Lawrence to Bryn Mawr Modernization Project

It’s time to rebuild.
It’s time to rebuild our 100-year-old rail system

We know that any large-scale project of this nature asks a lot from the community. Therefore, we have taken a mindful approach to construction and are doing what we can to minimize disruptions and negative impacts. Though this project will be worth it when it’s done, we firmly believe that what we do today and along the way is just as important.

We get there together.

What you can expect.

The new structure will be built in halves, Stage A and B, to have as few service disruptions as possible, while minimizing community impacts.

Stage A construction focuses on the east half of the tracks and Stage B on the west half. The Pre-Stage work already underway makes systems and track improvements to shift from the current four-track system to a two-track system in advance of Stage A work.

CTA’s Commitment.

CTA requires the contractor to perform the following to minimize community disruptions:

1. Use construction methods and equipment that limit impacts
2. Provide alternative parking to affected residents
3. Prohibit construction workers from using street parking
4. Maintain two temporary CTA stations throughout the life of the project
5. Open a local RPM Outreach Center to connect with individuals and businesses
To complete the Lawrence to Bryn Mawr Modernization (LBMM) work with as few CTA service disruptions as possible, CTA will build the new structure in halves (Stage A and Stage B). This approach allows rail service to be maintained, while minimizing community impacts.

**Work Includes:**
- Interlocking on tracks at Montrose Ave. and Thordale Ave.: Installation of track interlockings, which allows trains to safely merge over two tracks.
- Temporary stations at Bryn Mawr and Argyle Stations: Temporary stations will be built to maintain station access during Stage A construction.
- Wall repairs between Ardmore Ave. and Leland Ave.: 90-year old retaining walls below CTA tracks will be repaired before Stage A construction can begin.
- Signal modifications between Loyola Station and Addison Station: Signal modifications will be made, allowing trains to continue to run during Stage A construction.

**Impacts**

There will be weekend and overnight work, which includes rerouting trains and by-passing certain stations. This work takes place at these times to minimize impacts to CTA customers. Weekend work generally begins Friday evenings and ends Monday mornings to avoid weekday rush periods.

**Street and Alley Closures**

There will be alley, street and parking closures during Pre-Stage work.

**Street Closures**
- Montrose Ave. (between Kenmore Ave. and Clifton Ave.)
- Ardmore Ave. (between Winthrop Ave. and Broadway)
- Other intermittent street parking removal and lane closures will occur on cross streets between Montrose Ave. and Thordale Ave.

**Alley Closures**

To repair retaining walls, install track level railings, install signal houses and build temporary platforms, the following alleys will need to be closed intermittently:
- Alleys west of CTA tracks (from Thordale Ave. to Leland Ave.)
- Alley east of CTA tracks (from Thordale Ave. to Ardmore Ave.)
- Alley west of Broadway (between Sunnyside Ave. and Montrose Ave.)
- Alley west of Kenmore Ave. (between Montrose Ave. and Buena Ave.)

**Noise and Nighttime Lights**

There will be construction-related noise and nighttime lights at both street and track level.

**Service Impacts**

Pre-Stage construction requires trains to be rerouted, so certain stations may need to be closed or bypassed in one direction. To minimize impacts to CTA customers, work will often take place on weekends and overnight.

**Temporary Stations**

Construction of temporary stations on Argyle and Bryn Mawr begins.

Temporary stations will open when Stage A begins.

**Resources:**

RPM Outreach Center:
5137 N. Broadway (Spring 2020)

Sign up to receive project alerts:
transitchicago.com/rpmalerts

Sign up to receive service alerts:
transitchicago.com/alerts

Please note that dates are subject to change.
Stage A Construction  
Late 2020 - 2022

Stage B Construction  
2022 - 2024

Closed Stations with no temporary stations
Lawrence and Berwyn

RPM Outreach Center
5137 N. Broadway

Temporary stations will move in Stage B.
Parking locations are subject to change.
Stage A will combine CTA’s current services on the Red and Purple Line, from 4 tracks onto 2 tracks (the current southbound tracks). The new track structure will be built for the northbound tracks. CTA rail service will continue through construction; however, rides may take longer.

Work includes:
- Track structure construction (drilled shaft foundations and columns)
- Partial demolition of existing Argyle and Bryn Mawr Stations
- Demolition of existing Lawrence and Berwyn Stations
- Demolition of existing viaducts
- Partial demolition of existing retaining walls
- Assembly of gantry construction equipment

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Street Closures
The following streets between Winthrop Ave. and Broadway will experience extended closures to facilitate construction:
- Andmore Ave.
- Catalpa Ave.
- Balmoral Ave.
- Winona St.
- Ainslie Ave.

Weekend Closures
The following streets between Winthrop Ave. and Broadway will experience periodic weekend closures (from Friday evenings to Monday mornings):
- Foster Ave.
- Lawrence Ave.
- Leland Ave.
- Hollywood Ave.
- Bryn Mawr Ave.
- Berwyn Ave.

Weekday Closures
Based on business and community feedback, Argyle St. between Winthrop Ave. and Broadway will experience periodic weekend closures on weekday periods (Monday evenings to Thursday mornings) in order to minimize impacts during weekends the busiest business days.

In addition to the specific street closures noted, lane closures on portions of cross streets located under the track structure are expected during Stage A.

Alley Closures
Alleys immediately east of the CTA tracks will experience extended closures while the new track structure (including its foundation and retaining wall) is built.

The alley immediately west of the CTA tracks will experience daily closures.

Daily and Extended Alley Closures
Alleys serving blocks on east side of the tracks, between Throndale Ave. and Leland Ave., will experience closures.

Services Impacts
- Station closures
- Bus reroutes
- Anticipate longer trips

Street & Alley Closures

Station Closures

Late 2020-2024
Lawrence - Closed
Riders can access the train at the Wilson Station (2 blocks south) or the Argyle Temporary Station (2 blocks north).

Berwyn - Closed
Riders can access the train at the Argyle Temporary Station (3 blocks south) or the Bryn Mawr Temporary Station (3 blocks north).

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Stage A: Argyle Temporary Station

Construction of temporary station on Argyle begins as part of the Pre-Stage work.

During Stage A, riders will enter through the new temporary station entrance, which will be located in the storefront immediately west of the existing station.

Temporary station will open when Stage A begins, and location will move in Stage B.
**Stage A: Bryn Mawr Temporary Station**

Construction of temporary station on Bryn Mawr begins as part of the Pre-Stage work.

During Stage A, southbound riders will enter at the new Bryn Mawr Temporary Station entrance on Broadway, north of Bryn Mawr Avenue. Northbound riders will enter through the existing station entrance on Bryn Mawr Avenue.

Temporary station will open when Stage A begins, and location will move in Stage B.
Stage B will require shutting down the existing southbound Red and Purple Line tracks and moving all trains onto the new northbound track structure built in Stage A.

Stage B work will result in the temporary Argyle Station moving and Bryn Mawr Station becoming southbound only. Both stations will have new platforms and tracks.

CTA rail service will continue throughout construction, but there will be service impacts including:

• Station closures
• Bus reroutes
• Anticipated longer trips

Further details will be provided as we get closer.