



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 between Shakopee/Prior Lake and Downtown Minneapolis. Limited reverse commute and mid-day trips also run between Downtown Minneapolis and Southbridge Crossings, Eagle Creek, Dakota Parkway, and Prior Lake.

- FREE PARK & RIDES**
  - Southbridge Crossings Transit Station (Cty. Rd. 18 & Crossings Boulevard)
  - Eagle Creek Blvd. & Cty. Rd. 21
  - Seagate Technologies (Cty. Rd. 83 & Hwy. 169). Serves Shuttle buses only.
  - Cedar Grove Transit Station (MVTA), near Cedar Ave. & Diffley Rd. on Nicols Rd.

FARES	
<i>490 BlueXpress, 491 and 492 One-Way Fares</i> <small>(same as regional transit fares)</small>	
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¢
<small>(off-peak hours only)</small>	
Persons with Disabilities .....	75¢
<small>(riders must be qualified)</small>	
<i>498 Shuttle</i> .....	FREE

- HOW TO PAY THE FARE**
  - Shakopee and Prior Lake buses accept all regional passes including Stored Value Cards, U-Passes, College Passes, Go-To Cards, and Metropasses or pay exact cash.
  - Please pay your morning fare as you board Express Route 490 buses and pay your evening fare as you exit.

- On the Reverse Commute 491/492 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, Cedar Grove, 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, Eagle Creek, Prior Lake, 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

	Cty Rd 21 & Main Ave, Prior Lake (No P&R Spaces Available)	Dakotah Parkway (Not a P&R)	Town Square Mall	Holmes and 5th Ave	St. Francis Hospital	Seagate P&R	Eagle Creek P&R	ARRIVE Southbridge Crossings P&R	DEPART Southbridge Crossings P&R	Eagle Creek P&R	Dakotah Parkway (Not a P&R)	Cty Rd 21 & Main Ave, Prior Lake (No P&R Spaces Available)	Cedar Grove Transit Station	I-35W & Lake St (No Boarding)	7th Stand 5th Ave	12th St and Hennepin Ave	11th St and 2nd Ave	7th Stand 2nd Ave	Washington and 2nd Ave	Gateway Ramp
Regular Commute	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM
490	5:37	—	—	—	—	—	—	5:47	5:53	—	—	—	—	—	—	6:19	6:23	6:25	6:28	6:30
490	5:44	5:53	—	—	—	—	6:07	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	6:07	—	—	—	—	—	6:20	6:28	6:30*	—	—	—	—	—	—	7:00	7:05	7:07	7:10	7:12
490	6:25	—	—	—	—	—	6:38	6:46	6:48	—	—	—	—	—	—	7:19	7:24	7:26	7:29	7:31
490	6:37	—	—	—	—	—	6:50	6:58	7:00	—	—	—	—	—	—	7:36	7:41	7:43	7:46	7:48
490	6:48	—	—	—	—	—	7:01	7:09	7:11	—	—	—	—	—	—	7:48	7:53	7:55	7:58	8:00
490		6:57	—	—	—	—	7:12	7:20	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	7:13	—	—	—	—	—	7:26	7:34	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
REVERSE Commute	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
491A	11:22	11:32	—	—	—	—	—	11:48	11:49	—	—	—	12:13	12:28†	12:32	—	—	—	—	12:35
	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM											
498 Shuttle**			3:06	3:16	3:26	3:34	—	3:46												
491A		3:40	—	—	—	—	—	3:56	3:57*	—	—	—	4:24	4:44†	4:49	—	—	—	—	4:52
492									3:56	4:02	4:14	4:22	4:51	5:13†	5:18	—	—	—	—	5:21
492									4:52	4:59	5:13	5:20	5:48	6:06†	6:10	—	—	—	—	6:13
492									6:10	6:17	6:29	6:37	7:04	7:22†	7:26	—	—	—	—	7:29

† 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	Eagle Creek P&R	Seagate P&R	St. Francis Hospital	Holmes and 5th Ave	Town Square Mall	Dakotah Parkway (Not a P&R)	Cty Rd 21 & Main Ave, Prior Lake (No P&R Spaces Available)
REVERSE Commute	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM
491A	5:48	—	—	—	5:50	5:54	6:10	—	—	6:31	6:37	—	—	—	—	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	8:21	—	—	—	8:23	8:27	8:44	—	—	9:07	9:13	—	—	—	—	9:24	
Regular Commute	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
490	12:45	12:51	12:53	12:56	—	—	—	1:27	1:29	—	1:35	—	—	—	—	1:45	1:52
490	3:10	3:17	3:19	3:23	—	—	—	3:54*	3:56	—	4:02	—	—	—	—	4:14	4:22
498 Shuttle***									3:58	—	—	4:10	4:18	4:28	4:38		
490	3:35	3:42	3:44	3:48	—	—	—	4:21	4:23	—	4:29	—	—	—	—	—	4:37
490	3:58	4:06	4:08	4:12	—	—	—	4:50*	4:52	—	4:59	—	—	—	—	5:13	5:20
498 Shuttle***									4:51	—	—	5:03	5:11	5:21	5:31		
490	4:06	4:14	4:16	4:20	—	—	—	4:59	5:01	—	5:08	—	—	—	—	—	5:16
490	4:24	4:32	4:34	4:38	—	—	—	5:14	5:16	—	5:23	—	—	—	—	—	5:31
490	4:38	4:46	4:48	4:53	—	—	—	5:39	5:41	—	5:48	—	—	—	—	—	5:56
490	4:55	5:03	5:05	5:10	—	—	—	5:56	5:58	—	6:05	—	—	—	—	—	6:13
490	5:10	5:18	5:20	5:25	—	—	—	6:08	6:10	—	6:17	—	—	—	—	6:29	6:37
490	5:39	5:46	5:48	5:51	—	—	—	6:23	6:25	—	6:32	—	—	—	—	—	6:40
490	6:20	6:27	6:31	6:32	—	—	—	7:08	7:10	—	7:16	—	—	—	—	—	7:24

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.
- 498 Shuttle** scheduled times must be fluid to adjust to unforeseen circumstances affecting any of the routes. Every connection cannot be guaranteed.
- \*\* **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](http://www.metrotransit.org/TripPlanner) to quickly identify the best connection at your time of day, or call 612-373-3333.

**CONNECTIONS from MVTA routes at Cedar Grove can be made with Shakopee route 491/492 service to/from Dakotah Pkwy.**  
 MVTA schedules are available at [www.mvta.com](http://www.mvta.com). Enter destination, day, and time to use the interactive Trip Planner. Call 952-882-7500 with questions.

