

**Purple Rapid Transit Line
Indianapolis, Indiana
Small Starts Project Development
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The Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo) proposes to implement Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in a 14.6-mile corridor that connects the Julia M. Carson Transit Center in downtown Indianapolis to the Major General Emmett J. Bean Federal Center in downtown Lawrence. The proposed project is a fixed-guideway BRT service. It includes 22 new stations that will be served by battery-powered electric buses. Seventy percent (10.2 miles) of the alignment will be in exclusive lanes, part of which will be shared by the Red Line BRT service, which is expected to enter service prior to the Purple Line. The project's current estimated capital cost is \$140 million. IndyGo has not yet identified the amount of Small Starts funding it will seek for the project. IndyGo believes that the project will greatly improve connectivity and accessibility to a corridor that contains some of the highest concentrations of population, poverty, and transit-dependent individuals in the Central Indiana region.

IndyGo selected a locally preferred alternative in 2015, and expects its adoption into the region's fiscally constrained long-ranged transportation plan in August 2017. IndyGo anticipates completing the environmental review process with the receipt of a Documented Categorical Exclusion in spring 2018, receiving a Small Starts Grant Agreement in 2019, and opening the Purple Line for revenue service in 2020.