



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



June 2021 Schedule Change

Beginning Monday, June 7, 2021, CATS will add additional morning trips and improve weekday frequency to 20-minutes throughout the day for the following routes:

- **Route 8: Tuckaseegee**
- **Route 10: West Blvd**
- **Route 11: North Tryon**
- **Route 21: Statesville Ave**
- **Route 34: Freedom Dr**

Please refer to the individual route schedules for more information.

Uptown Rerouting

To accommodate future Gold Line service along Trade St. in Uptown, several routes will be modified as follows:

Route 1: Mt. Holly

- Inbound trips traveling to the Charlotte Transportation Center (CTC) will take 5th St. to Graham St., turn right on Graham St., and left on Trade St. Riders may use stops along these streets to access service in the mentioned areas
- Outbound trips leaving the CTC will take 4th St. to Graham St., turn right on Graham St., left on 6th St., and continue along 5th St. Riders may use stops along these streets to access service in the mentioned areas

Route 7: Beatties Ford Rd

- Inbound trips traveling to the CTC will take Beatties Ford Rd. to 5th St., turn left on 5th St., right on Graham St., and left on Trade St. Riders may use stops along these streets to access service in the mentioned areas
- Outbound trips leaving the CTC will take 4th St. to Graham St., turn right on Graham St., left on 6th St., continue along 5th St., and turn right on Beatties Ford Rd. Riders may use stops along these streets to access service in the mentioned areas

Route 26: Oaklawn Ave

- Outbound trips leaving the CTC will take 4th St. to Graham St. and turn right on Graham St. to continue to the Rosa Parks Transit Center. Riders may use stops along these streets to access service in the mentioned areas.

Please refer to the individual route schedules for more information.

Schedule Modifications

Route 3: The Plaza

Trip times along Route 3 will be adjusted to improve running times for customers.

Please refer to the Route 3 schedule for more information.

Service Additions

Route 60: Tyvola Rd

Extra trips will be added to the VA Center on Route 60 to improve connections for customers.

Please refer to the Route 60 schedule for more information.

Route 290: Davidson Shuttle

290 Davidson Shuttle will operate peak only shuttle service that will operate in the town of Davidson. The shuttle will provide limited connections to Davidson Town Hall, Davidson College, and the 77x.

Please refer to the Route 290 schedule for more information.



Ride With The Music Continues Each Friday in May

Charlotte Area Transit System, in partnership with Arts+ will host Ride with the Music again this spring. This free concert series will bring live music to various CATS locations on Friday evenings in May.

Ride with the Music will highlight local performers across a variety of musical genres.

Performers	Date/Time	Location
Piedmont Temperance Movement	5/14/2021; 5:00-7:00pm	East/West Station (Performers along southbound side near ramp)
Jason Jet	5/21/2021; 5:00-7:00pm	36th Street Station (Performer on landing leading up to station in front of lotus mosaic)
KeAndra Davis	5/28/2021; 5:00-7:00pm	7th Street Station (Performer along northbound side next to Imaginon)



YOUR MOBILITY, YOUR WAY

We want to hear from YOU!

We know it's been about a year since we've been in quarantine and rocking our home offices. However, we know that you may be thinking forward regarding your return to the office.

We want to hear from you on how we can best support you! [Please take our survey](#) on what your plans are.

Not sure yet? That's OK! We want to help. Set up a time to chat with us about how to best support your employee's mobility needs by emailing ETCInterest@charlottenc.gov. We can talk about [vanpool](#), transit pass discounts, [hybrid telework plans](#) and more!

CATS Pass Design Contest ends May 21

CATS launched its first Transit Pass Design Contest. Community members are asked to submit original artwork with the theme: What Does Charlotte Mean to You? The Charlotte-inspired theme is open to interpretation; however, participants may not use text in their designs. Three winners will be selected to have their artwork printed on Local, Express and Express Plus passes for the entire 2022 calendar year.

Entries must be submitted to CATS by May 21 and will be evaluated by a committee of City employees and local art professionals. CATS will announce first, second and third place winners this summer.

The winning designs will be printed on the following passes:

- **First Place** - Local Monthly Pass
- **Second Place** - Express Monthly Pass
- **Third Place** - Express Plus Monthly Pass

In addition to having their artwork printed on transit passes, each winner will receive an additional prize. First place will receive a Lenovo Tablet, second place will receive an Apple TV HD, and third place will receive a Bluetooth Speaker.

Interested participants should learn more about the [CATS Transit Pass Design Contest](#) and its [application](#).



WHEELS OF PROGRESS



CATS & eTransEnergy partner for Electric Bus Pilot

Charlotte City Council has voted to approve a pilot program and public-private partnership between the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) and eTransEnergy, a subsidiary/affiliate of Duke Energy, to test the performance of battery electric bus (BEB) vehicles across the greater metropolitan Charlotte area.

This collaboration, which has been supported by the Bloomberg Philanthropies American Cities Climate Challenge, will kick-off a 12-to-18-month pilot program to test 18 BEB vehicles from three different manufacturers.

The pilot will allow CATS to collect data and assess vehicle performance while operating across the transit system in preparation for future phases. CATS is expected to receive the battery-electric vehicles by the end of 2021. Operation of the pilot program is anticipated to begin in early 2022.

Together, the City and eTransEnergy submitted a grant application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and was awarded a \$3,723,712 Low or No (LoNo) Emissions Grant Award which will fund six of the 18 buses. The other 12 buses will be funded through CATS' Capital Investment Program.

The eTransEnergy BEB pilot program supports the Strategic Energy Action Plan (SEAP) which strives to have city fleet and facilities be fueled by 100 percent zero-carbon sources by 2030 and sets a community-wide goal for Charlotte to become a low carbon city by 2050.

After completion of the pilot program, eTransEnergy will support the transition of CATS entire bus fleet with a selected BEB manufacturer.

CATS will continue to release details related to the pilot as it becomes available.



2030 TRANSIT CORRIDOR SYSTEM PLAN

You're invited...to TOD webinars

CATS, in partnership with the Urban Land Institute Charlotte, will be hosting two webinars about transit-oriented development. These webinars will help create a foundation for future transit planning, particularly as it applies to the [LYNX Silver Line](#).

- **Setting The Stage for TOD in Small and Big Cities** – May 20, 2021: 1-2:30 p.m. [Register Here](#).
- **Equitable TOD: Building Equity As Part of Transit & TOD** – May 27, 2021: 1:30-3 p.m. [Register Here](#).

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Interested in becoming an ETC partner and learning how your company can earn discounts on CATS passes? Contact ETCinterest@charlottenc.gov.

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