

## Saves Time!

The King of Prussia Rail Project will provide increased transit service from established communities along the existing Norristown High Speed Line to King of Prussia and Valley Forge area activity centers. This increase in transit service is intended to better serve existing rail and bus transit riders, and benefit the mobility needs of the community and the region.

### Reduces congestion

- Less-congested routes as a result of the introduction of a rail transit option to King of Prussia will save drivers time
- Estimated time savings for drivers is 1.7 million-2.1 million hours per year
- Expected to reduce vehicle miles traveled by 14.6 million-18.4 million miles per year

### Reduces travel time

- 10 minutes → average time savings from Upper Darby to KOP Mall
- 15 minutes → average time savings from Upper Darby to KOP Business Center
- 25 minutes → average time savings from Center City and Norristown to KOP Mall and KOP Business Park
- 40 minutes → average time savings from Center City to KOP Business Park



## King of Prussia Rail Project

An Extension of the Norristown High Speed Line



### Did You Know?

Public transit improvements and more transit-oriented development can provide large but often overlooked public health benefits. High-quality public transportation (convenient, comfortable, fast rail and bus transportation) and transit oriented development (walkable, mixed use communities located around transit stations) tend to affect travel activity in ways that provide large health benefits, including:

- Reduced vehicular crashes
- Reduction in auto emissions
- Increased physical fitness opportunities
- Improved mental health
- Improved access to medical care and healthy (fresh/local) foods because of affordable transportation options



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**The King of Prussia Rail Project:**  
Increases *access* to the region's  
largest employment center outside  
of Philadelphia, making the area  
*more appealing* to both employers  
and employees.

**Increases access for residents**

- 4,200 residents live within a ½-mile (about a 10 minute walk) of the proposed stations
- 18,800 residents live within a mile of the proposed stations
- Park and ride facilities will be provided for residents and commuters to utilize

**Increases office, residential, and retail space development and redevelopment driven by new businesses**

- 4.3 million-8.0 million square feet of new development valued at \$540 million-\$969 million over twenty years
- 19.5 million-21.4 million square feet of existing space valued at \$1.1 billion-\$1.3 billion

**Business development provides a stable taxbase for residents**

- New business property tax revenue is estimated to generate between \$600,000 and \$1.1 million per year
- By year 2040, new annual business property tax revenues would total \$12.8 million-\$22.4 million annually



**Provides more  
*reliable* service.**

**On-time performance**

- The Norristown High Speed Line scheduled departures maintain a 99% on-time departure rate, compared to the current King of Prussia bus service which maintains a 65% on-time departure rate.

**Safety and environmental  
*benefits.***

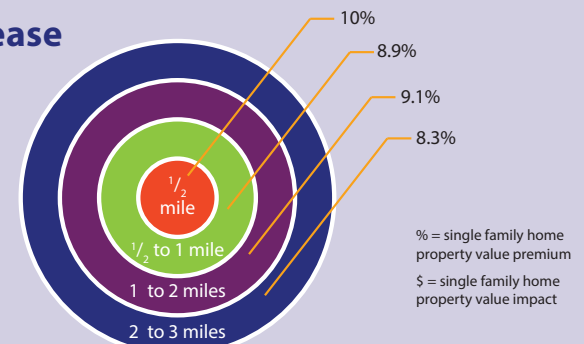
**Benefits resulting from a reduction of automobile travel**

- Overall reduction of 5,200-5,800 tons of vehicle emissions
- Potential annual savings on fuel (\$2.6 million-\$3.2 million), car maintenance (\$900,000-\$1.1 million), and road and pavement maintenance (\$350,000-\$430,000) potentially
- A potential reduction in average annual deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular crashes due to a decrease in the use of personal vehicles



**Property value premiums generally increase  
the closer the property is to a station.**

Pennsylvania property values showed an increased in Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties in single-family homes located near a SEPTA regional rail station. Other property value increase factors include parking availability at the stations and rail line service level.



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**Boost *mobility* and increase  
*connectivity* in the area and  
region.**

**Additional accessibility and walkability**

- All stations are required to be fully compliant with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA)
- As part of required station area planning, increased walkability in many areas of Upper Merion Township will be implemented
- The proposed station at 1st Avenue will complement the future road diet design and linear park improvements

**Trail and recreation connections**

- Extension will provide easy to connections to area trails, parks and recreation areas, including Valley Forge National Historical Park, The Schuylkill River Trail and the Chester Valley Trail