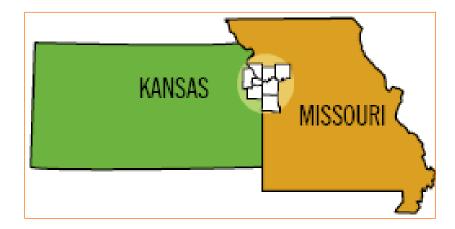


## MAX BUS RAPID TRANSIT

## Metropolitan Kansas City

- Bi-state (Kansas/Missouri)
- 1.8M Population
- All Bus Transit
- 63 Routes



- 55,000 Weekday Riders
- 16 Million Annual Trips

## **Arterial BRT Lines**

Main Street MAX
 \$21 Million
 6,000+ Daily Riders
 Opened July 2005

Troost MAX
 \$30 Million
 8,500+ Daily Riders
 Opened January 2011



#### Metro Area Express - MAX Objectives

- Attract New Riders
- Reduce Travel Time
- Implement Quickly
- No New Taxes
- Operate Like Rail
- Unique Branding



#### Main St. MAX Orange Line



# MAIN STREET

## - RegBral Penter

- > 150,000 Jobs
- Civic & Cultural Centers
- Residential Growth

#### 6+ Miles

#### Connecting:

- River Market
- Downtown CBD
- Crown Center
- Midtown
- Country Club Plaza







## Why Bus Rapid Transit?

Previous LRT Studies Bus Rapid Transit Lower Cost Than Rail Faster Implementation Retain Significant Benefits Existing Funding Sources



## Main St. MAX – Opened July 2005

"Bus Only" Lanes Peak Hour "Bus Only" Midtown Full-time "Bus Only" Downtown Qualify as "Fixed Guideway" Signal Upgrades & TSP Limited / Far Side Stops Travel Time Savings



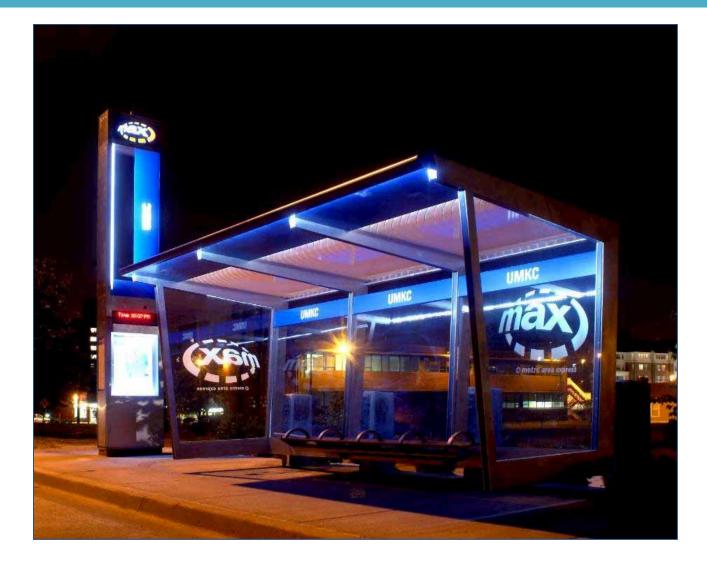


## **MAX Station Design Goals**

- "Station" Not Stop
- Distinctive Design
- Enhance Image
- Reflect MAX Brand
- Real Time Info
- Existing ROW



#### **Main Street MAX Stations**



### **Stations as Landmai**

Permanence
Station Naming
Landmarks
Districts/Neighborhoods
Real Time Information
Wayfinding

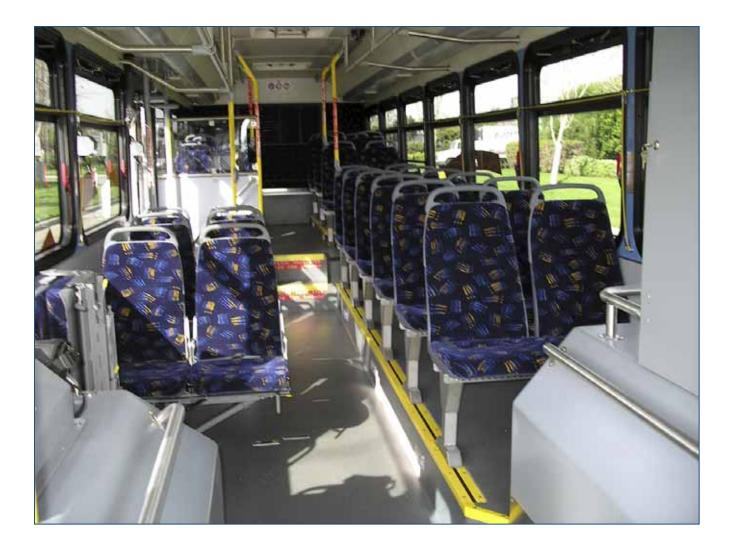




#### MAX Vehicles



#### **MAX Vehicles**



#### Infrastructure Improvements

 Partnered with KCMO
 Repaved 6 Lanes
 Concrete Pads at All Stations
 Repaired Sidewalks, Inlets & Reset Manhole Covers
 Traffic Signal Upgrades
 Transit Signal Priority





#### **Main Street MAX Service**

□ 4 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Weekdays: 10Minutes 15 at Night

Saturdays: 15 Minutes 30 at Night

Sundays: 30 Minutes



### Main Street MAX Success

- High Customer Satisfaction
- Positive Community Response
- Attracting Choice Riders
- Visitor and Event Service
- Increased Ridership
- Regional BRT System





#### Troost MAX Green Line



### **Troost Corridor**

- Long History
- Historic Racial Divide
- Lower Income
- High Transit Dependency
- Economic Need
- Neglected Infrastructure
- Slow Local Bus Service







## **Troost Corridor**

7,500 Daily Boarding Connecting Routes Major Activity Center Downtown Hospital Hill Green Impact Zone Universities Federal Complex



## FTA 'Very Small Starts'

- Substantial Branded Stations
  - 44 Stations/2 per Intersection
  - 3 Park-and-Rides
- Signal Priority at 30 Intersections
- 14 Low-Floor Buses
- Artwork at 3 Locations
- Planning Started in 2006
- Operational Jan. 1, 2011



## **Green Line Operations**

- Troost MAX
   Every 10 Minutes All Day
   >20% Travel Time Savings
- Troost Local30 Minutes All Day
- Corridor Operating Costs
   Pre-MAX \$4.5 Million
   MAX & Local \$4.9 Million





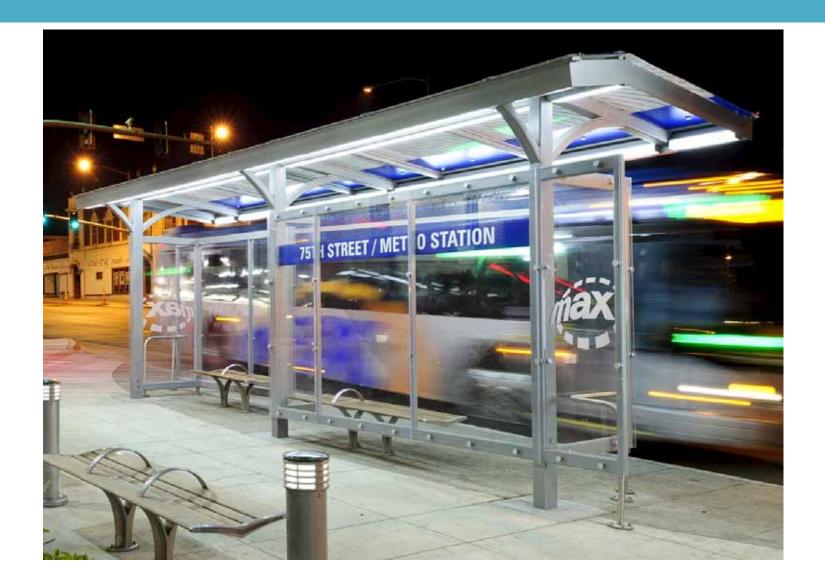
#### **Troost MAX Stations**

## Every 4 Blocks Park-and-Rides

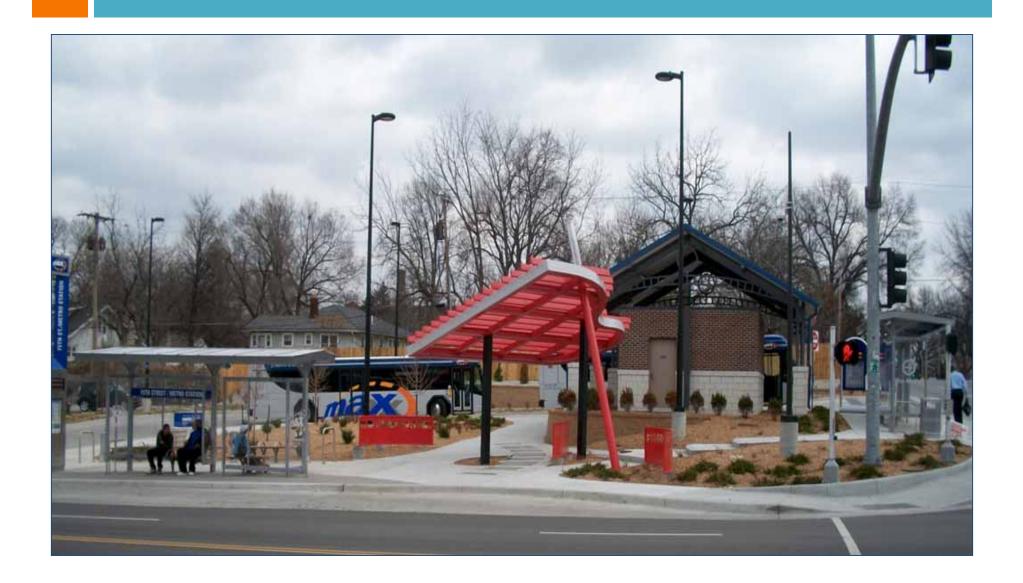
Larger StationsPassenger



#### **Troost MAX Stations**



#### 75<sup>th</sup> St. MetroStation



#### **MAX Green Initiatives**











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#### **MAX Troost Artwork**







## MAX Bike & Trail Connections



## Transit Oriented Development









#### **Sustained MAX Success**

 Customer Satisfaction
 Ridership Growth
 UPASS Program
 Development Opportunities
 Demand for More

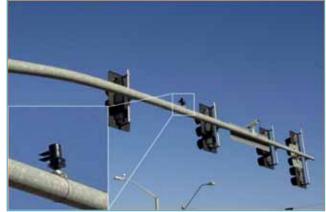
**MAX** Lines



## Lessons Learned – Challenges

- Bus Lane Enforcement
- Signal Priority
- Boarding Delays
- Stations in ROW
- Operating and Maintenance Costs





## Lessons Learned – Opportunities

- Branding
- Rider Acceptance
- Partnerships
- Non-Transit Infrastructure
- Bike/Pedestrian Connections





#### MAX – METRO AREA EXPRESS

Main Street MAX Orange Line **Troost MAX Green Line** [[]