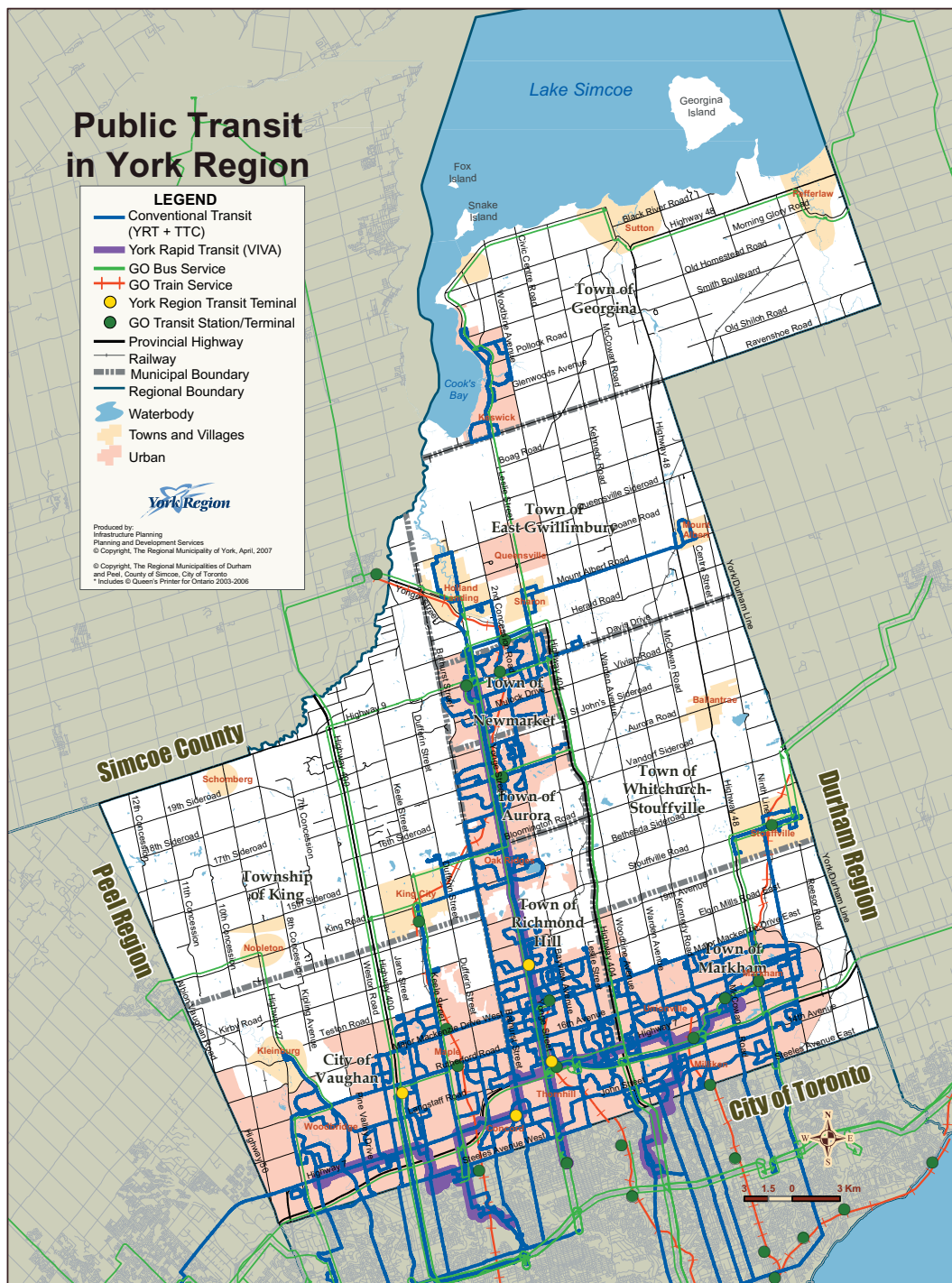




Public Transit In York Region

A family of public transit services are available in York Region consisting of the following:

- Conventional transit services provided by York Region Transit (YRT), Brampton Transit, and contracted Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) routes.
- Viva Rapid Transit service is planned and implemented by York Region Rapid Transit Corporation.
- Inter-regional rail and bus services provided by GO Transit.
- Specialized transit services for persons with disabilities (YRT Mobility Plus). In addition, Transit Georgina is a non-profit service affiliated with YRT that provides similar services largely within the Town of Georgina.

For more information on transit services in York Region please contact:

York Region Transit (YRT)

Tel: (905) 762-2100

Toll Free: 1-866-MOVE YRT (668-3978)

Web Site: <http://www.yrt.ca>



Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)

Tel: (416) 393-INFO (4636) (24 hours a day)

Web Site: <http://www.ttc.ca>



GO Transit

Tel: (416) 869-3200

Toll Free: 1-888-GET ON GO (888-438-6646)

Web Site: <http://www.gotransit.ca>



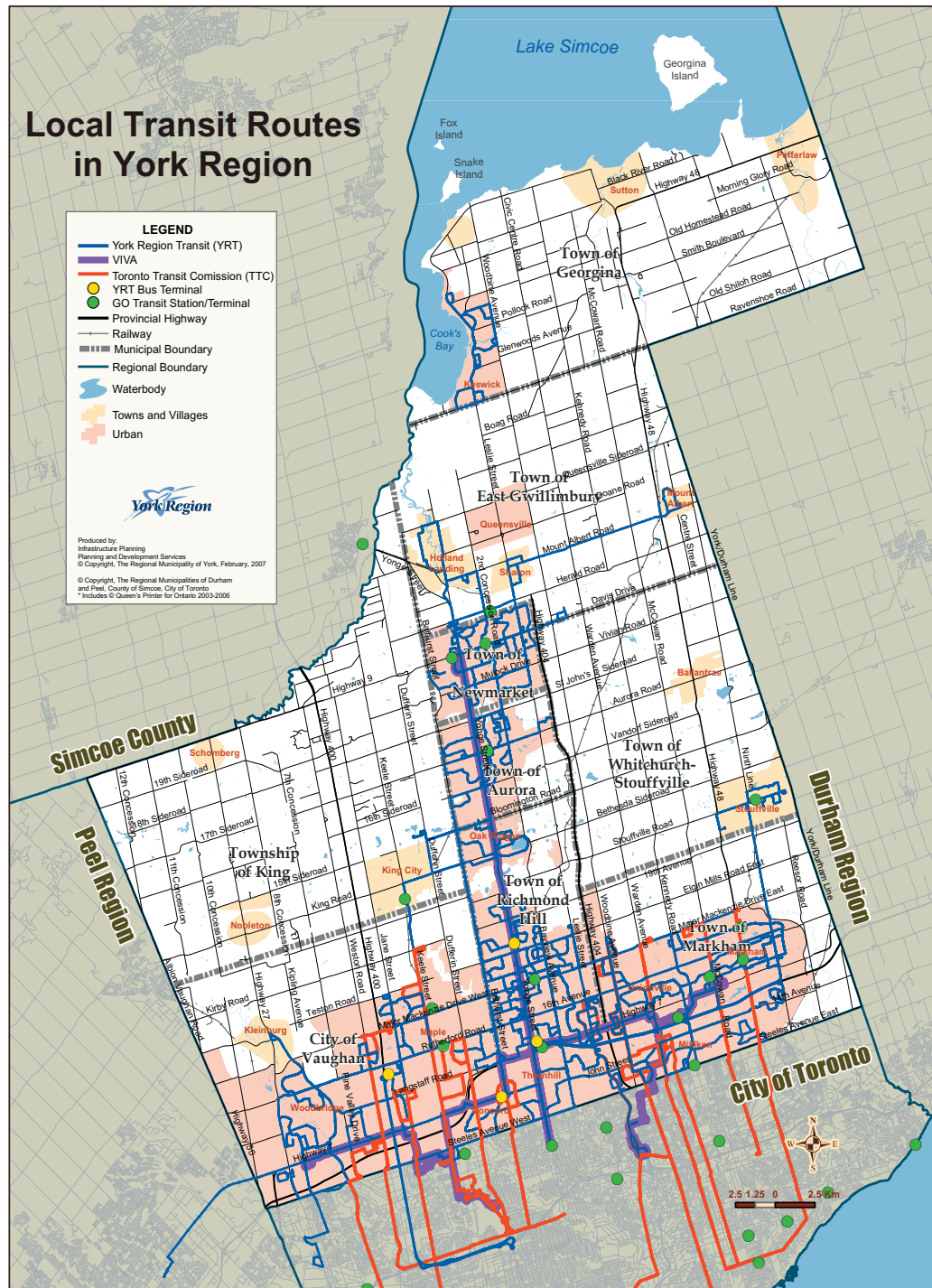
York Region Rapid Transit Corporation - VIVA

Tel: (905) 886-6767

Web Site: <http://www.vivayork.com>



Local Transit Routes in York Region



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In 2006, York Region Transit (YRT) provided conventional transit services on 76 conventional routes and 5 rapid transit routes, for a total of 81 different routes covering all nine area municipalities.

YRT has a fleet of 271 conventional transit buses, 85 Viva rapid transit buses, and 5 community buses, that are maintained and operated by four different private contractors. As well, YRT contracts services from the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC), which extends 12 of its routes into York Region.

There are 5 YRT/Viva transit terminals (Promenade Mall, Vaughan Mills Mall, York University, Richmond Hill Centre Terminal, and Yonge-Bernard), 733 conventional bus shelters, 96 Viva stations and 4,166 bus stops throughout the Region. YRT currently connects to 15 GO Rail stations and 2 GO Bus terminals.

For more information on YRT please contact:

York Region Transit

50 High Tech Road, 5th Floor
Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4N7

Tel: (905) 762-2100

Toll Free: 1-866-MOVE YRT (668-3978)

Email: transitinfo@york.ca



Call Centre, Hours of Operation

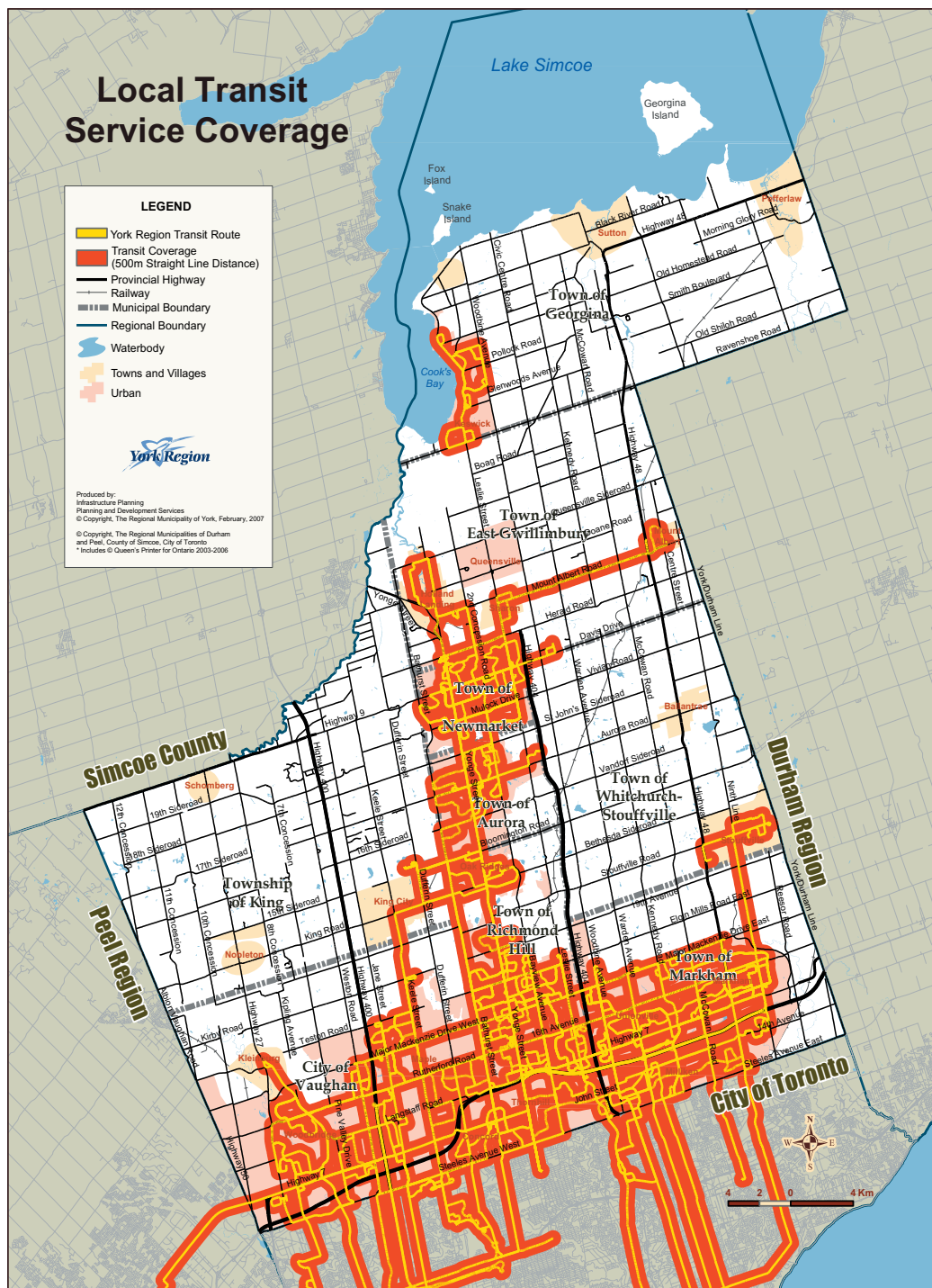
7:00 a.m - 7:00 p.m (Monday - Friday)

8:30 a.m - 4:30 p.m (Saturday, Sunday & Holidays)

TTY (local): (905) 881-5167

TTY (toll free): 1-866-276-7478

Web Site: <http://www.yrt.ca>



Local Transit Service Coverage

Transit accessibility is defined as a walking distance within 500 metres of a transit route.

York Region Transit's service area covers 79% of the urban area of York Region. This percentage is potentially higher than 79% if only the portion of the designated urban area that is either occupied or developed is considered.



York Region Transit - Family of Vehicles in 2006



Type of Vehicle		Number of Active Revenue Vehicles	Estimated Maximum Vehicles Operated During Weekday Peak Period	Estimated Maximum Vehicles Operated During Weekday Midday Period	Average Age of Active Revenue Vehicles
Standard Bus (30'-45')	Low Floor	165	218	83	6.6 yrs
	High Floor Accessible	35			
	High Floor Non-Accessible	71			
Viva Rapid Transit	40'	60	70	33	
	60'	25			
Community Bus (less than 29.5')	Low Floor	20	5	5	
Total		376	293	121	

Note: 81% of fleet is accessible.

VIVA - York Rapid Transit

York Region's new rapid transit network offers people an improved alternative to driving a car. Viva is moving people quickly, reducing congestion, and supporting sustainable development in four of the major urban corridors of the Region. The first phase of Viva began in the fall of 2005 with commissioning of full service in all four corridors. The four rapid transit corridors are: **Yonge Street, Highway 7, Vaughan-Downsview, and Markham-Don Mills**. The Viva network will link the four designated Regional centres of Markham, Richmond Hill, Vaughan and Newmarket in three phases over a eight to ten year period.

In March 2006, the Government of Ontario announced their commitment of \$670 million to the Spadina Subway project, York Region and the City of Toronto have agreed to fund the remaining one-third of the project.

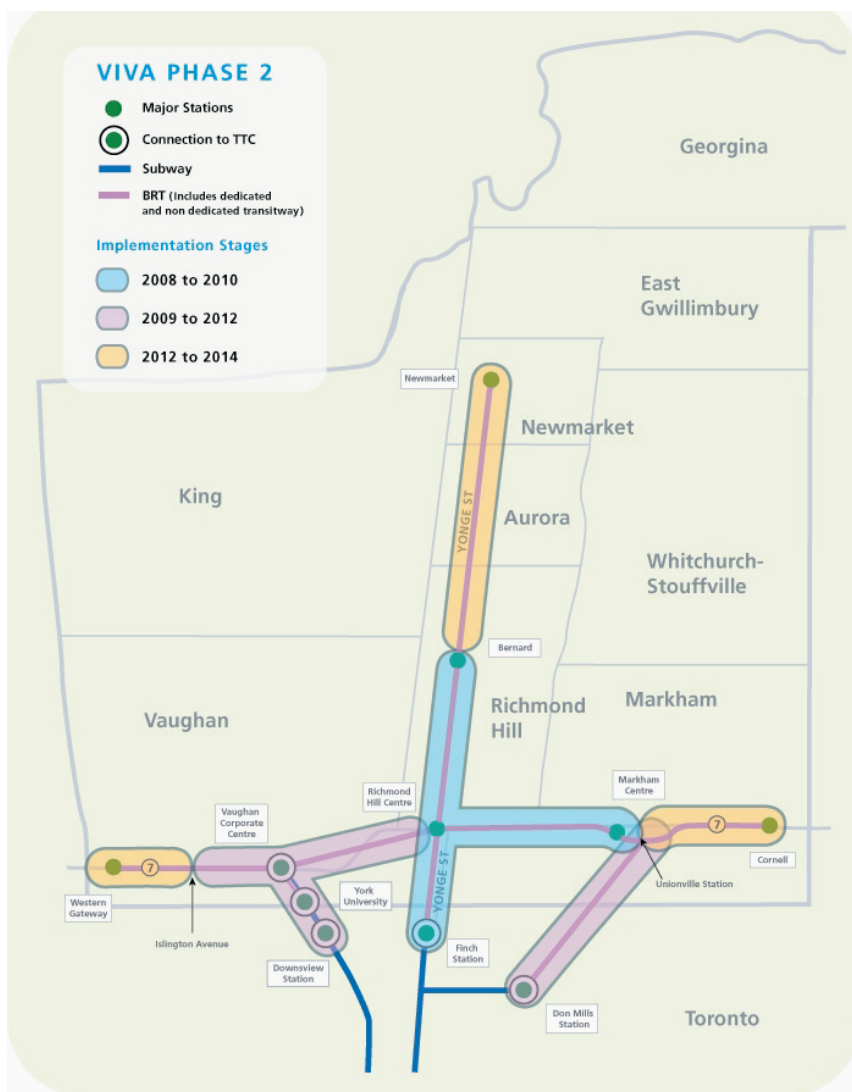
Funding announcements made by the Government of Canada in March 2007 included:

- \$697 million to expand the existing Spadina subway line by 8.6 kilometres through York University into York Region to the Vaughan Corporate Centre.
- \$85 million to help fund Viva Rapid Transit Phase 2, Stage 1.

Phase one of Viva provides many of the public amenities associated with rapid transit services. Advanced features include: off-board proof-of-payment fare collection to allow quick boarding and disembarking from all doors, real-time passenger information at stops, transit vehicle priority at signalized intersections, and bus stop spacing of approximately one kilometre.

Phase two of Viva includes the construction of a bus rapid transit network by 2014, contingent upon receiving Federal and Provincial funding support. Based on the designs proposed through the environmental assessment process, dedicated transit lanes will separate rapid transit vehicles from general traffic.

In phase three, light rail transit and subway extensions are planned to be built with further bus rapid transit expansion to handle the growth in ridership.

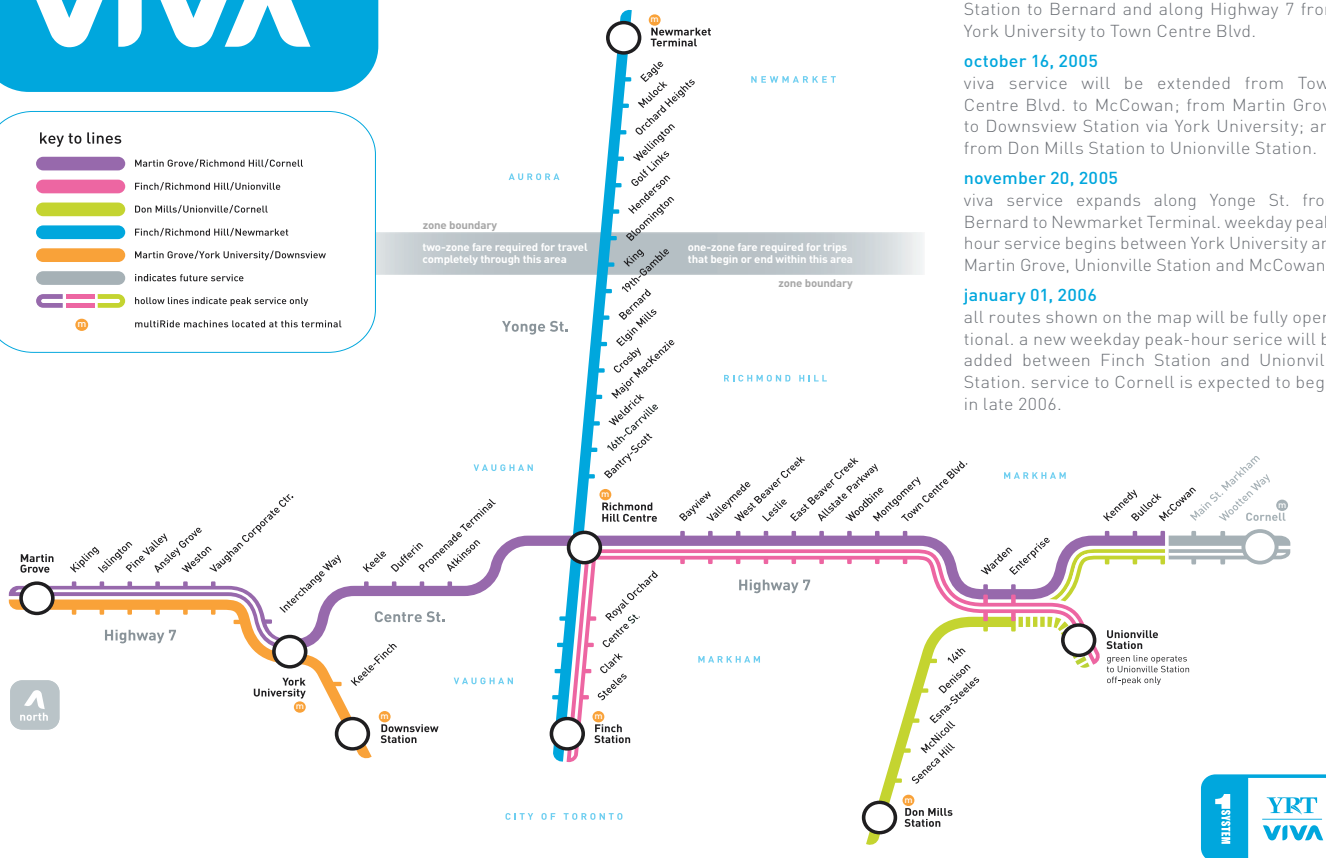


york region
rapid transit route map

VIVA™

key to lines

- Martin Grove/Richmond Hill/Cornell
- Finch/Richmond Hill/Unionville
- Don Mills/Unionville/Cornell
- Finch/Richmond Hill/Newmarket
- Martin Grove/York University/Downsview
- indicates future service
- hollow lines indicate peak service only
- multiRide machines located at this terminal



where & when to viva:

september 4, 2005

viva service begins along Yonge St. from Finch Station to Bernard and along Highway 7 from York University to Town Centre Blvd.

october 16, 2005

viva service will be extended from Town Centre Blvd. to McCowan; from Martin Grove to Downsview Station via York University; and from Don Mills Station to Unionville Station.

november 20, 2005

viva service expands along Yonge St. from Bernard to Newmarket Terminal. weekday peak-hour service begins between York University and Martin Grove, Unionville Station and McCowan.

january 01, 2006

all routes shown on the map will be fully operational. a new weekday peak-hour service will be added between Finch Station and Unionville Station. service to Cornell is expected to begin in late 2006.

VIVA Phase One

The first phase of Viva consists of five transit routes:

- **Yonge-Richmond Hill-Newmarket** - Running along Yonge Street from Newmarket to the GO Transit Finch Station in north Toronto with additional peak period services between Finch Station and Bernard Station.
- **Martin Grove-Richmond Hill-McCowan** – Running along Highway 7 from Martin Grove in Vaughan to McCowan Road in Markham, this route serves Woodbridge, Vaughan Corporate Centre (Jane Street and Highway 7 area), York University, Promenade Mall, Richmond Hill Centre (Yonge Street and Highway 7) and Markham Centre (Warden Avenue and Highway 7 area).

- **Martin Grove-York University-Downsview** – Provides an important connection between the Vaughan Corporate Centre and the TTC's Downsview Station, via York University.
- **Don Mills-Unionville-Cornell** – Provides a connection between Cornell Community, Markham Centre and the TTC's Don Mills Station.
- **Finch-Richmond Hill-Unionville** – Operates from Unionville GO Station, along Highway 7 and south on Yonge Street only during weekday peak periods.

Started in the Fall of 2005, specially marked state-of-the-art buses operate up to 20 hours a day and run every 10 minutes during the morning and evening rush hours. Queue jump lanes and traffic signal priority measures speed buses through congested intersections.

For more information on Viva please visit the rapid transit web site at: <http://www.vivayork.com>



YRT Mobility Plus

YRT Mobility Plus provides door-to-door service for residents of York Region with special needs, who are unable to board, ride or disembark from a regular transit bus. A fleet of 20 buses, supplemented by a series of taxis and vans, are used to provide this service as far south as Highway 401.

There are designated Mobility Plus bus stops where passengers can transfer to/from TTC WheelTrans.

A Scrip Ride Program is also provided by Mobility Plus. It is a spontaneous service for registered YRT Mobility Plus customers who may have last minute or unplanned trips. The registered rider books directly with a specified local taxi company, and pays the taxi fare within York Region with Scrip Ride coupons which are purchased at 50 percent of the book value. This service is subject to vehicle availability.

For more information on YRT Mobility Plus please contact:

York Region Mobility Plus

50 High Tech Road, 5th Floor
Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4N7

Tel: (905) 762-2112

Toll Free: 1-866-744-1119

Web Site: <http://www.yrt.ca/specialized.asp>

GO Transit in York Region

GO Transit is an inter-regional public transit system, linking the City of Toronto with the surrounding regions of the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). GO Transit carries more than 48 million passengers a year in an extensive network of train and bus services; it runs 181 train trips and 1,516 bus trips daily, carrying about 195,000 passengers on a typical weekday — 165,000 on the trains and 30,000 by bus.

Since it began operating in May 1967, a billion people have taken the GO Train or the GO Bus. Officially known as the Greater Toronto Transit Authority (GTTA), GO Transit provides safe, convenient, and efficient transportation to the communities of the GTA.

GO Transit operates three rail lines (Newmarket-Bradford, Richmond Hill, Stouffville) in York Region servicing 14 GO train stations. GO Transit also services two bus only terminals (GO Finch Terminal and Newmarket GO Terminal) providing bus service to a large area of the Region. Currently the most popular bus route is the 407 York University Express service, which operates mostly along 407 ETR.

For more information on GO Transit please contact:

GO Transit

20 Bay Street, Suite 600,
Toronto, ON M5J 2W3

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