Kitchener Line 4th Track Project

GO Expansion

GO service is expanding to serve you better - with more frequent service, more stations, cleaner technology, and more connections. Across the entire network, our goal is to deliver over 10,000 train trips a week - so you won't need a schedule because you know the next train will be coming soon. GO Expansion will transform the GO rail network from a commuter service, into an all-day, rapid system.

Work has already started on the Kitchener Line to get you where you need to go, better, faster, and easier.

Project Overview

Transforming the <u>Kitchener Line</u> into a two-way, all-day rapid transit line is a massive undertaking. The project

is made up of many different pieces of work that, once complete, will fit together seamlessly to deliver increased service and connections from Union Station to Kitchener GO.

To enable increased service on the Kitchener Line, improvements will be made along the rail corridor and to some existing stations.

More work is happening on the Kitchener Line in Toronto between Black Creek Drive and Lansdowne Avenue that will allow for future GO service increases. The latest round of improvements includes track installation, and upgrades to Bloor GO Station and the West Toronto Railpath that will improve customer experience and increase access and connections in the community.



Improvements

More service, more connections, more reasons to love transit. We're bringing the following improvements to your neighborhood:

- A new, approximately 2.5-kilometer section of fourth track, will be installed from Lansdowne Avenue to Dupont Street to increase capacity on the Kitchener Line
- A new pedestrian tunnel will connect Bloor GO Station with Randolph Avenue and a covered pedestrian pavilion will be added to access the station
- Realignment of the West Toronto Railpath multi-use trail and the addition of plantings, gardens, and seating
- A new community park along the West Toronto Railpath at Ernest Avenue
- Noise barrier and retaining wall installation
- Modifications to the existing Bloor Street West pedestrian bridge, which will include a taller fence on the west side of the bridge to increase safety



Caption: Artist's rendering of the new entrance pavilion from the West Toronto Railpath. (Metrolinx image)

Benefits

- The new fourth track will allow for future service increases of 15 minutes or better on the Kitchener Line as more trains can travel in both directions along the corridor.
- Improved connections to GO Transit and UP Express services through the construction of a new pedestrian entrance to Bloor GO Station.
- Increased community connection points and a new park at Ernest Avenue will give you more reasons to love the West Toronto Railpath.
- New plantings will enhance the ecology along the West Toronto Railpath.
- The installation of noise walls will mean less train noise from the nearby tracks.

What You Need To Know

- Construction will commence in June 2022 and will be ongoing until 2025.
- The multiple projects taking place along the Kitchener Line must be completed prior to the implementation of the major GO service increases planned as part of GO Expansion.
- Metrolinx will communicate with the local community and GO customers to ensure they are aware of any construction, service or station impacts.
- To ask a question about this project please e-mail our dedicated community engagement team.
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