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## Ride DART Routes 51 and 91 for free in April

People can take an unlimited number of free rides on two DART routes serving the Merle Hay Road corridor today through April 30 as part of a month-long promotion:

- **Local Route 51** operates between Merle Hay Mall, destinations along Merle Hay Road, downtown Des Moines and DART Central Station. Buses operate every 30 to 60 minutes weekdays from approximately 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Express Route 91** operates along Merle Hay Road between the Johnston City Hall Park & Ride and downtown Des Moines. Buses operate every 30 minutes on weekdays from approximately 6 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



The routes on the Merle Hay Road corridor were added in 2012 and 2013 as part of the DART Forward 2035 Plan, a blueprint for expanding and improving public transit in Greater Des Moines. Routes 51 and 91 both utilize Interstate Highway 235 to speed up travel between downtown Des Moines and the Merle Hay Road corridor. The routes connect to several major destinations, including employment opportunities, retail stores, restaurants, medical facilities, school campuses and DART Central Station.

For more information about Local Route 51, Express Route 91 or other DART services, please call DART Customer Service at 515-283-8100 or visit the MyDART Trip Planner BETA at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com). DART schedule information is also available in Google Maps and Bing Maps.

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority is the public transportation provider that serves Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services that makes getting around the Greater Des Moines area easier and more convenient. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit the website at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com) or call 515-283-8100. The MyDART Trip Planner BETA is now available at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com).