

Maple Grove Transit to provide direct bus service to the U of M

Effective Tuesday September 8, Maple Grove Transit will begin to offer weekday express bus service directly to the University of Minnesota (U of M) campus. The service will be known as the Route 789 and serve the Minneapolis campus along Washington Avenue. Two inbound trips to the U of M from the Maple Grove Transit Station will be operated in the morning and two outbound trips will be provided in the afternoon. The Route 789 bus stop locations and times are listed in the table below:

Inbound to the U of M	MG Transit Station	Anderson Hall	Coffman Union	Wash. & Oak
Trip 1	7:07 a.m.	7:38 a.m.	7:40a.m.	7:43 a.m.
Trip 2	8:07 a.m.	8:38 a.m.	8:40 a.m.	8:43 a.m.
Outbound from the U of M	Wash. & Oak	Northrup Mall	Willey Hall	MG Transit Station
Trip 1	4:40 p.m.	4:43 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	5:17 p.m.
Trip 2	5:40 p.m.	5:43 p.m.	5:45 p.m.	6:16 p.m.

Once leaving the Maple Grove Transit Station, Route 789 buses will travel eastbound I-94 to Minneapolis and exit to 4th Street. However, the Route 789 will not stop in downtown Minneapolis until Anderson Hall on Washington Avenue. Likewise for the return trips to Maple Grove, the Route 789 buses will not stop along 3rd Street in downtown Minneapolis.

Maple Grove Transit conducted two on-line surveys with U of M students and staff that had a U of M e-mail account and lived in the 55369 or 55311 ZIP codes. The surveys helped determine the need for the service and helped shape bus service plan. Users of the Route 789 also have the option of using the Maple Grove Transit Route 781 along with transfers to and from the Metro Transit routes that serve the U of M to have the flexibility of more trip options including midday service.

If you have any question regarding this service, please contact Mike Opatz, Transit Administrator at 763-494-6005 or transit@ci.maple-grove.mn.us