# ORANGE LINE TRAINS

Fall 1995

YOUR EASY WAY TO MIDWAY & DOWNTOWN

Midway

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Welcome to the Orange Line! The CTA's newest rail line provides fast, frequent, convenient service between Midway Airport, the southwest side of the city, and downtown (the "Loop").

# Quick Ride Guide

All attractions are within two blocks of the station shown, unless noted by \*

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Destination:	Leave train at:	
Adler Planetarium*	State/Lake; bus 146 south on State	
Art Institute	Adams/Wabash	
Chicago Board of Trade	LaSalle/Van Buren	
Chicago Children's Museum*	State/Lake; bus 29 north on State	
Chicago Historical Society*	State/Lake; bus 22 or 36 north on Dearborn	
City Hall/County Building	Washington/Wells	
Columbia College*	Roosevelt; any bus north on Michigan	
Cultural Center	Randolph/Wabash	
Daley Center	Washington/Wells	
DePaul University (downtown)	Adams/Wabash	
Federal Buildings	LaSalle/Van Buren	
Field Museum of Natural History*	Roosevelt; walk four blocks east	
Harold Washington Library	LaSalle/Van Buren	
John Hancock Observatory*	Randolph/Wabash; bus 151 north on Michigan	
LaSalle St. Station (Metra)	LaSalle/Van Buren	
Lincoln Park Zoo*	Randolph/Wabash; bus 151 north on Michigan	
McCormick Place*	Roosevelt; buses 3 or 4 south on Michigan	
Merchandise Mart/Apparel Center	Clark/Lake; Brown Line to Mart	
Navy Pier/North Pier/Skyline Stage*	State/Lake; bus 29 north on State	
North Michigan Avenue shopping*	Randolph/Wabash; bus 151 north on Michigan	
NorthWestern Station*	Washington/Wells; any bus west on Madison	
O'Hare Airport*	Clark/Lake; Blue Line train in subway to Airport	
Randolph St. Station (Metra)	Randolph/Wabash	
Roosevelt University*	Roosevelt; any bus north on Michigan	
Sears Tower	Quincy/Wells	
Shedd Aquarium*/Soldier Field*	Roosevelt; walk four blocks east	
State of Illinois (Thompson) Center	Clark/Lake	
State Street Mall	State/Lake or Randolph/Wabash	
Union/Amtrak Station	Quincy/Wells; buses 1, 60, 151 west on Adams	
Visitor Information Center	Randolph/Wabash	
Water Tower Place*	Randolph/Wabash; bus 151 north on Michigan	



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### Routing

Orange Line trains run between Midway Airport, the city's southwest side, and downtown Chicago.

In the downtown area, trains run clockwise on the Loop Elevated, above Van Buren, Wells, Lake, and Wabash.

#### Schedules

Trains run frequently, every 6 to 8 minutes in weekday rush hours, and every 10 to 12 minutes at most other times.

Service Hours	Weekdays and Saturdays	Sundays and Holidays
Leave Midway	5:05 a.m. to 11:20 p.m.	7:30 a.m. to 11:20 p.m.
Leave Downtown	5:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.	7:25 a.m to 11:30 p.m.

It takes only 25 to 35 minutes to ride the train between Midway and downtown.

Trains make all stops along the route, except: On Sundays and Holidays, three downtown stations are closed— LaSalle/Van Buren, Washington/Wells, and Madison/Wabash.

A timetable is available at Orange Line stations or by calling 836-7000. Schedules are subject to change.

When trains are not running, use the #62 Archer bus, which runs 24 hours between downtown and Archer/Harlem on the southwest side (board southbound along State Street downtown).

## **Station and Train Signage**

At the stations, use the platform signs that are overhead and on the columns to determine which way the trains are going.



Trains south to Midway



#### Overhead sign

Train signs do NOT show destination or direction. They only show the name "Midway" in an orange background.

At stations where you can change trains, you'll see signs such as:

#### **Change Trains Here For**

## RED LINE

## Parking

Parking is available (up to 24 hours) for \$1.50 at these stations:

- Halsted/Archer..... 27 spaces
- 35th/Archer.....69 spaces
- Western/49th.....195 spaces
- Pulaski/51st......352 spaces

Midway station has 295 spaces at \$1.75 for 12 hours, then \$1.75 per hour for the next 12 hours. There's also a weekend rate of \$5; enter after 4pm Friday and leave by 7am Monday.

Spaces are numbered; pay by putting coins or dollar bills into the numbered slot boxes near the station entrance.

# Accessiblity &



Every station on the Orange Line between Midway and Roosevelt is accessible with an elevator.

In the downtown area, the Washington/Wells and Clark/Lake station have elevators.

All trains are accessible. At one end of each train car, a seat can be folded up, so that a wheelchair or other mobility device can be secured in place.



# Security

On the train, there is a two-way communication system located near the doorway of each car, next to a large blue sign.

This allows you to communicate with the train operator immediately. Push the button to talk.



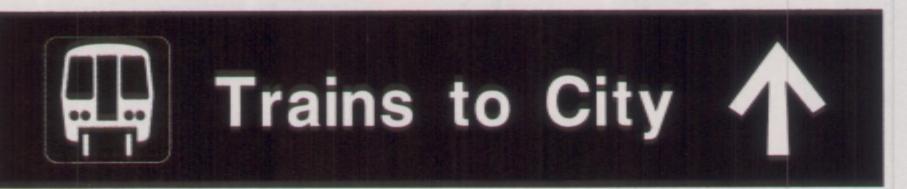
Less than 1% of all city crime occurs on CTA.

#### **Bus Connections**

You can connect to over 60 CTA and Pace (suburban) buses from the Orange Line. These bus lines serve much of Chicago and the southwest suburbs. Get a CTA Transit Map from station agents or by calling 836-7000.

# At the Airport

The station is just east of Midway, across Cicero Avenue. A skybridge with escalators, elevators, and moving sidewalks connects the station with the airport. It's about a 6 minute walk. From the airport, follow these overhead signs:



#### **Phone Numbers**

- Transit Information: 836-7000, daily from 5am to 1am (Area codes 312, 708, or 815) TTY: (312) 836-4949
- Lost and Found: (312) 581-9789, Mon-Sat 7am to 6pm
- Customer Assistance regarding CTA service and parking: (312) 664-7200, Mon-Fri 8am to 4:30pm TTY: (312) 664-2535

# PAYING YOUR FARE

The cash fare is the same at all times—\$1.50 for full fare riders and \$.75 for reduced fare riders. Reduced fare riders include children 7 through 11, and, with appropriate CTA/RTA i.d., seniors 65 and older, elementary and high school students, and riders with disabilities.

If you need to ride a bus within two hours after taking the train, buy a transfer. This costs \$.25 for full fare riders and \$.15 for reduced fare riders.

### PAYING AT DOWNTOWN (LOOP ELEVATED) STATIONS:

Pay your fare to the station agent—use coins, bills up to \$10, CTA tokens or monthly passes. Full fare riders can ALSO pay their fare into turnstiles—use ONLY the exact fare in coins or CTA tokens, or slide your magnetic monthly pass through the top of the turnstile.

#### PAYING AT SOUTHWEST SIDE STATIONS (Midway to Roosevelt Road):

These are exact fare stations. The station agent does not handle money or make change. Tokens can be purchased from vending machines (see details below). At Midway Airport station only, change machines are available (they take bills up to \$20).

**Full Fare Riders:** Put the exact fare in coins or a full fare token into any turnstile, or slide your monthly pass through the top of the turnstile. If you already have a transfer, give it to the agent.

**Reduced Fare Riders:** Must use the station agent lane. Put the exact fare in coins or a reduced fare token into the turnstile attached to the agent's booth. If you have a transfer or monthly pass, give it to the agent.

Mobility-Impaired Riders: Use the turnstile in the wheelchair access lane.

#### TOKEN VENDING MACHINES (Use \$1, \$5, or \$10 bills)

#### For full fare tokens (\$1.50 each):

Deposit \$2.....get 1 token and \$.50 change

Depost \$5.....get 3 tokens and \$.50 change

Deposit \$10.....get 6 tokens and \$1.00 change

#### For reduced fare tokens (\$.75 each):

Deposit \$1.....get 1 token and \$.25 change

Deposit \$5.....get 6 tokens and \$.50 change

Deposit \$10.....get 13 tokens and \$.25 change

Rates shown are effective August 1995 and may be subject to change.

# FREE TRAIN CONNECTIONS

#### To Connect to:

#### Leave Orange Line train at:

#### **Blue Line**

Clark/Lake; walk downstairs through the State of Illinois (Thompson) Center building to subway. Blue Line trains run at all times.

#### **Brown Line**

Clark/Lake; use overhead walkway to platform on other side. Brown Line trains leave Clark/Lake weekdays from 5:34am to 10:09pm, and Saturdays from 6:24am to 8:11pm.

At other times, Brown Line Shuttle trains only run between Belmont and Kimball stations on the north side. To connect, take Red Line trains from downtown north to Belmont.

## Purple Line

LaSalle/Van Buren; stay on the same platform. Purple Line Express trains leave LaSalle/Van Buren weekdays from 7:14am to 10:12am and also from 3:47pm to 6:20pm.

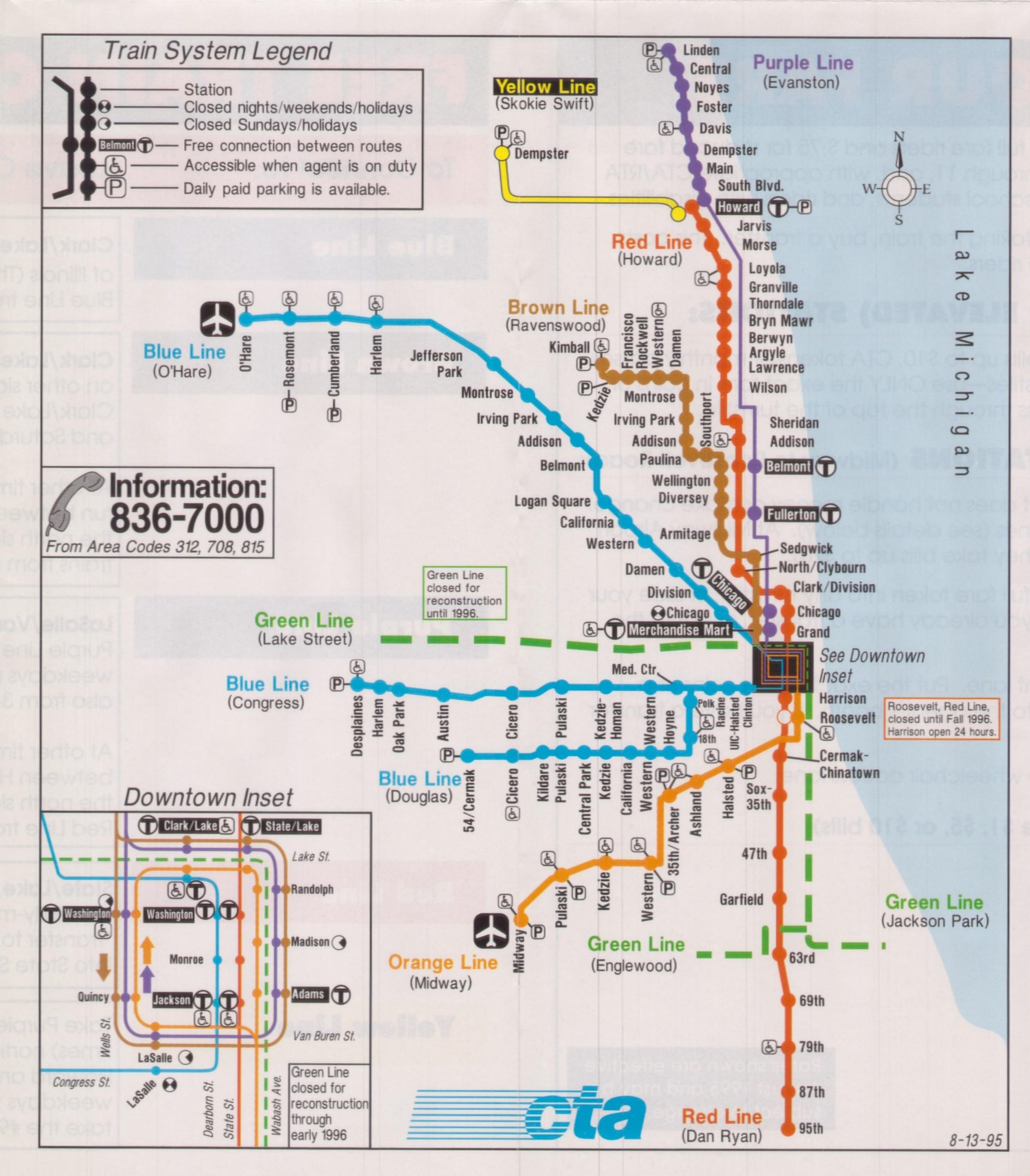
At other times, Purple Line Shuttle trains only run between Howard and Linden stations on the north side/north suburbs. To connect, take Red Line trains from downtown north to Howard.

#### **Red Line**

**State/Lake**; obtain free transfer by pushig button on specially-marked turnstiles on platform (underneath the "Transfer to Subway" overhead signs). Walk downstairs into State Street subway. Red Line trains run at all times.

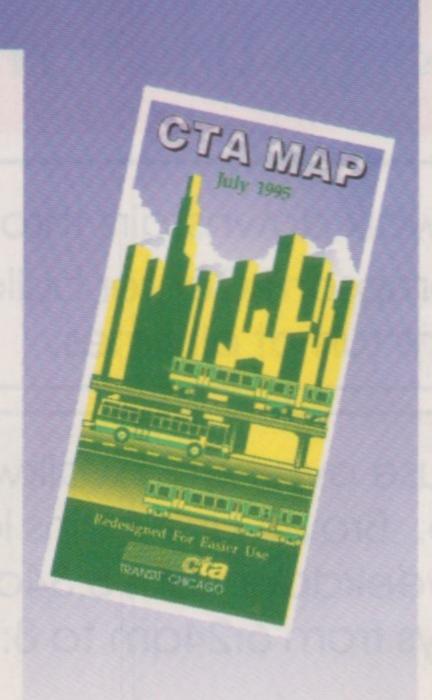
#### **Yellow Line**

Take Purple Line (weekday rush hours) or Red Line (all times) north to Howard. Yellow Line trains run between Howard and Dempster (north suburban Skokie) weekdays from about 5am to 10pm. At most other times, take the #97 bus between Howard and Dempster.



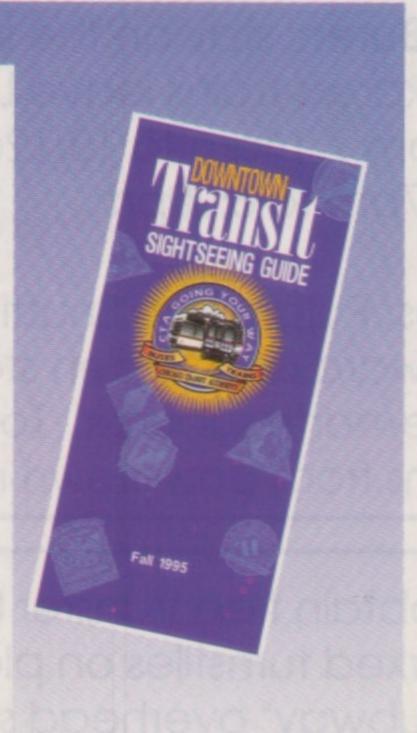
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bigger print,
and more
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# It's Just

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fun, with easy
instructions on
riding the bus
and "L"!



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