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**ONE NEW YORK: WORKING FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOODS
NEW CITYWIDE COUNTDOWN CLOCKS, TRAFFIC-SIGNAL PRIORITY FOR
BUSES IN OUTER BOROUGHES, AND NEW BUS-ONLY LANES**

The Department of Transportation will be installing countdown clocks at 350 bus stops across the City. The City will also be working with the MTA to implement traffic-signal priority for buses on eight routes in Queens, Staten Island, the Bronx, and Brooklyn, and it will be creating new bus-only lanes at congested locations throughout the system.

Details

- DOT will be adding bus arrival time clocks to 350 bus stops across the City this year, eliminating the uncertainty that comes from waiting at a bus stop and not knowing when the bus will arrive.
- These countdown clocks will be placed along select bus service routes and along high-traffic routes, serving at least 150,000-200,000 riders per day.
- The countdown clocks work by linking the GPS on buses to the clock on the bus stops' signs. Countdown clocks are currently in operation at 32 bus stops across the City.
- The City is working with the MTA to add traffic-signal priority for buses to cut travel times on eight routes: five in Queens (Main Street, Kissena Boulevard/Parsons Boulevard, Hillside Ave., Merrick Boulevard, Woodhaven Boulevard), Staten Island (Victory Boulevard), the Bronx (161 Street), and Brooklyn (Kings Highway/Flatlands Avenue).
- Traffic-signal priority routes link buses' GPS units with traffic signals and can speed commutes by more than 10%.
- The City will also create bus-only lanes at congested locations around the City.

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