

North South Bus Rapid Transit Project
Chapel Hill, North Carolina
Small Starts Project Development
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Chapel Hill Transit (CHT) proposes to implement bus rapid transit (BRT) in an 8.2 mile corridor in the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina. The proposed North-South BRT will include 16 stations, 12 vehicles, and dedicated lanes along 85 percent of the alignment. CHT believes the project will provide improved mobility and accessibility in the corridor while accommodating anticipated growth in travel demand by students and seniors. Both of these groups have high rates of transit ridership.

The project's current capital cost estimate is between \$96.8 million and \$105.9 million. CHT expects to seek between \$77.4 million and \$84.7 million dollars in Small Starts funding. CHT selected a locally preferred alternative on April 27, 2016, and it was adopted into the region's fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan on October 19, 2016. CHT expects to complete the environmental review process by the spring of 2018, receive a Small Starts Grant Agreement by early 2019, and begin revenue service in 2020.