

Station Platforms



There are 35 Valley Metro light rail stations. Each is approximately the length of a downtown city block. Most are located in the center of the roadway requiring the use of a signalized crosswalk to enter or exit the platform. They are generally three-quarters of a mile apart; some are closer together in the downtown Phoenix and Tempe areas.

Station design

The station design is a unique response to Arizona's desert climate. Stations maximize shade and comfort for passengers at all times of day.

- Louvered panels block the low morning and late afternoon sun on the platform.
- Overhead canopies block the mid-afternoon sun and any rainfall.
- Cool-surface paint prevents station fixtures, such as the seats, from overheating.
- Vegetation planters and screens provide additional shade and a small amount of moisture through transpiration.

Stations were also adapted to their environments using artwork and modular design. The community provided input to capture the unique neighborhood of each station area.

Valley Metro Rail map



Station Features

- Emergency call boxes and closed circuit security cameras
- Fully-accessible inclined walkways with railings
- Sensors that adjust station lighting and audible announcements
- Textured warning strips that mark crosswalks, station entryways and boarding areas
- Rider information presented as both a voice announcement and visual display
- Refrigerated drinking fountains
- Fare vending machines
- Display cases showcasing system maps, nearby activity centers and bus transfer points

