



# DOWNTOWN MINNEAPOLIS ROUTES 490 EXPRESS 491, 492, 498

*Commuter Service Connecting  
Shakopee and Prior Lake with  
Downtown Minneapolis*

*Connections from Downtown to the  
U of M and Other Regional Services*

*Limited Mid-Day and  
Reverse Commute Service*

*Local Shuttle Connections  
to the Express Service*

## WELCOME TO THE BLUEXPRESS

The BlueXpress is operated by Shakopee Transit and Prior Lake *Laker Lines* to provide non-stop commuter service from Prior Lake and Shakopee to Downtown Minneapolis. Limited reverse commute and mid-day trips also run between Downtown, Southbridge Crossings, and Dakota Parkway.

## FREE PARK & RIDES

- Southbridge Crossings Transit Station (Cty. Rd. 18 and Crossings Boulevard)
- Safe Haven for Youth (13780 McKenna Road NW)
- Seagate Technologies (Cty. Rd. 83 and Hwy. 169). Serves Shuttle buses only.
- Cedar Grove Transit Station (MVTA), near Cedar Ave. & Diffley Rd. on Nicols Ave.

## FARES

**490 BlueXpress, 491 and 492 One-Way Fares**  
(same as regional transit fares)

Peak Express 6-9 a.m. and 3-6:30 p.m. ....	\$3.00
Off-Peak Express .....	\$2.25
Peak Local 6-9 a.m. and 3-6:30 p.m. ....	\$2.25
Off-Peak Local .....	\$1.75
Seniors (65+) and Youth (6-12).....	75¢
(off-peak hours only)	
Persons with Disabilities .....	75¢
(riders must be qualified)	

**498 Shuttle** .....FREE

## HOW TO PAY THE FARE

- Shakopee and Prior Lake buses accept all regional passes including SuperSavers 31-Day or Stored Value Cards, U-Passes, Go-To Cards, and Metropasses or pay exact cash.

- Please pay your morning fare as you board the Express Route 490 buses and pay your evening fare as you exit.
- On the Reverse Commute 491 buses, pay as you exit in AM and as you enter in the PM.
- Request transfers to other regional buses or the light rail as you pay. Valid for 2.5 hours.
- Shuttle Routes 498 are FREE so no transfers will be issued.

## DISCOUNT FARE CARDS

- Order the rechargeable Go-To Card online, or add value, at [www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org) (click on Fares & Passes). Pay by credit card and the Go-To Card will be mailed directly to you.



- The computerized Go-To Cards and other SuperSavers discounted cards can be purchased at the Downtown Transit Store, 719 Marquette Ave, or any transit station. For other retail locations, call 612-373-3333 or go to [www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org).
- SuperSavers discounted cards can be purchased locally at Rainbow Foods in Savage, Eden Prairie, and Bloomington; or Cub Foods in Savage, Burnsville (2), and Bloomington.



## SERVICE DAYS & HOLIDAYS

- The BlueXpress operates Monday-Friday except on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving (Thursday-Friday), and Christmas Day.
- Service on days before and after holidays may be limited. Passengers will be notified in advance.

## REVERSE COMMUTE

Limited service is available from Downtown to Southbridge Crossings and Dakota Parkway in the morning, with return trips later in the day. (See times on other side.)

## MID-DAY SERVICE

Limited service mid-day between Dakota Parkway, Southbridge Crossings and Downtown allow you to work a half-day or come home early for an emergency. (See schedule on other side for details.)

## FLAGGING THE SHUTTLE

The 498 buses will stop at any safe point along their route if you "wave the bus down."

## GUARANTEED RIDE HOME

You can register in the Regional Guaranteed Ride Home program if you ride the bus at least 3 times a week. You will receive 2 coupons every 6 months for an emergency ride home. Use the coupons on any bus or submit for reimbursement of cab fare for up to \$25. Register at [www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org).

## WHEELCHAIRS & BIKES

- All vehicles are wheelchair lift-equipped.
- All buses are equipped with bike racks.

## ADA SERVICE



Service for Americans with Disabilities, provided by *SmartLink Transit*, is available by calling 952-496-8001. TTY service at same number.

## REGIONAL CONNECTIONS

Connections are available from Downtown Minneapolis to most major metro locations. *Connections to/from U of M West and East Banks are available from Gateway Ramp.* No additional fare required with a BlueXpress transfer (valid for 2.5 hours).

For details go to [www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org) and click on "Trip Planner" or call 612-373-3333.



Scott County and the cities of Shakopee and Prior Lake have joined together to provide BlueXpress service. We are working together to serve you!



Questions? Comments?  
Lost and Found?  
For more information:

**CALL**  
952-496-8800  
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.  
TTY 952-496-8001

**CLICK**  
[www.BlueXpressBus.com](http://www.BlueXpressBus.com)

or go to  
[www.ci.shakopee.mn.us](http://www.ci.shakopee.mn.us)  
[www.cityofpriorlake.com](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com)  
[www.smartlinktransit.com](http://www.smartlinktransit.com)

*All fares and schedules are subject to change.  
Traffic and weather conditions may delay buses.*

**NORTHBOUND to Downtown Minneapolis**

	Dakotah Parkway	Town Square Mall	Holmes and 5th Ave	St. Francis Hospital	Seagate P&R	Sale Haven for Youth	ARRIVE Southbridge Crossings P&R	DEPART Southbridge Crossings P&R	Sale Haven for Youth	Dakotah Parkway	Cedar Grove Transit Station	I-35W & Lake St	7th St and 5th Ave	12th St and Hennepin Ave	11th St and 2nd Ave	7th St and 2nd Ave	Washington and 2nd Ave	Gateway Ramp
<b>Regular Commute</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>
490								5:53						6:19	6:23	6:25	6:28	6:30
490	5:54					6:05	6:15	6:17						6:42	6:46	6:48	6:51	6:53
498 Shuttle**		5:47	5:57	6:07	6:15		6:27											
490						6:18	6:28	6:30*						7:00	7:05	7:07	7:10	7:12
490								6:48						7:19	7:24	7:26	7:29	7:31
490								7:00						7:36	7:41	7:43	7:46	7:48
490						6:58	7:09	7:11						7:48	7:53	7:55	7:58	8:00
490	7:02						7:18	7:22						7:58	8:03	8:05	8:08	8:10
498 Shuttle**		6:52	7:02	7:12	7:20		7:32											
490						7:23	7:33	7:36*						8:15	8:20	8:22	8:25	8:27
490								7:50						8:24	8:29	8:31	8:34	8:36
490								8:10						8:43	8:48	8:50	8:53	8:55
<b>REVERSE Commute</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>
491A	11:33						11:47	11:48			12:09	12:24†	12:28					12:31
498 Shuttle**		3:06	3:16	3:26	3:34		3:46											
491A	3:37						3:51	3:52*			4:13	4:35†	4:40					4:43
492							4:00	4:00	4:09	4:18	4:53	5:15†	5:20					5:23
492							4:53	4:53	5:04	5:13	5:48	6:06†	6:10					6:13
492							5:56	5:56	6:05	6:15	6:50	7:08†	7:12					7:15

† Passengers wishing to depart the northbound bus at I-35 & Lake St should notify the driver when boarding the bus; no boarding at this stop.

**SOUTHBOUND from Downtown Minneapolis**

	Gateway Ramp	Marquette and 4th St	Marquette and 8th St	11th and Harmon Place	7th St and 4th Ave	I-35W & Lake St	Cedar Grove Transit Station	ARRIVE Southbridge Crossings P&R	DEPART Southbridge Crossings P&R	Wal-Mart	Sale Haven for Youth	Seagate P&R	St. Francis Hospital	Holmes and 5th Ave	Town Square Mall	Dakotah Parkway
<b>REVERSE Commute</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>AM</b>
491A	5:49				5:51	5:55	6:12			6:31						6:48
491	7:00				7:02	7:06				7:35*						
498 Shuttle***									7:35			7:47	7:55	8:05	8:15	
491	7:25				7:27	7:31			8:00							
491A	8:19				8:21	8:25	8:42			9:01						9:18
<b>Regular Commute</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>PM</b>
490	12:45	12:51	12:53	12:56				1:27	1:29		1:38					1:43
490	3:10	3:17	3:19	3:23				3:58*	4:00		4:09					4:18
498 Shuttle***								3:58			4:10	4:18	4:28	4:38		
490	3:35	3:42	3:44	3:48				4:26	4:28		4:37					
490	3:58	4:06	4:08	4:12				4:51*	4:53		5:04					5:13
498 Shuttle***								4:51			5:03	5:11	5:21	5:31		
490	4:11	4:19	4:21	4:25				5:04	5:06		5:15					
490	4:24	4:32	4:34	4:38				5:17	5:19		5:28					
490	4:38	4:46	4:48	4:53				5:34	5:36		5:45					
490	4:55	5:03	5:05	5:10				5:54	5:56		6:05					6:15
490	5:10	5:18	5:20	5:25				6:08	6:10		6:19					
490	5:39	5:46	5:48	5:51				6:24	6:26		6:35					
490	6:20	6:27	6:29	6:32				7:02	7:04		7:13					

In-bound buses downtown will stop on 2nd Ave. only at bus stops marked F (approximately every other block). In the afternoon, outgoing buses will pick up on Marquette Ave. only at stops labeled A (approximately every other block). To ensure passenger safety, no bus will open its door outside of these designated "Bus Stop Zones."

Buses are not allowed to wait at stops on Marquette if they are running ahead of schedule. Plan to arrive early.

\* Indicates timepoints where connections can be made to or from Route 498 Shuttle buses.

\*\* Arriving shuttles, please board the next available 490 bus.

\*\*\* Departing shuttles, the shuttles are designed to connect with specific 490 arriving buses, and will depart when those connections are made, to reduce congestion at Southbridge. To connect with a shuttle, please select a 490 run marked with \* in the Southbridge column.

Connections to/from the U of M East and West Banks are available from a one block radius of the Gateway Ramp on bus routes 3, 16, 50, 144, 465, 475, 698, and 789. Additional connections on 7 and 22 buses, serve the West Bank only. Go to www.metrotransit.org/TripPlanner to quickly identify the best connection at your time of day, or call 612-373-3333.

**CONNECTIONS at Cedar Grove with 491/492 Service to Dakotah Parkway**

FROM	MVTA 437		MVTA 440		MVTA 438	MVTA 442		MVTA 444		MVTA 445		Connect TO Dakotah Pkwy
	East	West	North	South	North	North	South	North	South	East	West	
	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	
Dakotah Pkwy	8:15	7:41				8:26	8:34	8:16	8:15		7:42	AM 6:12 491A 8:42 491A
491A	12:09		12:20	12:50		12:26	1:04	12:16	12:15			
491A	4:13		4:41	4:50		4:26	4:34	4:16	4:15	4:20		
492	4:53	5:17	6:11	6:20		4:56	5:04	5:16	5:15	5:20		
492	5:48		6:11	6:20		5:56	6:04	6:16	6:15	5:50	6:42	
492	6:50					7:26	7:04	7:16	7:15	7:20	7:42	

MVTA schedules are available at www.mvta.com. Enter destination, day, and time to use the interactive Trip Planner. Call 952-882-7500 with questions.

