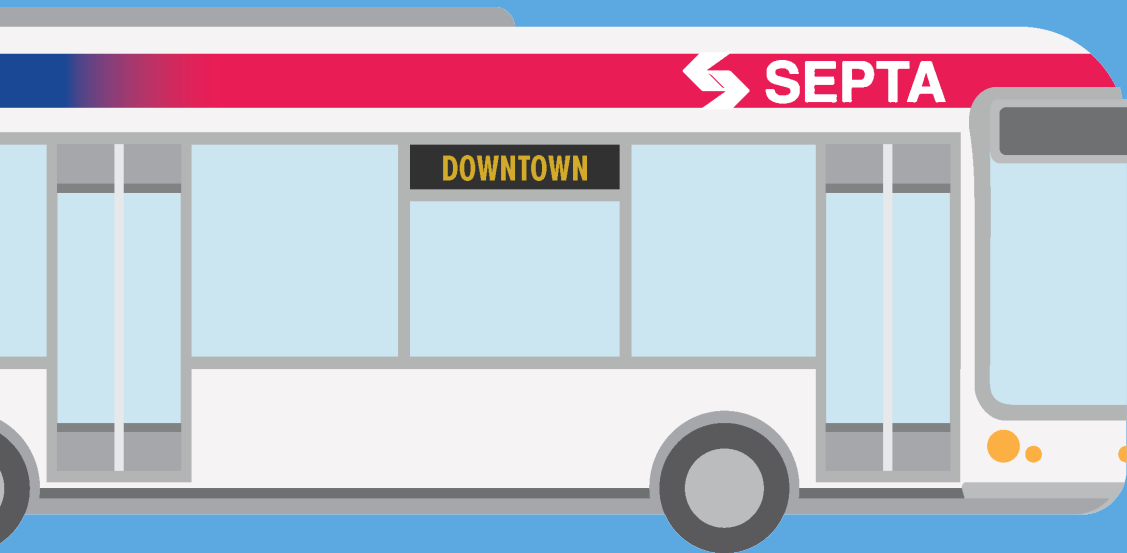
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# Spring 2024 Update For the Disabilities Community

April 4, 2024

# Agenda

- 1. Project Context**
- 2. Current Network**
- 3. Proposed Changes (with some alternatives)**
- 4. Q&A/Discussion**

# Why Now?

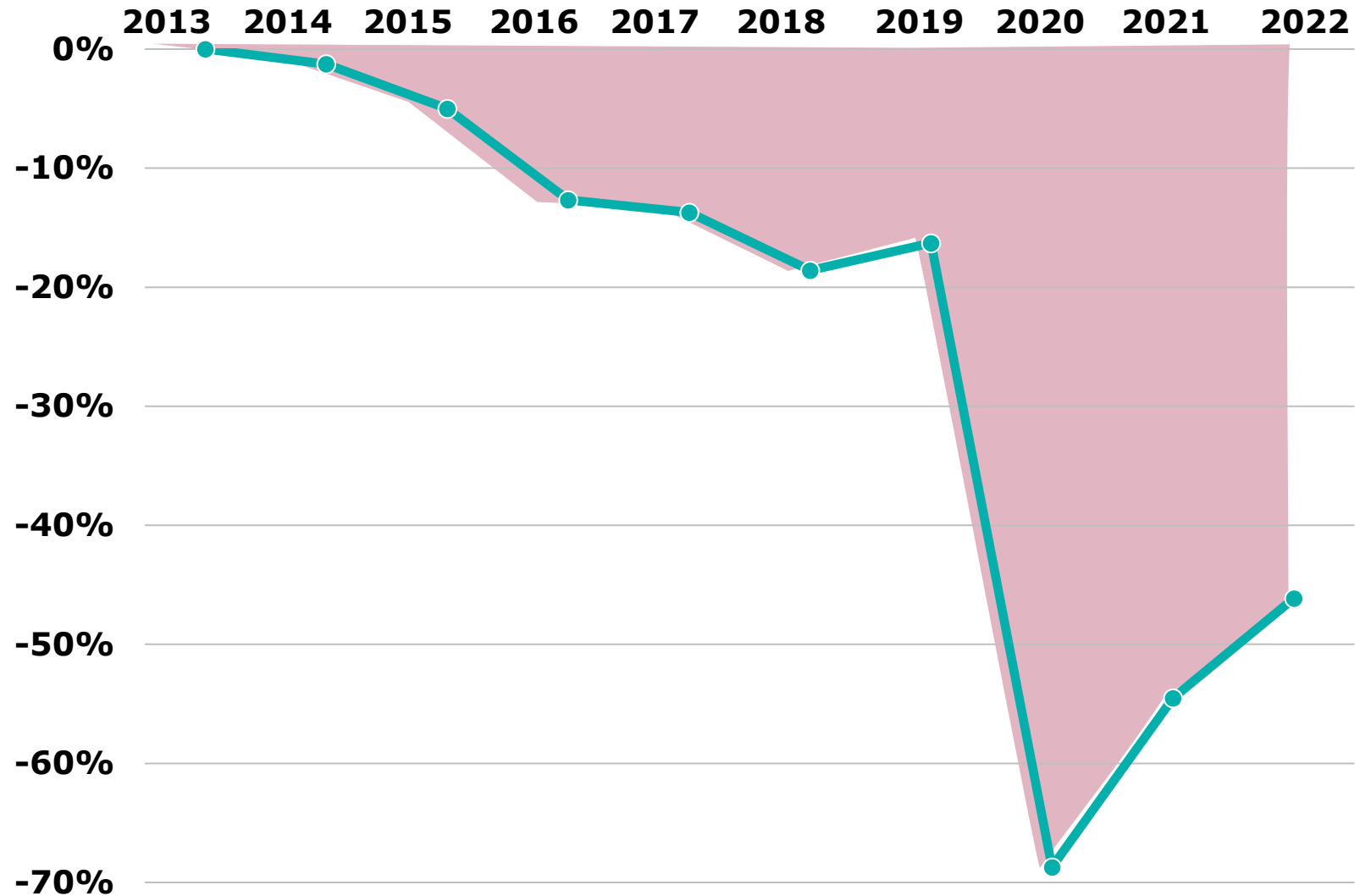
Ridership dropped nearly 20% between 2013 & 2019.

At the same time, operating costs increased by 10% while service got slower and less reliable for our customers.

The pandemic exacerbated this issue by completely changing travel patterns.

While ridership is returning, it is still 20% to 30% below 2019 levels.

## SEPTA Bus Ridership



# Riders, staff and the data told us....

## **Bus service should be more reliable**

- Travel should be **predictable with fewer delays and detours**

## **Routes need to be easier to understand**

- Buses should **travel more directly** between destinations
- There should be **fewer service patterns** and deviations

## **Service needs to be matched with when and where people want to go**

- Buses need to **go where people live** and where they want to go
- Buses should be **available when people want to travel**

## **Overall, buses should be better organized**

- Operate the most **frequent service on highest ridership corridors**
- **Improve connections** to other SEPTA services

# SEPTA's Draft Bus Network: Strategic Approach

- **More frequent, convenient bus service, 6am to 9pm, every weekday**
- **More direct bus routes with consistent schedules**
- **Better connections** to other SEPTA services
- **With the same budget** - Better service with same amount of money

# The proposed network will improve access to frequent transit service for many people across the Philadelphia region.

**30%  
MORE  
Frequent  
Routes**

The number of frequent routes increases from 33 in today's network to **43 in the proposed network.**

***Frequent routes have buses that come every 15 minutes or better 6am and 9pm, five days a week.***

**+18%  
RIDERS  
Within 5 Min  
Walk of  
Frequent  
Transit**

**211,000 more people** have walking access to frequent routes.

**>99% of  
RIDERS  
Maintain  
Access**

More than 99% of riders within a 5-minute walk of a bus route today will still be **within a 5-minute walk.**

# Questions from the Community

# **Additional Q&A**



# Next Steps

## **Spring 2024**


- Additional public meetings
- Network revisions based on public feedback
- Update materials on project website
- Develop a phasing plan
- Board consideration

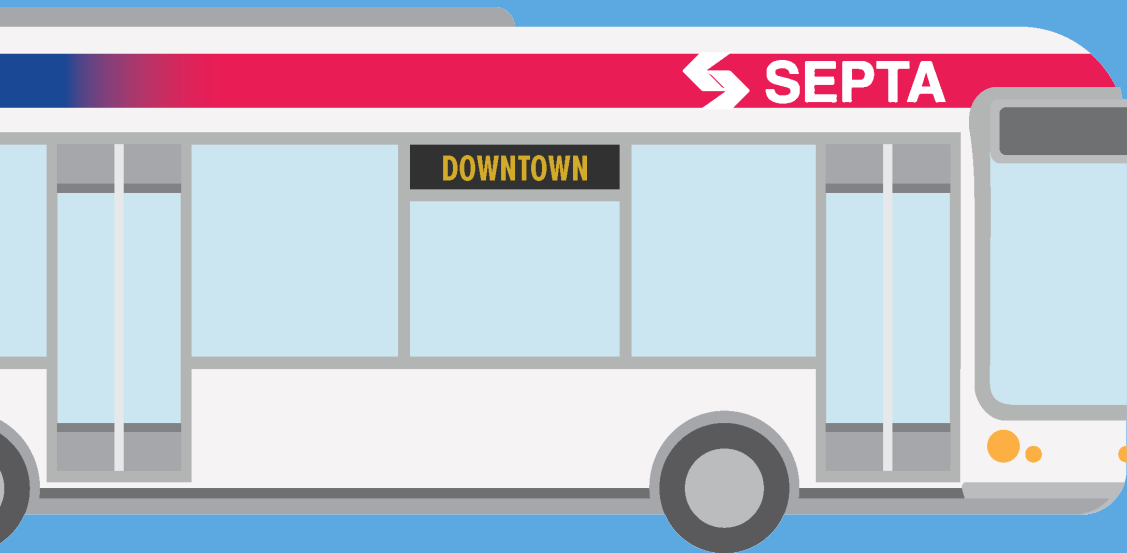
## **Summer/Fall 2024**

- Implementation coordination and communication begins

## **Summer/Fall 2025**

- Implementation of first route changes

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**Thank you!**

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