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# Northern Virginia Transportation Commission

## *Moving Bus Transit in Virginia*

Presentation to the WMATA Safety and Security Committee



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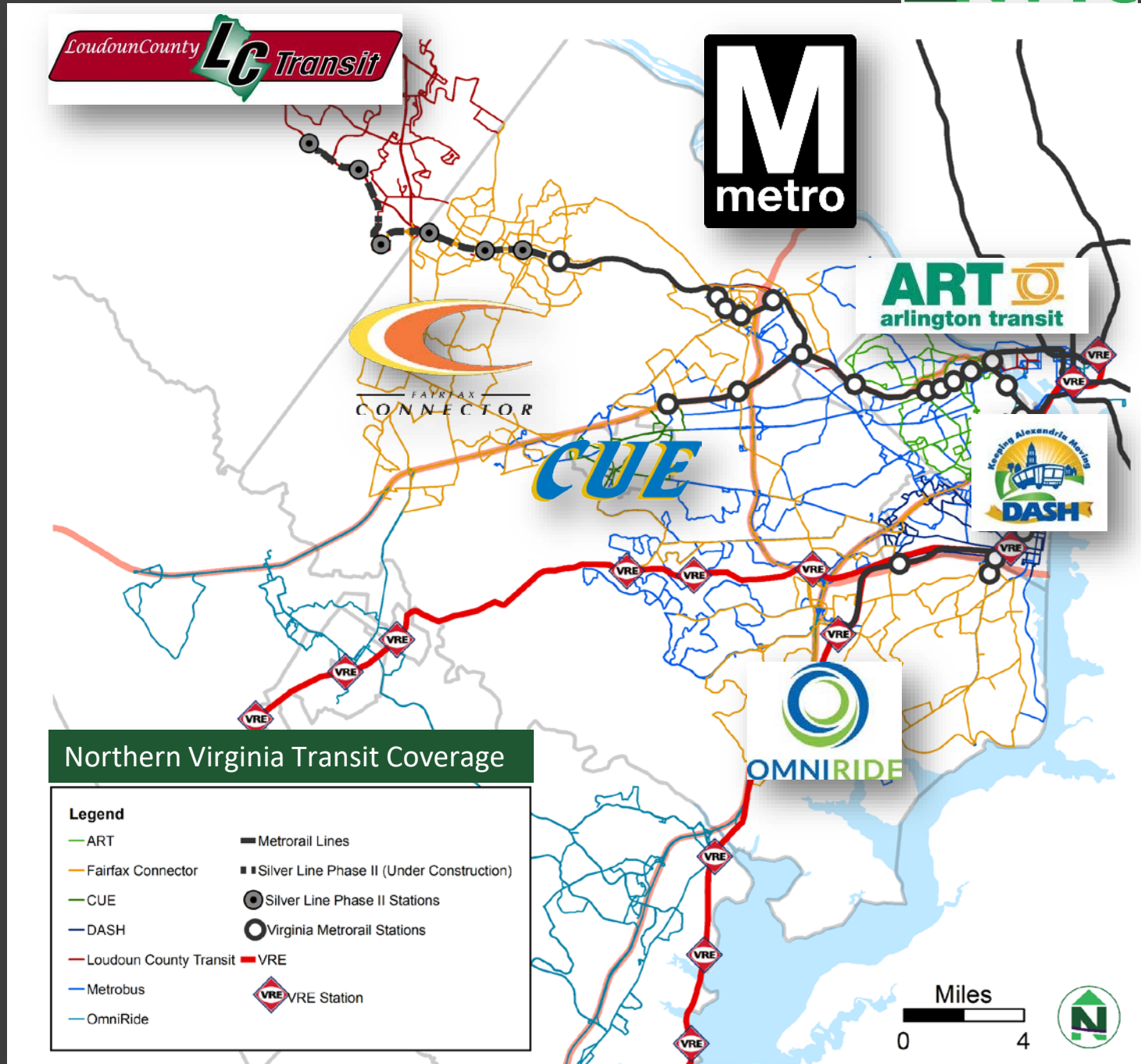
In Northern Virginia,  
our Bus Network  
connects people

1.4 M people

live with ¼ mile of NOVA bus stops

2.1 M jobs

within a ¼ mile of NOVA bus stops



# Our Bus Network is Integrated

7 Operators | 230 Routes

131K Weekday Boardings

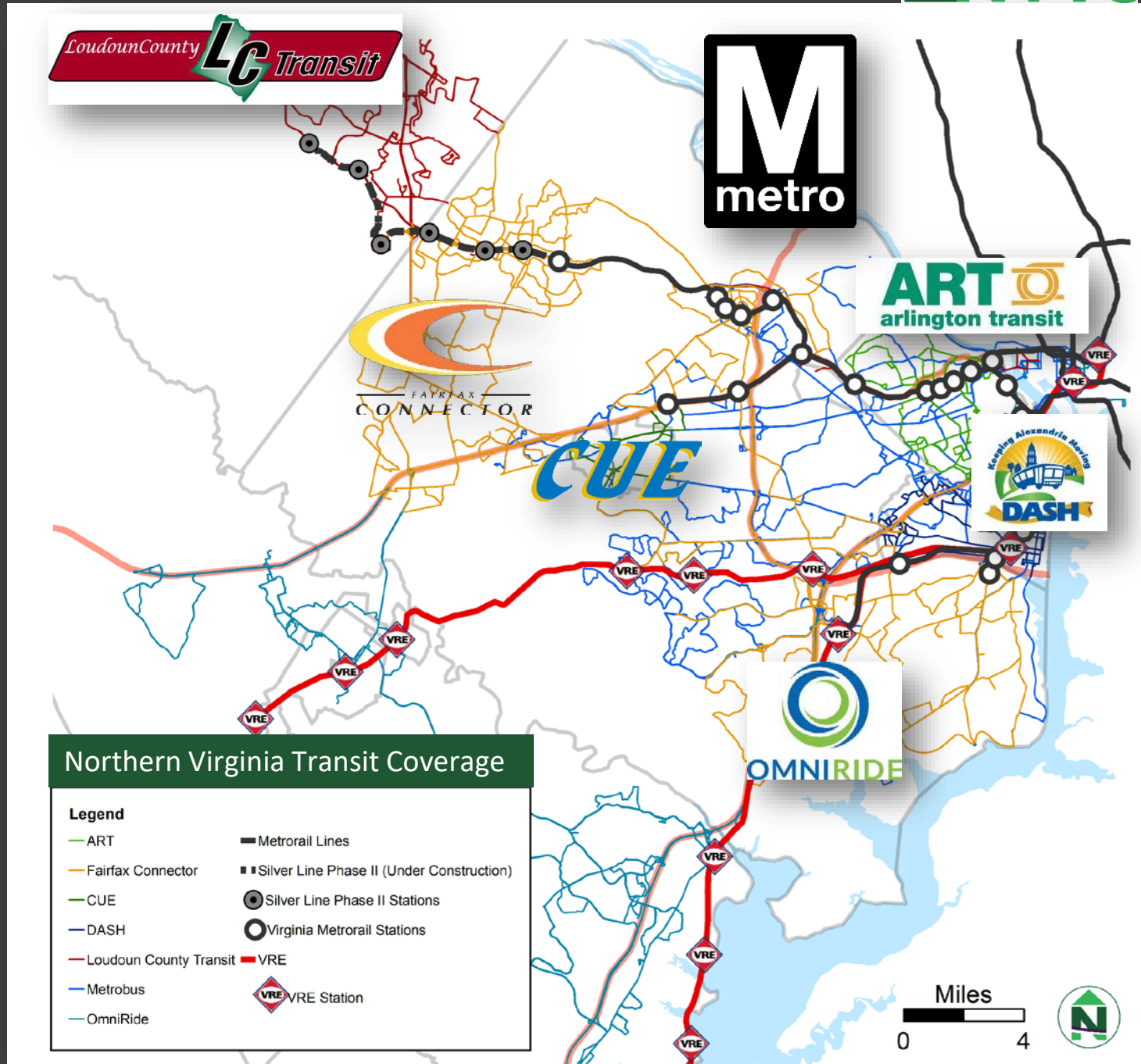
39.1 M Boardings per year

25.8 M route miles/year

Operational Coordination

Integrated Fare Systems

Joint Planning



# Our Bus Network is Multifaceted

- Local Bus
- Routes to Connect to Metro / VRE Stations
- Express and Commuter Bus
- Bus Rapid Transit
- On Demand Shuttles





## Our Operators are Planning for the Future

- Upgrading fare technologies
- Investing in new fleets and improved bus stops
- Actively designing Bus Rapid Transit routes
- Expanding transit on HOV and HOT lanes



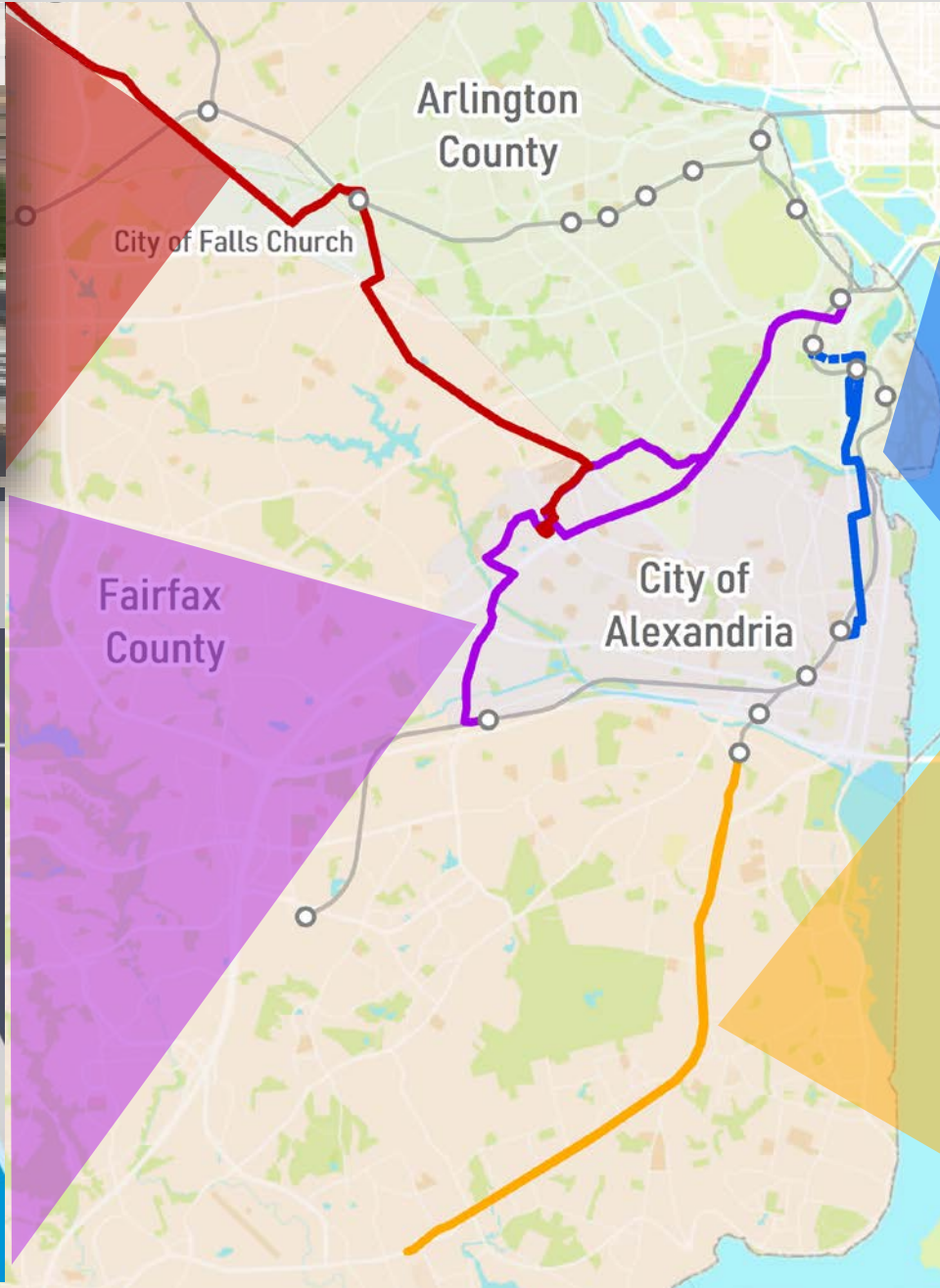
# Metroway – The Region's First BRT

- First phase opened in 2014
- Operated by WMATA
- Portion using dedicated bus lanes
- Set Headways
  - 6 minute peak
  - 12 minutes off-peak daytime
  - 20 minute weekend
- Links Pentagon City, Crystal City, and Braddock Road Metro Stations
- Shown continual ridership growth

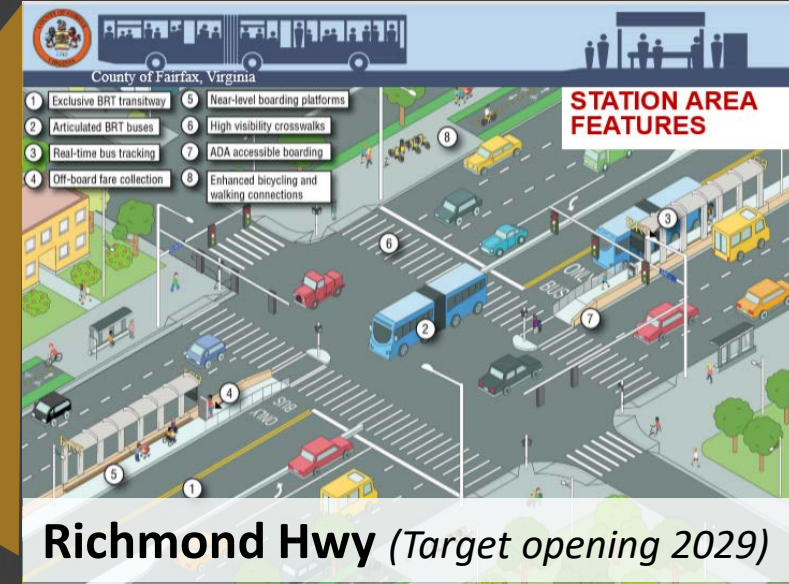


# Bus Rapid Transit Projects in the Pipeline

## Envision Route 7 (Opening TBD)



## Metroway (Expansion planned)



## Richmond Hwy (Target opening 2029)



Northern Virginia is Also Expanding its Express Bus Network



# Virginia Express Lane Toll Revenues: Funding 46 projects, including Express Buses



Taking 9,000 cars off the road each day

Connecting 30 activity centers across Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia

Removed 1+ million annual hours of delay from commuters

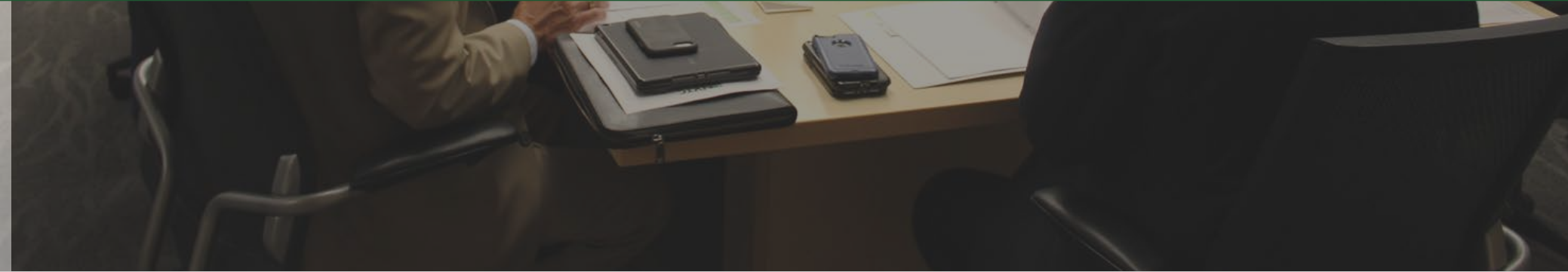
- 12 new express bus routes
  - Nine routes on I-66 and three routes on I-395/95
- Added service to 12 existing routes
  - Seven routes on I-66 and five routes on I-395/95
- Helped construct Stone Ridge Park and Ride lot
- Funded bus amenities, including significant ADA-compliant upgrades

## Planning for the Future

- NVTC, our jurisdictions, and WMATA are continually collaborating on operational, project-specific, and planning efforts
- As Northern Virginia conducts its next transportation plan (TransAction), NVTC and our jurisdictions will be at the table to identify new BRT and bus lane opportunities.
- As Virginia expands its Express Lane network, NVTC and our jurisdictions will be at the table to identify more express bus funding opportunities.



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