



YORK REGION TRANSIT'S 2025 TRANSIT INITIATIVES TOWN OF AURORA

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Presented to
Town of Aurora Council

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Agenda

- Overview of the annual plan process
- 2024 service improvements
- Stakeholder and public consultations
- 2025 Transit Initiatives
- 2025 projects and programs
- Ridership trends
- Next steps

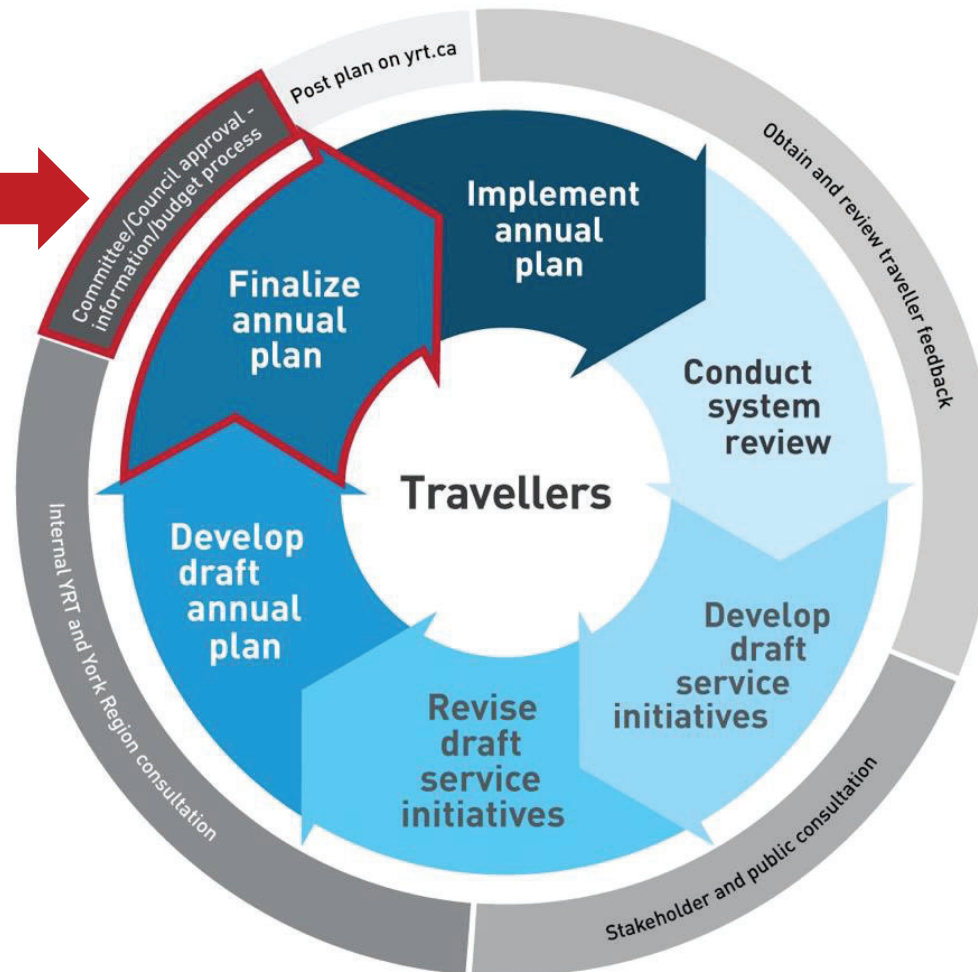


Annual Transit Initiatives Process

We are here

**Finalize
annual plan**

**Committee/
Council
approval –
information/
budget process**



2024 Service Improvements in Town of Aurora

Route

Service Change

33 – Wellington-Leslie

Extended service along Leslie Street, through Addison Hall Business Park, to Highway 404/Davis Drive



Stakeholder and Public Consultation

Consultation	Date (2024)	Location
Town Staff	March 21	Municipal Office
YRDSB and YCDSB	April 19	York Region Office
Neighbouring Transit Agencies	April 29	York Region Office
Virtual Public and Business Engagement	May 5 to June 8	yrt.ca/TransitPlan or YRT Contact Centre
Accessibility Advisory Committee (YRAAC)	May 5 to June 8	yrt.ca/TransitPlan or YRT Contact Centre
Public Outreach Event #1	May 11	Aurora Public Library (Front Lobby)
Public Outreach Event #2	June 2	Aurora Street Festival
Route Survey	June 5 to 28	Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School

Feedback Received

- Request for improved connections on Route 33 – Wellington-Leslie with GO trains at Aurora GO station
- Request for a bus route along Bathurst Street north of Bloomington Road
- Request for a bus route in the Aurora Heights area, particularly for students

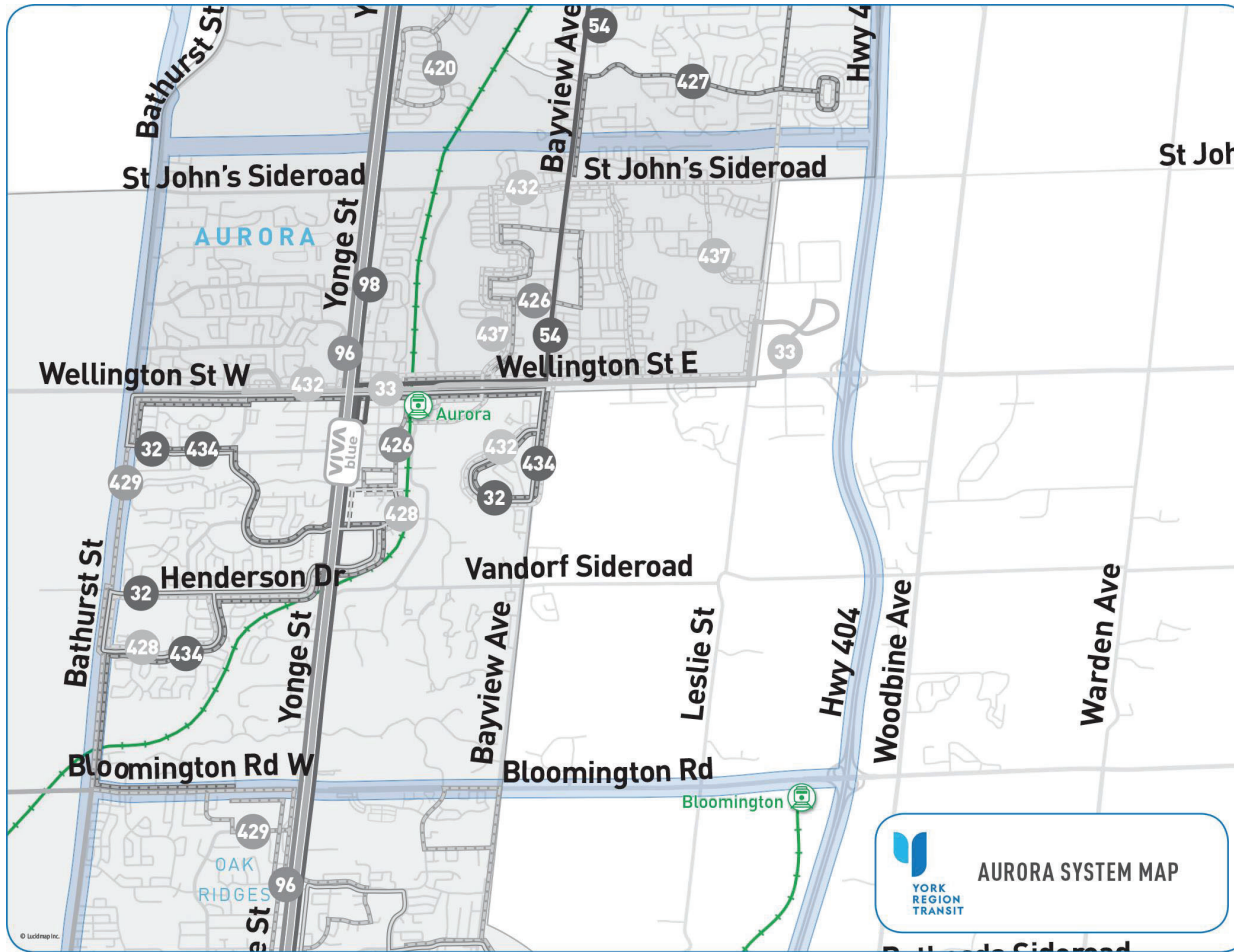
Future improvements will include increased frequency on Route 33 – Wellington-Leslie, which will provide additional trip options to connect with GO trains at Aurora GO station.

2025 Transit Initiatives in Town of Aurora



Routes/Service	Proposed Service Change
33 – Wellington-Leslie	Improve weekday frequency all day
96 – Keele-Yonge*	Introduce Sunday service and expand Saturday service
426 – Dr G.W. Williams SS via Stone	Restructure School Special route due to relocation of school
428 – Dr G.W. Williams SS via Henderson	Restructure School Special route due to relocation of school
429 – Cardinal Carter SS via Bayview	Restructure School Special route
431 – Aurora SS via Henderson	New School Special route
432 – Aurora SS via Mavrillac	Restructure School Special route
434 – Cardinal Carter SS via Wellington	Restructure School Special route
437 – St. Maximilian Kolbe SS	Restructure School Special route
On-Request North-Central*	Introduced Sunday on-demand service in Aurora Expanded service in Addison Hall Business Park

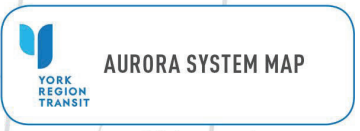
* **Note:** Implemented in 2024 with revised On-Request Newmarket-Aurora-Oak Ridges in response to ridership increases and the need for additional service before 2025.

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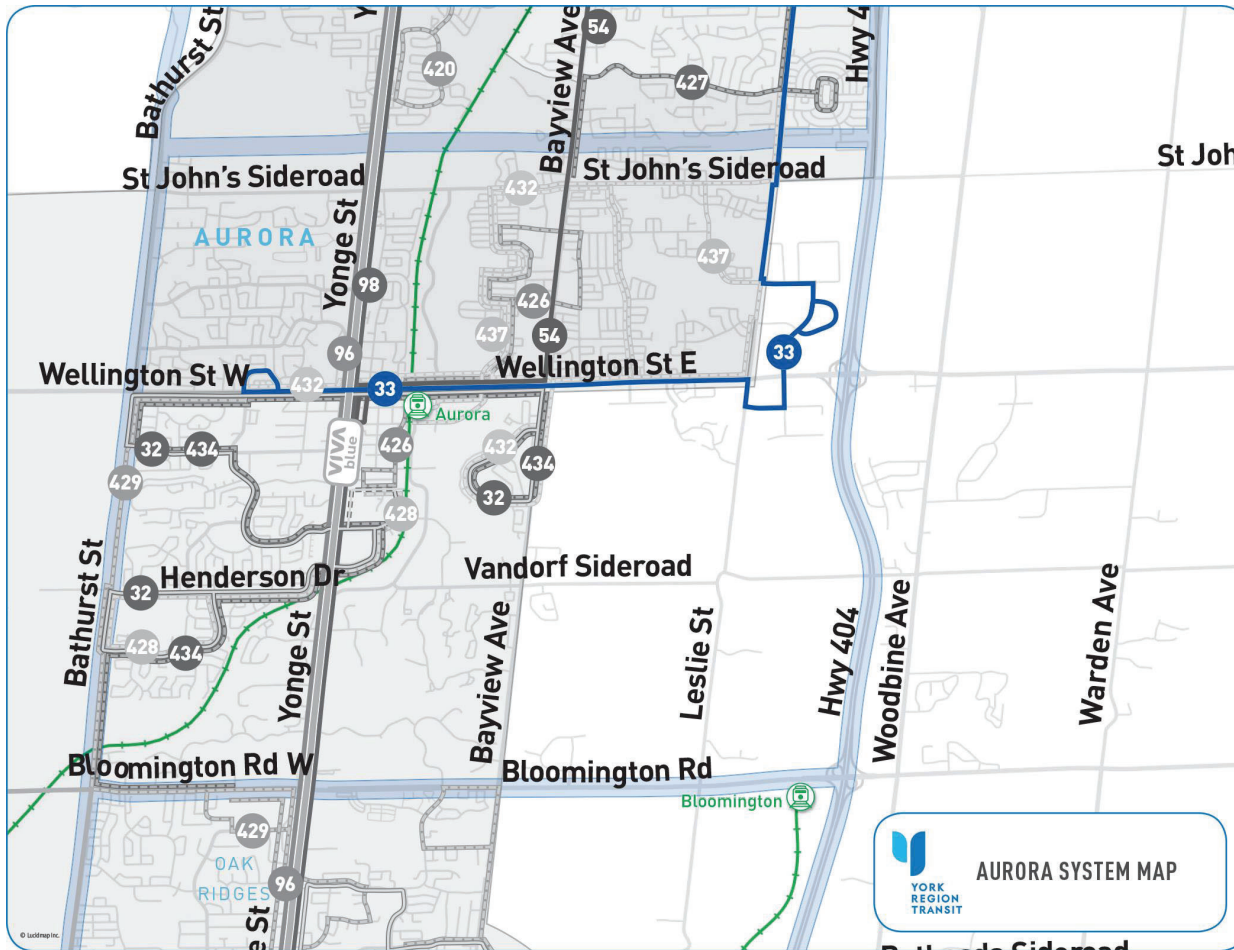
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-  Municipal Boundary



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YRT services in Town of Aurora



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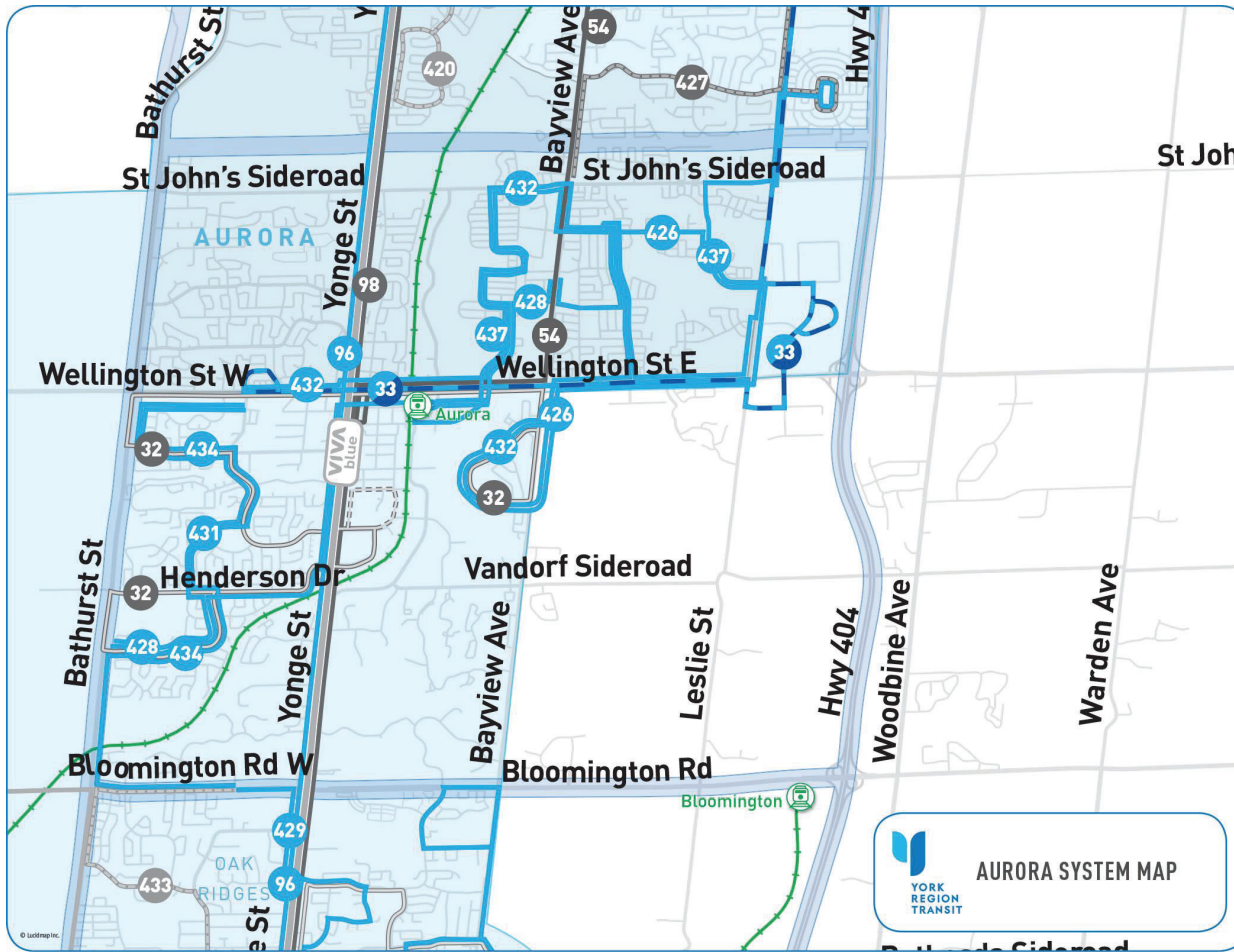
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2025 Projects and Programs



Planning for the future



Fare and service integration



Technology and innovation

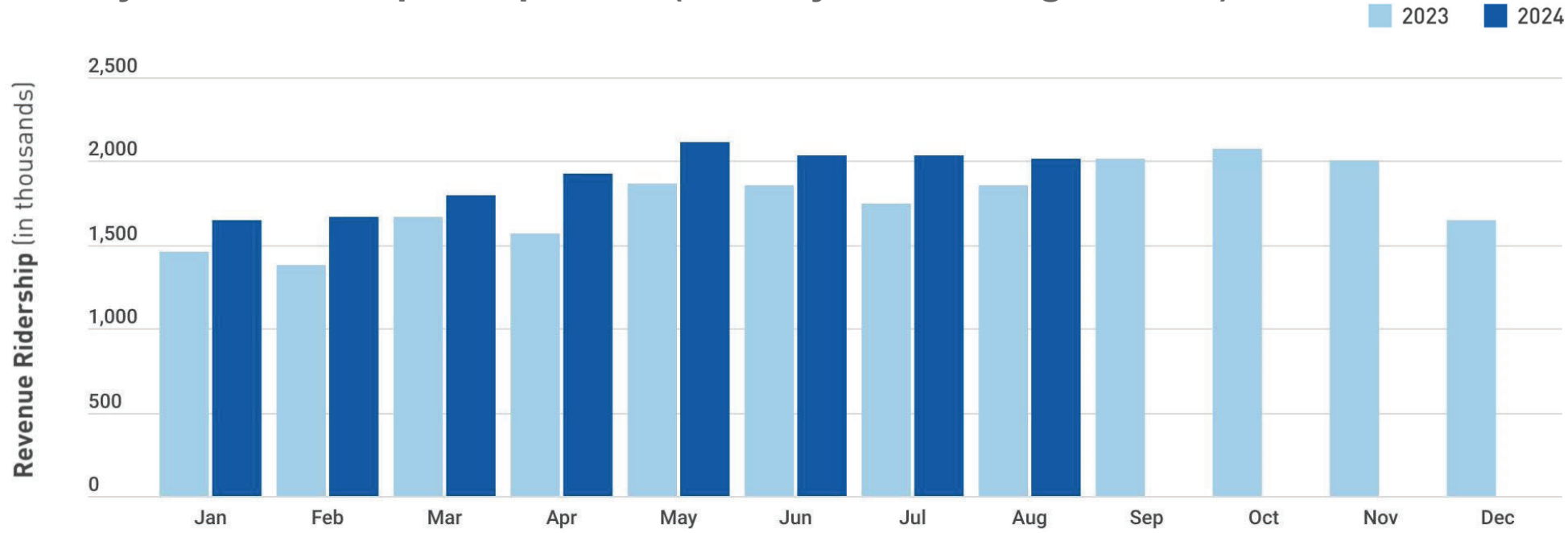


Customer service



System Ridership Trends

YRT System Ridership Comparison (January 2023 to August 2024)



Ridership in Town of Aurora increased approximately 13% compared to 2023.

Next Steps

- Seek York Regional Council approval of the 2025 Transit Initiatives through the operating and capital budget approval process
- Communicate 2025 Transit Initiatives to customers and residents
- Begin 2026 Transit Initiatives annual plan process



Thank You

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