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# NORTHEAST COMMUTER RAIL

Miami-Dade's Coastal Link Rail Corridor Segment

## **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Northeast Commuter Rail is the first segment of the 85-mile Coastal Link corridor connecting Miami-Dade with Broward and Palm Beach counties. The purpose of the Northeast Corridor Project is to establish a new commuter rail route with five new stations between Downtown Miami and the City of Aventura. Service will run every 30-minutes during peak times and 60minutes off-peak and on weekends.

The Northeast Corridor is part of the County's Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Program, advancing the implantation and expansion of the rapid transit corridors of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) in Miami-Dade County.

## **PROJECT MILESTONES**

- Sept. 2022 Start of Project Development phase
  Nov. 2023 NEPA / Categorical Exclusion approved by FTA
  March 2024 Project identified in President's FY2025 Budget / Start of Engineering Design phase
  Oct. 2024 – Completion of Project Development phase / Request to Enter Engineering approved by FTA
  2024 - 2026 – Engineering Design phase
  Mid 2027 – Approval of FTA's Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) / Start of Construction
  2027 - 2031 – Construction phase/ Rolling stock delivery
- Early 2032 Estimated start of commuter rail service

#### **PROJECT INVESTMENT**

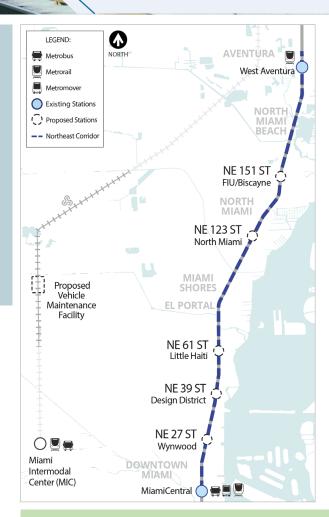
The total project investment is \$927.32 million. Funding is provided by People's Transportation Plan bond program, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

Total Investment: \$927.3M (\$2032)

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- FTA New Starts Request: 49% (\$454.3M)
  - County Commitment: 28.5% (\$273M)
- State Commitments: 21.5% (\$200M)



#### **PROJECT BENEFITS**

- New convenient rapid transit service option for over 100,000 residents.
- Reduces auto travel by nearly 8,000 trips per weekday, easing traffic congestion.
- Offers more reliable travel times, especially during peak traffic hours, compared to driving.
- Increases access to economic opportunity to over 65,000 low-income residents.
- Links the cities of Aventura, North Miami Beach, Miami Shores, and El Portal, plus Wynwood, Design District, and Little Haiti to Downtown Miami.

