

Mt. Washington Transit Tunnel expected to Reopen Christmas Day

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (**December 22, 2025**) – Pittsburgh Regional Transit anticipates that the Mt. Washington Transit Tunnel will reopen on Thursday, December 25, restoring normal rail and bus service between the South Hills and Downtown Pittsburgh.

The tunnel has been closed since February while crews replaced track inside the tunnel and completed other critical infrastructure upgrades.

While the project was originally expected to conclude by the end of October, a design issue required PRT's contractor to adjust the location of a newly installed section of track, resulting in a delay.

With construction now complete, PRT has successfully tested the tracks and has begun conducting employee training in preparation for reopening. Once the training is completed, the tunnel will reopen.

Once regular operations resume, bus and rail service will return to using the tunnel and detoured rail service through Allentown will end. The "Subway Local" rail shuttle will be discontinued, and rail service will return to Station Square.

Regular fare collection will resume at Station Square, which had been included in the free fare zone, during construction.

The Mt. Washington Transit Tunnel is the only tunnel in the U.S. that is shared by both rail and bus transit. It serves as a key connection between the South Hills communities and Downtown Pittsburgh.

For updates or questions, riders are encouraged to call PRT Customer Service at 412-442-2000, X (formerly Twitter) @PghtTransitCare or chat with a Customer Service representative at www.rideprt.org.