



SYSTEM REDESIGN – Phase 3

Imagine a Better Bus System

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A quick review:
How did we get here?

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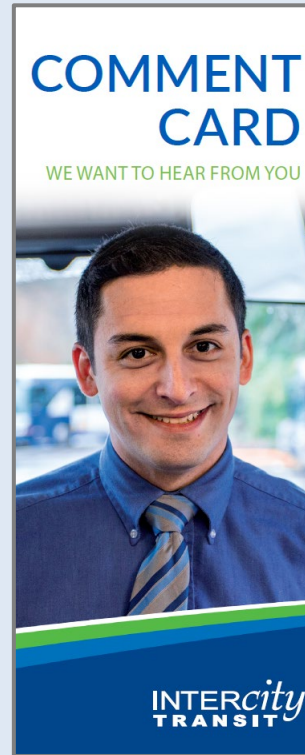


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More
Buses!

More
Places!

More
Often!



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Proposition 1 (2018)

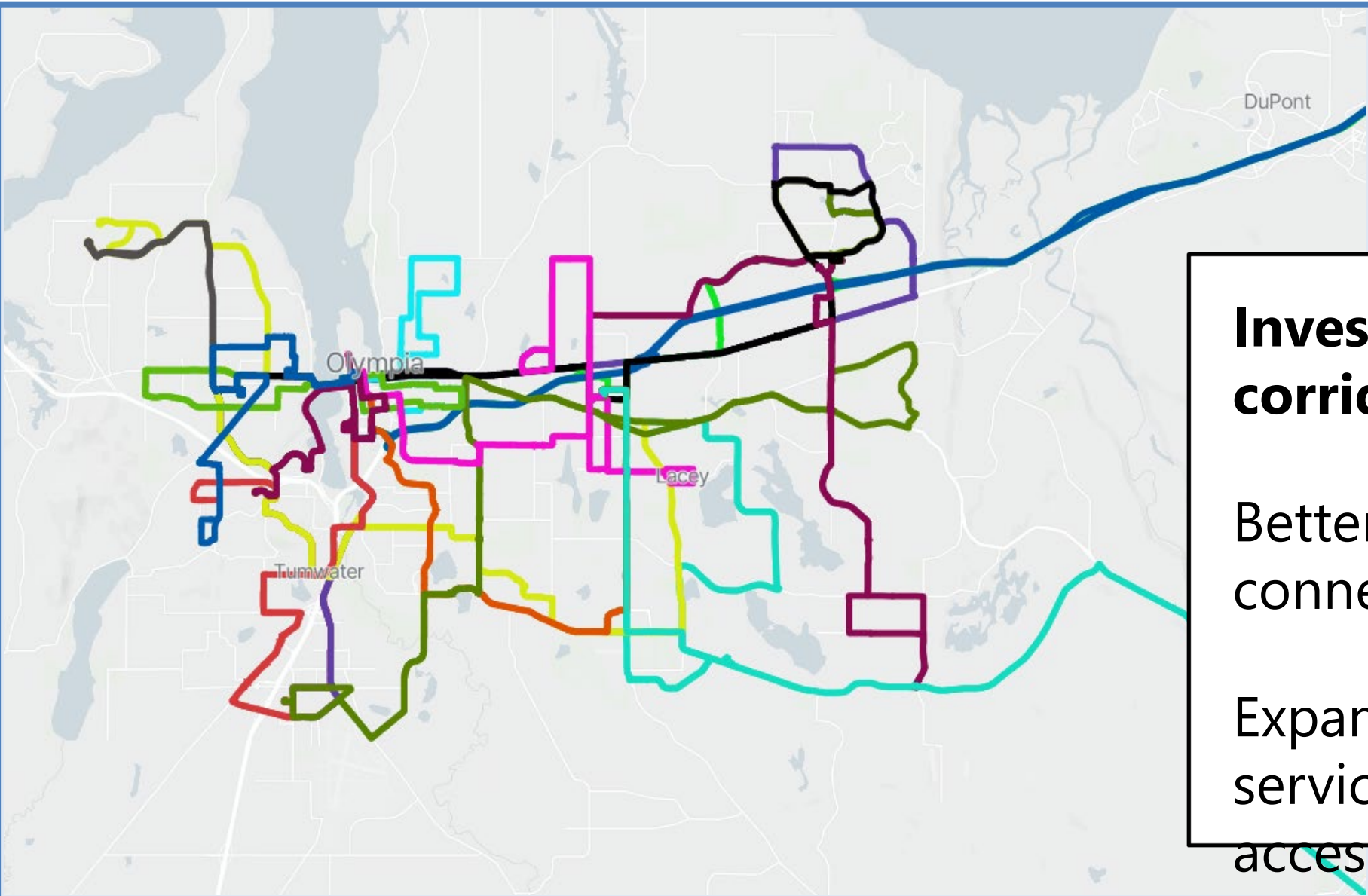


Proposed Improvements:

1. Extended Span
2. Improved Frequency
3. Service to New Areas
4. On-Time Performance
5. Enhance Capital Facilities
6. Bus Rapid Transit
7. Night Owl Service
8. Enhanced Commuter Service
9. Fare Collection Efficiencies



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Invest in the corridors

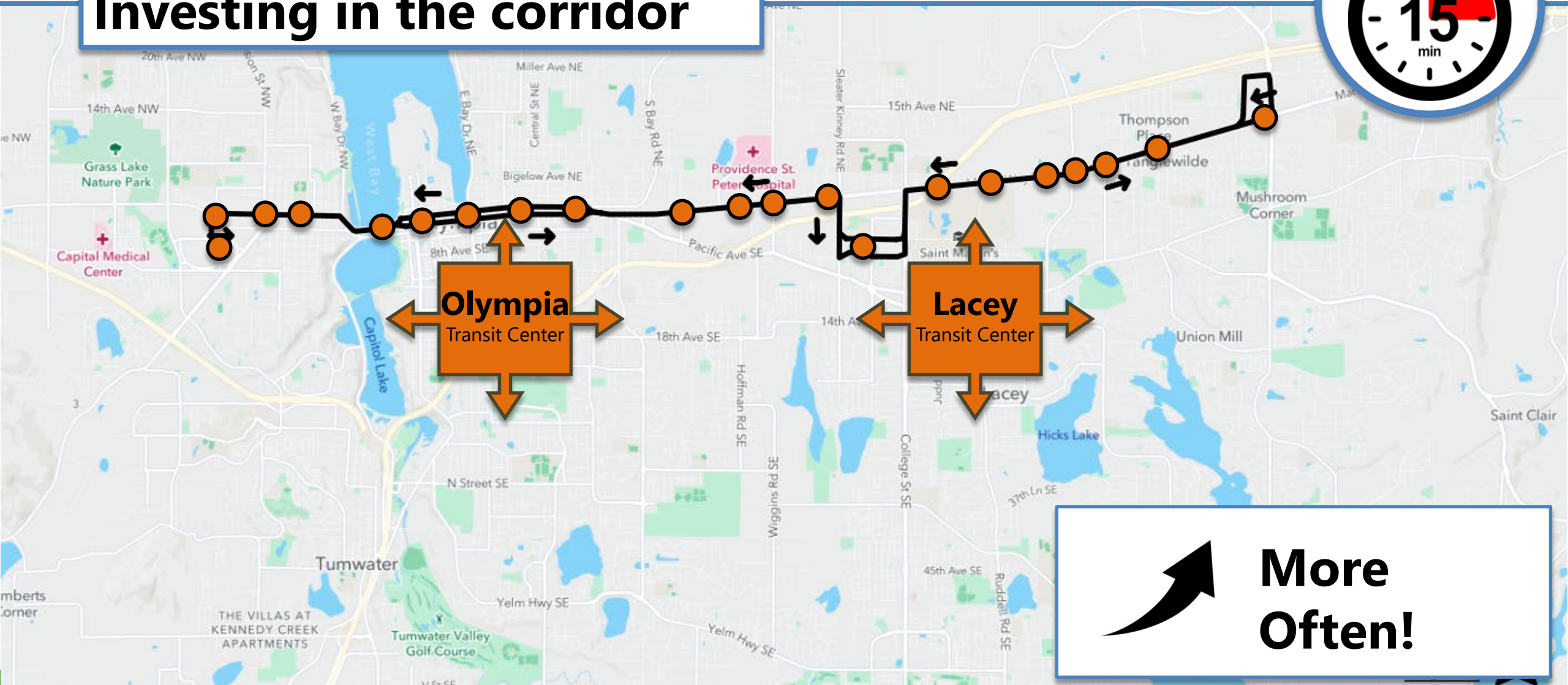
Better connectivity

Expanded service & access



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Investing in the corridor



**More
Often!**

System Redesign: Shared Frequency

Frequent and Direct College Street

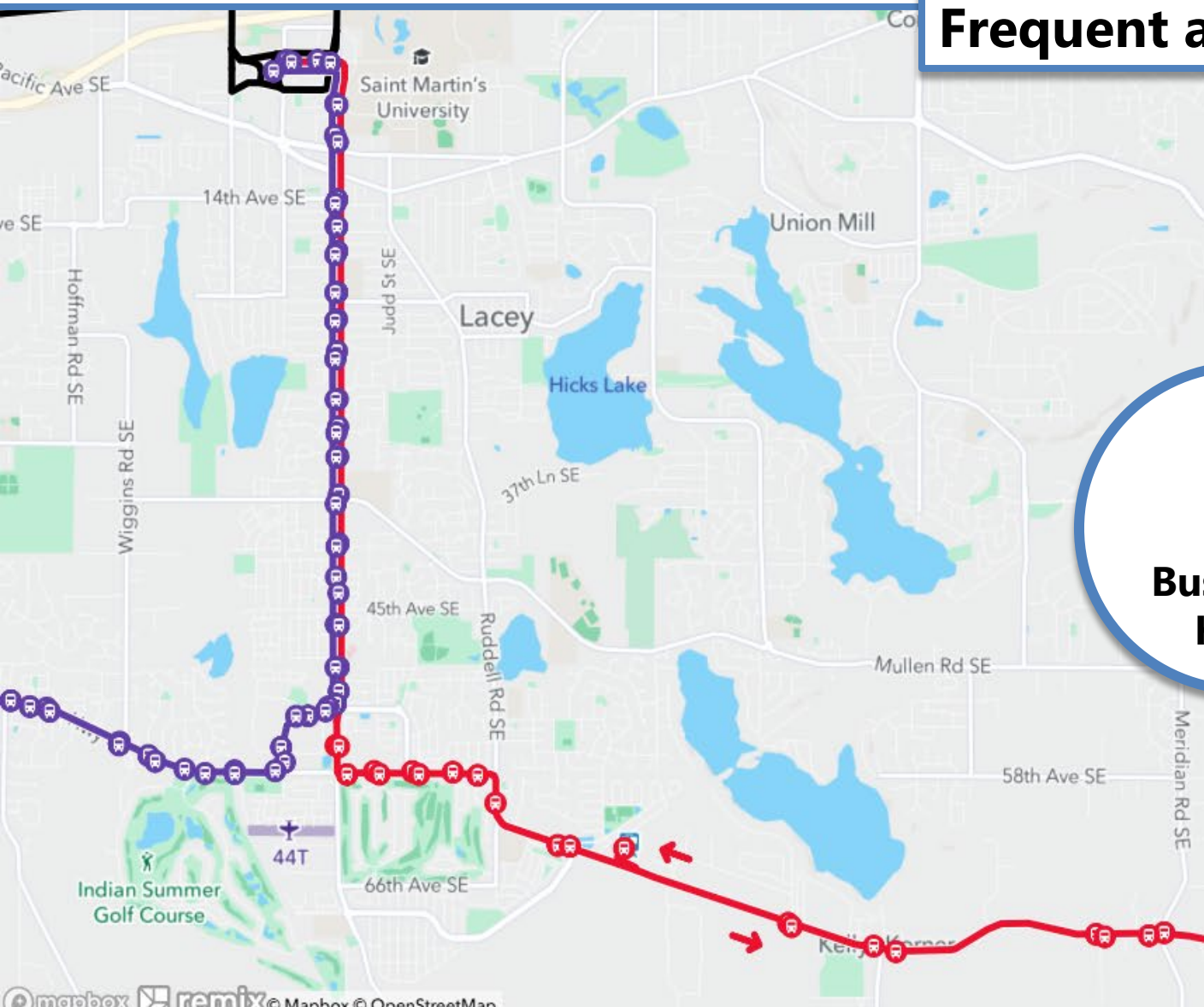


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Buses per
Hour

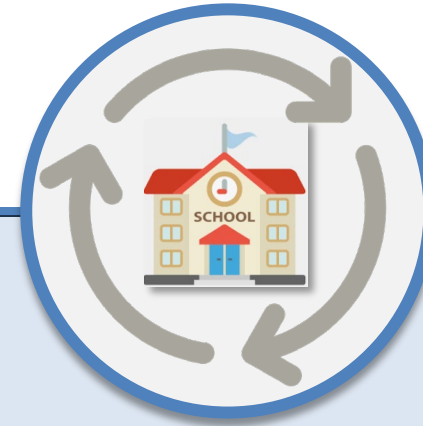
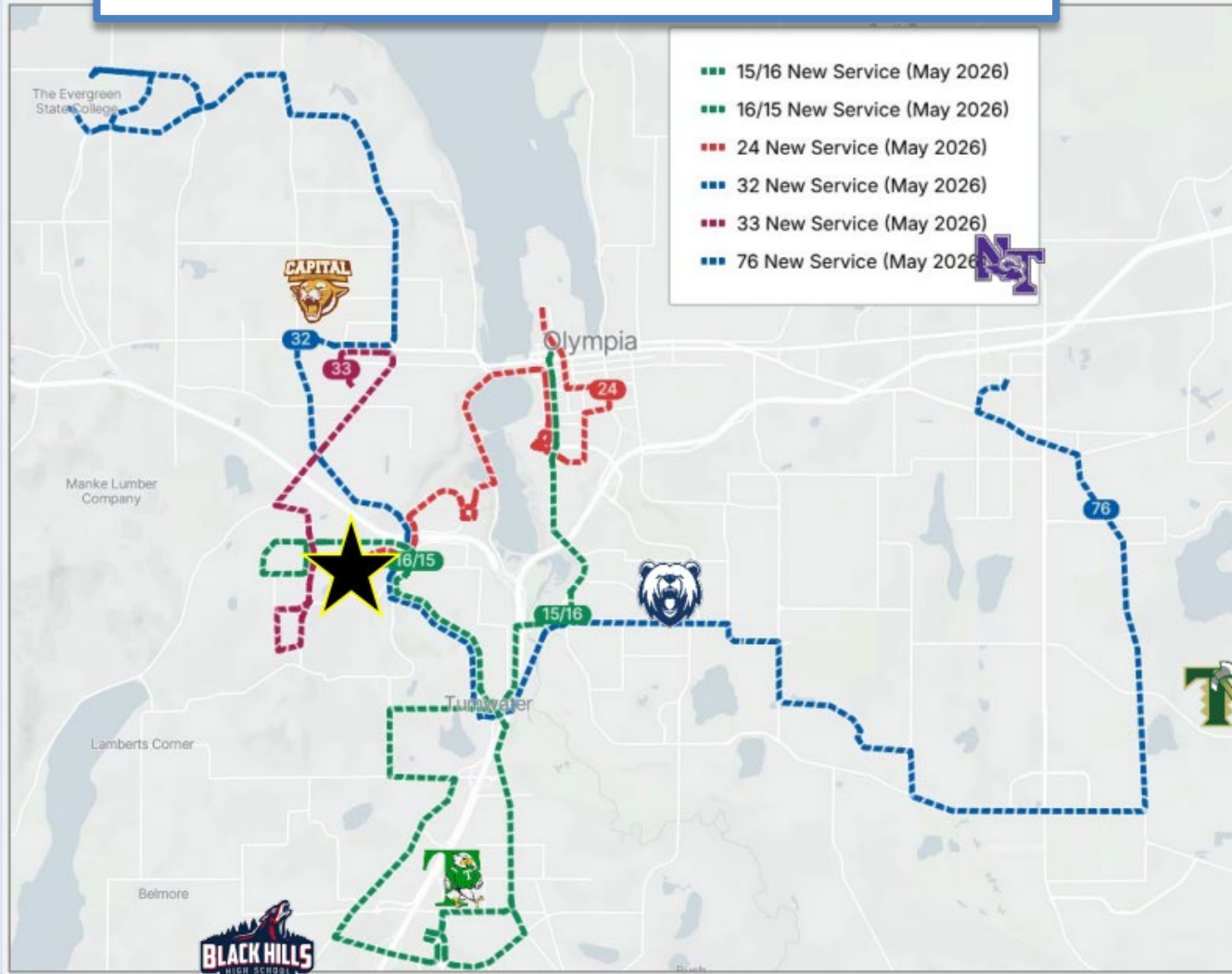


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System Redesign: Interlines

One-Seat Rides



Students and Families

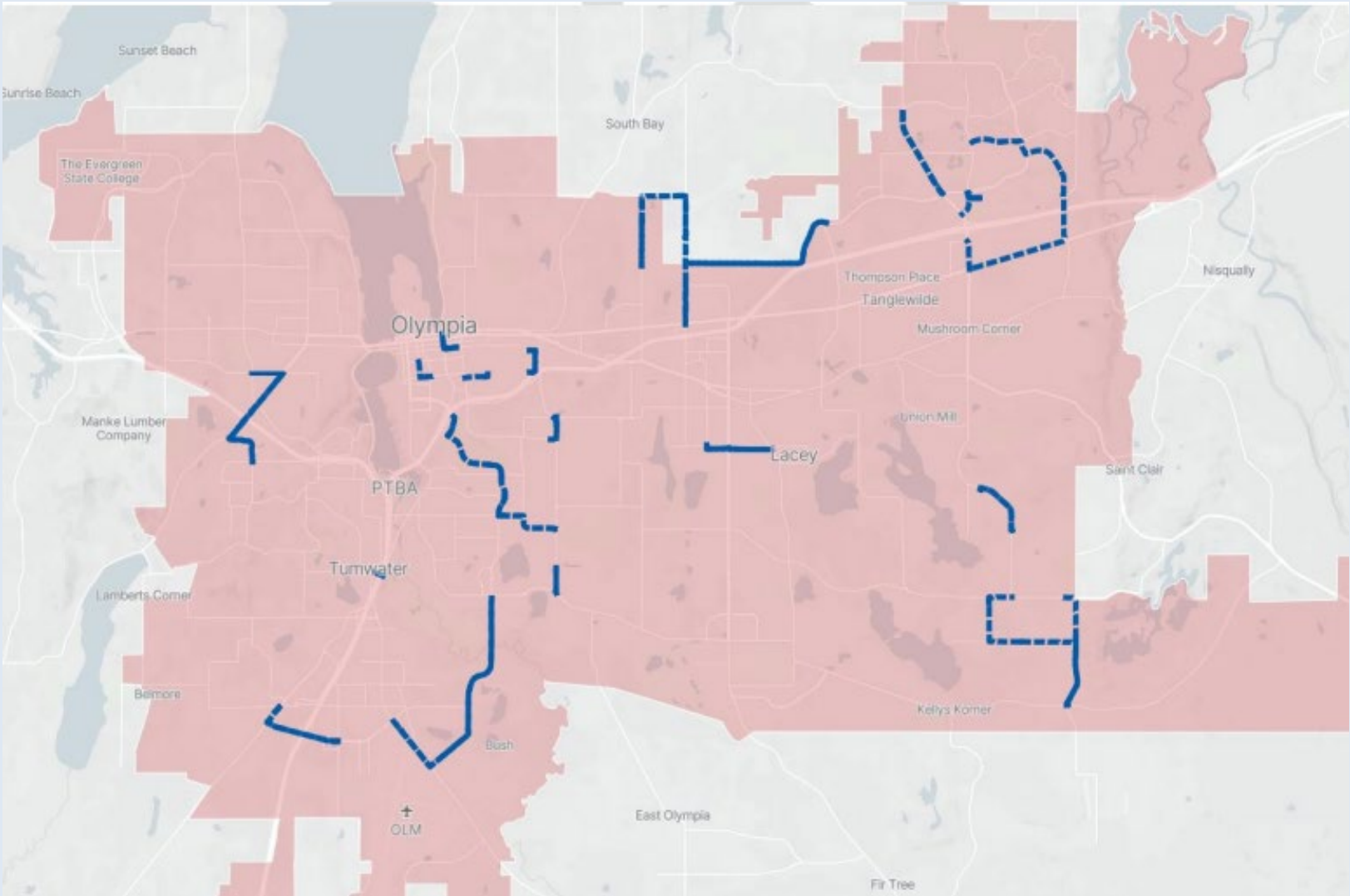
School attendance boundaries were used to guide route design.

A purposeful convenience intended to benefit early-morning classes, after-school sports and activities, and Running Start.



**More
Places!**

System Redesign: New Service



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Buses!**



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Publications

[September 2025 Service Change - Major Service Change Summary & Equity Analysis](#)

[Draft 2025 - 2030 Transit Development Plan](#)

Other Information

[Draft Schedules and Maps](#)

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Bus System Redesign

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Dedicated webpage

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Phase 2	September 2025	Introduction of two new commuter routes.
Phase 3	May 2026	New crosstown BRT-Lite line, as well as replacement of most existing local routes.

Many of the changes are included in the [2025 - 2030 Transit Development Plan](#) and resources to support the system redesign and some of the changes have been allocated in the [2025 Budget](#).

The following sections provide an overview of the bus system redesign; they will continue to evolve as resources are developed and refined so customers can learn about the new system, provide feedback on proposed changes, and plan in advance for necessary changes to how they travel by transit within the [Thurston County Public Transportation Benefit Area \(PTBA\)](#) and beyond.

Why is Intercity Transit redesigning its bus system?

Learn about factors that lead Intercity Transit to propose a bus system redesign, benefits to passengers and the community, and more.

Background Information

System Redesign Process & Timeline

Design and review of the new system is underway. Between now and May 2026, we'll be busy working with local jurisdictions, community partners, and our passengers to help keep everyone informed and engaged.

See the Timeline

Bus System Redesign - Map

In the coming weeks and months, we will provide detailed graphic information about the new system, including descriptions and maps of each route, as well as schedules.

View New System Map

Opportunities to Learn More & Provide Feedback

We want to hear from you! Find out when and where you can provide input on the system redesign and where we'll be to help passengers learn their routes before the redesign is implemented.

Come Talk with Us

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Lots of Information

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Phase 3 – May 2026





Prop 1 Elements	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Ongoing	Developing
Extended Span of Service	✓				
Improved Frequency	✓				
Enhanced Commuter Service		✓			
Bus Rapid Transit			✓		
Service to New Areas			✓		
Fare-Collection Efficiencies				✓	
Enhanced Capital Facilities				✓	
Maintain On-Time Performance				✓	
Night Owl Service					✓



Questions?

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