



About the Project

The **Gold Line** is a proposal to bring rapid transit to Chicago's south lakefront neighborhoods. Instead of building a completely new transit line, the Gold Line would transform an existing Metra branch (Metra Electric District - South Chicago) into a new CTA line. By running frequent service throughout the day - not just at rush hour - the Gold Line would provide a reliable transportation option for South Side residents.

Key Benefits

1 Frequency

The Gold Line would run four times as many trains per day as the current Metra Electric - South Chicago branch, so the next train would arrive in minutes, not hours.

Trains Per Day



Metra Electric **38**

Gold Line **164**

Source: Metra, CDOT (South Lakefront Corridor Transit Study, 2012)

2 Speed

CTA buses get stuck in traffic. The Gold Line would be fast and reliable, even at rush hour.

Travel Time to Downtown (Estimated)



CTA Red Line - All Times (95th to State/Lake) **27 min**

Gold Line - All Times (93rd to Millenium) **37 min**

Jeffery Jump - 4 a.m. (93rd to Washington/Jefferson) **37 min**

Jeffery Jump - Rush Hour (93rd to Washington/Jefferson) **54 min**

Source: CTA and Metra schedule data

What is Transit Future?

Transit Future is a campaign to raise new funding for transit in Cook County. Launched in 2014, the campaign aims to establish a dedicated revenue source that could support up to \$20 billion in transit expansion projects. This would transform Chicago's hub-and-spoke rail network into a system that serves the needs of 21st-century commuters.

11 Rapid Transit Lines and Extensions

95+ New Rail and BRT Stations

Transit access for **385,000** more people

