverages are permitted in a closed, spill-proof container



• Turn off cellphone ringers and speak at a low volume if you have to take a call



• Avoid profanity or disruptive behavior



• Use headphones when playing music or watching a video

• Absolutely no smoking or chewing tobacco of any form, including electronic cigarettes and vaporizers

• Be mindful not to block the aisle and exits

To view the complete list of DCTA’s Rider Code of Conduct, visit RideDCTA.net.

WHY I RIDE

Christy Love from Denton enjoyed riding DCTA while she was a student at the University of North Texas. Find out why else Christy rides.

Q: What do you enjoy most about riding DCTA?

A: I like having the option to ride to work in Dallas and not drive my car.

Q: What are some of your favorite things to do while riding DCTA?

A: Listening to music and taking a quick nap on the A-train are my favorite things to do when I ride DCTA.

Q: Do you have any advice to DCTA passengers and non-passengers?

A: Make sure to download the GoPassSM mobile app so you can purchase your ticket on your phone and bypass the ticket vending machine.



Christy Love
Denton, TX



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DESTINATION: DENTON COUNTY

NO SERVICE ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

In observance of the Independence Day holiday, DCTA will not operate any bus or rail service Monday, July 4. The Euline Brock Downtown Denton Transit Center (DDTC) and DCTA administrative office will also be closed and will resume regular operational hours on Tuesday, July 5. For more information, please call DCTA Customer Service at 940.243.0077.

SERVICE CHANGES EFFECTIVE MONDAY, AUGUST 29

DCTA will implement service changes on Monday, August 29. Be sure to check out our website, Rider Alerts and social media channels for the official service change announcement and new schedules.

DCTA STATE FAIR OF TEXAS SCHEDULE

It's never too early to start planning for the State Fair of Texas. Make sure to check out our website in early September for your one-stop shop to all the fair fun and see how we can get you there!

NO SERVICE ON LABOR DAY

In observance of the Labor Day holiday, DCTA will not operate any bus or rail service Monday, September 5. The Euline Brock Downtown Denton Transit Center (DDTC) and DCTA administrative office will also be closed and will resume regular operational hours on Tuesday, September 6. For more information, please call DCTA Customer Service at 940.243.0077.

2016 COMMUNITY SURVEY

During September, DCTA will conduct its community survey to garner feedback from residents on how to improve services. We look forward to hearing from you! Stay tuned for more details.

SOUNDS OF LEWISVILLE TUESDAYS



The "Sounds of Lewisville" concert series is a free summertime family event in Old Town Lewisville held weekly in June and July. Performers include some of the top musical acts in North Texas. Concert goers can ride the A-train to Old Town Station and transfer to Lewisville Connect Route 23 to get to all the musical entertainment. For more information, visit soundsoflewisville.com.

DENTON COMMUNITY MARKET | SATURDAYS



The Denton Community Market is a producer-only farmer's and art market taking place at the Denton County Historical Park. The market will feature live music, kid's activities, local farmers, local artists, food trucks, food vendors, and more. The Denton Community Market will occur every Saturday until November 2016 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ride the A-train and take Denton Connect Routes 7 and 8 to experience the best of Denton. For more information, visit dentonmarket.org.

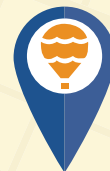
FIRST FRIDAY DENTON AUG. 5



Experience Denton's art scene in many forms on "First Friday." Local businesses and galleries will have activities throughout the evening on Friday, August 5, between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. Stroll through downtown Denton to experience and observe local art activities. Ride the A-train to the Euline Brock Downtown Denton Transit Center (DDTC) and take a short walk to get to the downtown Denton square. For more information, visit firstfridaydenton.com.

HIGHLAND VILLAGE BALLOON FESTIVAL | AUG. 19 - 21

SPONSORED BY: **DCTA**



DCTA is proud to be a sponsor of the 29th Annual Highland Village Balloon Festival. The festival will be held Friday, August 19 through Sunday, August 21 and will feature fun for the entire family! Enjoy the weiner dog races, kid zone, live bands, car show, 5k run, food, arts and crafts, and of course the iconic hot air balloons. Catch a ride on our complimentary shuttle to get to all the fun activities! And don't forget to look for our booth! For more information, visit lionsballoonfest.com.

NORTH TEXAS FAIR AND RODEO AUG. 19 - 27



The North Texas State Fair Association presents Denton's Annual North Texas Fair and Rodeo which will feature a world championship rodeo, entertainment from the best Texas Country musicians, carnival rides and games, fiddling contest, petting zoos and barbecue cook-offs! The fair will take place at the North Texas Fairgrounds from Friday, August 19 through Saturday, August 27. Ride the A-train and take Denton Connect Route 6 to get to all the festivities. For more information, visit ntfair.com. (NOTE: DCTA does not operate service on Sunday)