

## Gold Line Advisory Committee

The Arvada Gold Line Advisory Committee is comprised of a group of Arvada residents appointed by the City Council. The citizen volunteers are charged with advising the City Council on Arvada neighborhood issues with respect to the Gold Line and to also receive citizen input concerning commuter rail in Arvada. The committee also provides the community with information concerning the Gold Line and the FasTracks program and conducts various community outreach efforts related to this important transportation project.



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## Where to Obtain More Information

- Gold Line Advisory Committee: [www.arvada.org/glac](http://www.arvada.org/glac)
- City of Arvada: [www.arvada.org](http://www.arvada.org)
- RTD: [www.rtd-denver.com](http://www.rtd-denver.com)
- FasTracks: [www.rtd-fastracks.com/](http://www.rtd-fastracks.com/)

For more information about the Gold Line or FasTracks, contact the Arvada Transportation staff at (720) 898-7740 or e-mail [traffic\\_engineering@arvada.org](mailto:traffic_engineering@arvada.org)



**A mass transit  
solution for our  
community**



Olde Town Arvada Station  
Artist Rendition Simulation  
Courtesy RTD

## What is the Gold Line?

The Gold Line is an eleven-mile electrically-powered commuter rail transit line that will travel from Denver Union Station to Ward Road. There will be a total of seven stations along the corridor, including three in the City of Arvada. The Gold Line will provide a new transit option between Downtown Denver and Arvada. I-70 is expected to experience severe congestion in the future during the peak travel periods and the Gold Line will give commuters a choice.

The three Arvada stations will be located near:

1. Sheridan Boulevard and 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue
2. Olde Town Arvada
3. Arvada Ridge, near Kipling Parkway and Ridge Road and the Arvada Campus of Red Rocks Community College.

The end of line will be at the Ward Road Station in Wheat Ridge.

## What is FasTracks?

FasTracks is an RTD program designed to improve and expand all forms of rapid transit, including light rail, commuter rail, local buses, regional and express buses, circulator buses, Call-n-Ride, Access-a-Ride, HOV lanes, and bus rapid transit.

The Gold Line Project is part of the current RTD FasTracks program.

### Next Steps:

- Environmental Impact Study: Started in 2006 and Projected to End in 2008.
- Final Design: Completed 2010
- Construction: Begins 2011
- Rail Line Open: Late 2015

## Gold Line Details



## How will the Gold Line be funded?

RTD is funding FasTracks through a sales tax increase of 0.4% (\$0.40 on every \$100), which was passed by voters in November 2004. The current RTD portion of sales tax in the metro area is 1.0%. The total expected cost of FasTracks is \$6.2 billion. The Gold Line portion of FasTracks is projected to cost approximately \$553 million (in 2015 dollars). The Gold Line and the East Corridor to DIA have been selected by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for a program to utilize both public and private money to complete the project.

## Corridor Info

- 25 minute trip from Ward Road to downtown (2007 estimate)
- 7.5 minute peak-period service (time between trains)
- 15 minute off-peak service
- 0 minute delay due to weather or traffic
- 2,250 parking spaces on opening day (950 in Arvada)
- 15,900-18,200 average daily transit riders