

amazon in arlington

What to Know

about transportation

Arlington is prepared for growth

- Arlington has a track record of coordinating development/redevelopment with transportation improvements – Crystal City and Pentagon City, where Amazon’s headquarters will be located, have [approved plans in place to guide development](#).
 - Amazon anticipates ramping up to 25,000 employees over the next 11 years. It is estimated 400 new jobs are expected to arrive in Crystal City in 2019.
- Arlington’s focus is on [maximizing sustainable transportation options](#).
 - The Amazon headquarters area has two Metrorail lines, Virginia Railway Express service on two lines, regional/local and commuter bus service, and the region’s only dedicated transitway.
 - Arlington has the [most robust commuter services program in the region](#), and the County has been effective in working with employers and their employees to maximize the use of transit and other sustainable modes.

Existing transit services can carry many more people

- Between 2001 and 2014, Crystal City was affected by the [loss of more than 24,000 jobs](#) tied to federal agencies. Pentagon City is slated to lose an additional 3,000 jobs in 2020 when the Transportation Security Administration relocates.
- These job losses have resulted in [less traffic on our street network and lower ridership on transit](#).
 - Overall traffic on the arterial street network peaked around 2000 and has been declining year-over-year since that time, while some spots still experience congestion.
 - Metrorail ridership at the Crystal City and Pentagon City stations is down more than 25% from its peak. Almost all bus lines serving the area have experienced steep declines in ridership, with some losses approaching 30%.
- As a result, there is tremendous [capacity on existing transit services](#) to carry many more people than we do today. Amazon plans to fully fund transit benefits for employees at its Arlington headquarters.

We’re investing in the future

- Arlington and Alexandria have secured [more than \\$570 million in transportation funding](#) to make Crystal City/Pentagon City and Potomac Yard more transit rich, walkable and bikeable.
 - In Arlington, there is full funding in place to rebuild most of the arterial streets serving Crystal City and Pentagon City to [improve access for people who walk, bike, ride transit and drive](#).
- As part of the Amazon incentive package, the [Commonwealth of Virginia has committed to investing \\$195 million](#) to advance five projects that will enhance the capacity of the area’s infrastructure and improve connections between travel options for all users.
 - The projects are: Crystal City Metro Station Second Entrance, Alexandria Potomac Yard Metro Station Second Entrance, additional segments of the Crystal City Potomac Yard Transitway, a multimodal connection between Crystal City/VRE/Metro/National Airport, and changes to Route 1 in Crystal City.