

Blue Line Rapid Transit Project
Indianapolis, Indiana
Small Starts Project Development
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The Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo) proposes to implement Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in the 23.5-mile Washington Street corridor between the Indianapolis International Airport, downtown Indianapolis, and the Town of Cumberland. The project includes approximately 27 new stations and will be operated with battery-powered electric buses. IndyGo is determining the length of dedicated lanes that the project will include, as well as the project's routing to serve the airport. IndyGo estimates the project's capital cost to be \$150 million and expects to seek \$75 million from the Small Starts program. IndyGo believes that the project would provide faster, more convenient connections to employment and educational institutions for residents of some of Indianapolis's most disadvantaged neighborhoods, while also encouraging transit-supportive economic development in the corridor.

IndyGo expects to select a locally preferred alternative in June 2018 and have it adopted into the region's fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan in July 2018. IndyGo anticipates completing the environmental review process with the receipt of a Documented Categorical Exclusion in summer 2019, receiving a Small Starts Grant Agreement in late 2020, and opening the Blue Line for revenue service in late 2021.