

Temporary rail stations at Bryn Mawr and Argyle now under construction

Q. What are temporary stations and why are we building them?

A. As part of the Red and Purple Modernization (RPM) Phase One project, we plan to completely rebuild the century-old Lawrence, Argyle, Berwyn and Bryn Mawr Red Line stations. To rebuild them, we must close them for nearly four years. However, we are building new temporary stations at two of the four locations, Argyle and Bryn Mawr, to provide our customers with Red Line access during construction 2021-2024.

Q. When do Lawrence, Argyle, Berwyn and Bryn Mawr close?

A. The existing four stations will be closed for reconstruction starting in early 2021. Temporary stations at Argyle and Bryn Mawr will open when the existing stations close.

Q. How long are the Lawrence, Argyle, Berwyn and Bryn Mawr stations closed?

A. The Lawrence and Berwyn stations will close for about 3 1/2 to 4 years and new stations are expected to open by the end of 2024. The original Argyle and Bryn Mawr stations will close at the same time as Lawrence and Berwyn, and temporary stations at Argyle and Bryn Mawr will open to provide access to rail service.

Q. Where will the temporary stations be located and when did construction begin?

The temporary stations are located close to the existing stations that serve passengers today. We began construction of the new temporary stations in Summer 2020. They will open when the existing stations close for reconstruction, expected in early 2021.

Q. Where will the temporary station entrances be located and will those entrances remain the same throughout construction?

A. We will build new stations and tracks in halves, Stage A (2021-2022) and B (2022-2024), so we can continue to provide rail service during construction.

During Stage A (2021-2022):

- CTA will reconstruct the *northbound* Red and Purple Line tracks on the east half of the embankment; trains in both directions will use the two tracks on the west half of the embankment.
- Howard-bound and 95th-bound Red Line service access at temporary Argyle and Bryn Mawr stations will be available.
- Argyle passengers will enter the temporary station on Argyle Street, adjacent to and to the west of the current station.
- Bryn Mawr passengers will enter the temporary station at different locations depending on direction—Howard-bound service will be accessed through the current station entrance, while 95th-bound service will be accessed through a new entrance on the east side of Broadway a half-block north of Bryn Mawr Avenue.



During Stage B (2022-2024)

- CTA will reconstruct the *southbound* Red and Purple Line tracks on the west half of the embankment; trains in both directions will use the two tracks on the newly-built elevated structure along the east half of the alignment.
- Howard-bound and 95th-bound Red Line service access will be available at a new temporary Argyle station entrance.
- Only 95th-bound Red Line service will be available at a new temporary Bryn Mawr station.
- Station entrances for each station will change and we will provide that information to customers in advance.

Q. Why won't you have temporary stations at Lawrence and Berwyn?

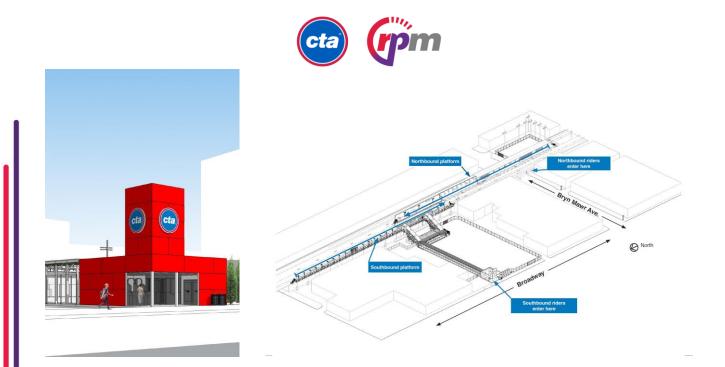
A. There isn't space available to build temporary stations at those locations, unfortunately. Passengers who normally board at Lawrence can use Wilson or temporary Argyle stations; those who normally board at Berwyn can use the temporary Argyle or Bryn Mawr stations. Each alternate station is a quarter mile away from the closed station and connected via the #36 Broadway bus.

Q. What will happen to bus routes that serve the Lawrence and Berwyn stations?

A. We will reroute some bus routes so that customers who access Lawrence station using the #81 Lawrence bus or Berwyn station using the #92 Foster bus will be able to transfer to an open station, while the Lawrence and Berwyn stations are closed. #81 Lawrence service will connect to Wilson station instead of Lawrence station. #92 Foster service will connect to Bryn Mawr station instead of Berwyn station.



Argyle temporary station entrance starting in 2021 when Argyle station closes for reconstruction



Bryn Mawr temporary station, Broadway and Bryn Mawr, left, opens in 2021 when Bryn Mawr station closes for reconstruction; Northbound and southbound entrances at Bryn Mawr temporary station, right.