

**Swift Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit  
Everett, Washington  
Small Starts Project Development  
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The Snohomish County Public Transportation Benefit Area Corporation (Community Transit), proposes to implement bus rapid transit (BRT) along a 15-mile corridor in Snohomish County, Washington, from Everett Station to the Smokey Point Transit Center in Arlington. The approximately 21-station, north-south connection will connect at Everett Station to the Swift Blue Line BRT and other regional services such as Sound Transit express bus services, Flixbus, Amtrak intercity rail, and the Sounder commuter rail. Community Transit is considering the implementation of BRT features such as dedicated lanes, off-board fare collection, and improved stations compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Project's current estimated capital cost is \$189-\$199 million. Community Transit has not yet determined the CIG amount it will request from the Small Starts program.

Community Transit believes that the project would establish a high-capacity transit service that generates an alternative to driving, enhances transit reliability, supports higher density growth, improves transit connectivity between local and regional services, and provides better connected, safer, and more comfortable transit stops.

Community Transit anticipates selecting the locally preferred alternative (LPA) in November 2026, completing the environmental review process with an anticipated Documented Categorical Exclusion in November 2026, and adopting the LPA into the fiscally constrained long-range plan by January 2027. Community Transit further anticipates receiving a Small Starts Grant Agreement in early 2029 and beginning revenue service by early 2031.

