

ATLANTA STREETCAR

Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority – Atlanta, GA

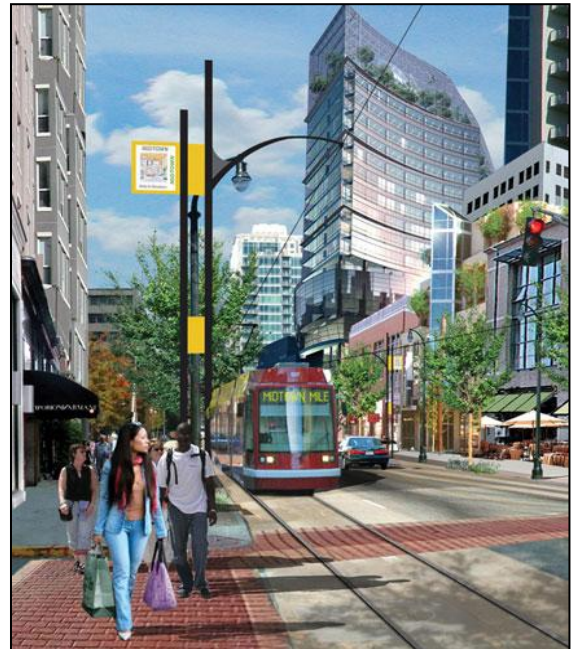
The **Atlanta Streetcar Project** will link the Martin Luther King Junior National Historic Site on the east side of the city’s downtown to Centennial Olympic Park on the west, via historic Auburn Avenue, the birthplace of our nation’s civil rights movement. Located within an Economically Distressed Area, the project will serve as a catalyst for new pedestrian-oriented development and mixed-used projects, and reinforce existing land use and zoning plans. It will also reconnect the eastern and western sections of the city’s downtown area, which were effectively separated by the construction of Interstate 75/85 in the mid 1950’s.

The project will construct a system composed of 2.7 track miles, 12 passenger stops, a light maintenance and storage facility, and upgrades to a MARTA facility for heavy maintenance. The project includes the procurement of four modern streetcars: two included in the grant scope and two funded locally. The system is to operate on 15 minute frequency with weekday, Saturday/Sunday service, one-way running time of ten minutes, and provide direct transfer to the MARTA Peachtree Center rail station. This project is planned to be the first phase of an interoperable comprehensive regional streetcar and light rail transit system.

The streetcar represents a cooperative effort by the City of Atlanta, Atlanta Downtown Improvement District (ADID) and the Metropolitan Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) to develop and implement a critical transit project that provides improved connectivity, livability and circulation for the core of the city’s downtown.

PROJECT FUNDING

TIGER II Grant	\$ 47,667,777
City of Atlanta	\$ 40,786,939
ADID Funds	\$ 6,000,000
TOTAL FUNDING	\$ 94,454,716

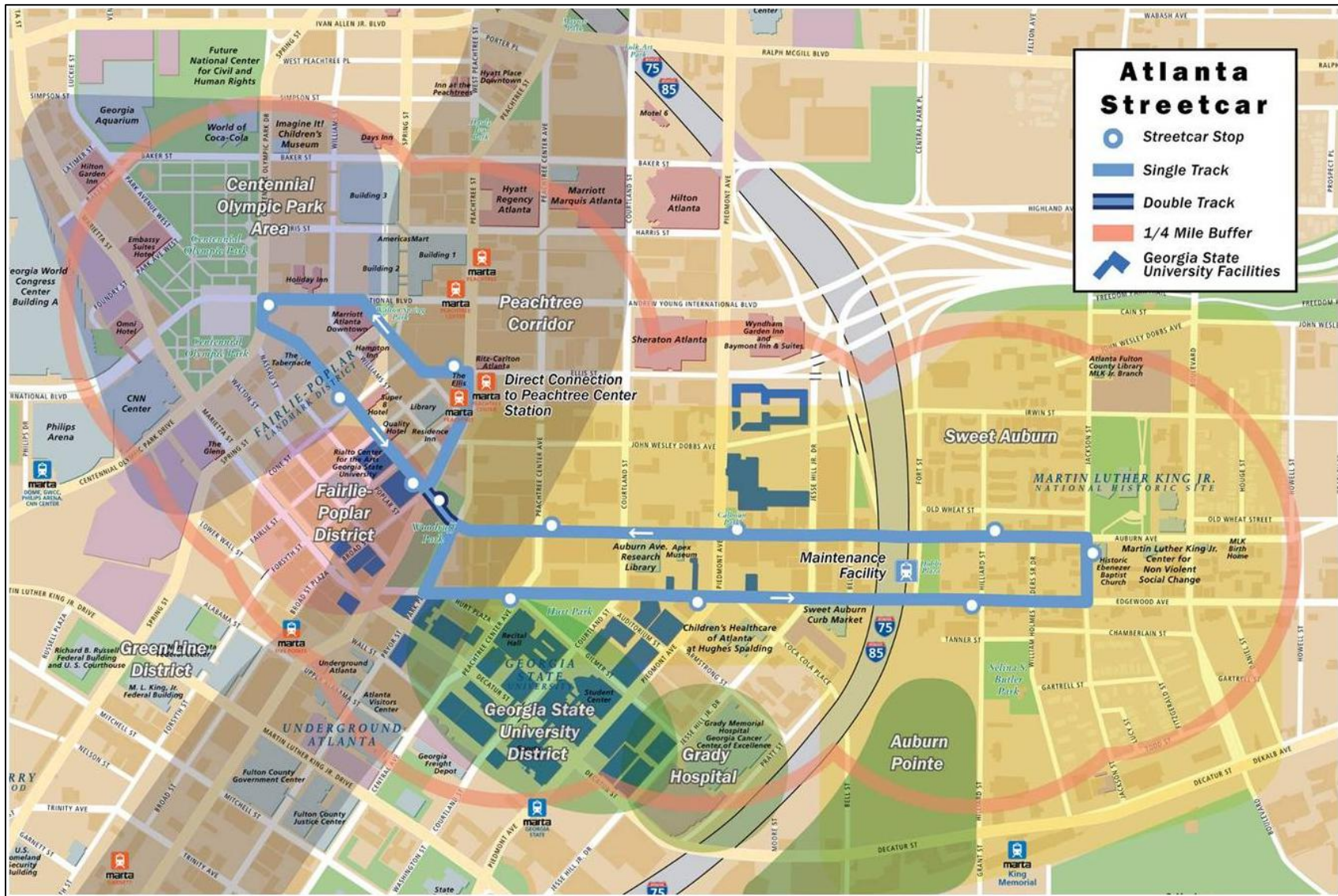


PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Connects directly with MARTA heavy rail, 22 regional express bus routes, 10 local bus routes, and seven city bicycle routes
- Provides service to over 7,000 people who live within a quarter mile of the streetcar and over 4.7 million tourists and 1.38 million conventioners
- Provides service to students from Georgia State University as well as 688,000 patients who visit Grady Memorial Hospital and Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta at its Downtown Hughes Spalding location every year

PROJECT MILESTONE DATES

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Final Design		—————		
Construction		—————		
Vehicle Procurement		—————		
Revenue Service			May	



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