

ROUTE 77 | BENEFIT (RENAMED AS ROUTE 1 EDDY/HOPE)

Route 77 operates between Benefit Street at Thurber Street and the Pawtucket Transit Center, primarily along Benefit Street and Broadway. It is a short, direct route serving an area with moderate to high transit demand. Shifting the outer terminus to the South Attleboro MBTA station would allow for greater regional connections.

Proposed Changes

Route 77 would be combined with Routes 1 Eddy/Gaspee and 42 Hope, rebranded as Route 1 Hope/Eddy to better describe how the route actually operates. In addition:

- In the short-term, the northern terminus will continue to be the same as for existing Route 77. Once issues related to crossing the state line have been resolved, the northern end of the route will be shifted to South Attleboro Station to provide commuter rail connections. This would allow residents of Pawtucket to access the MBTA without having to travel through downtown Providence. The last departure from South Attleboro would be coordinated with MBTA's 10:02 PM arrival from Boston's South Station.
- To make service faster and more direct, the Warwick southern portion of the route would operate via Post Road and Warwick Avenue. And, to improve service to T.F. Green Airport, the southern terminus of Route 1 would be extended to the airport.

On weekdays, service would operate with a combination of long and short-trips. Short-trips would operate between the Pawtucket Transit Center and Shaw's on Warwick Ave. Long-trips would operate the full length of the line between the airport and So. Attleboro Station. By alternating long and short-trips, service would be provided consistently every 15 minutes between the Pawtucket Transit Center and Shaw's, and every 30 minutes along the outer ends of the route. Combined with Route 20 Elmwood Avenue, which would also be extended to the airport (see Route 20), service would be provided every 15 minutes between the airport and downtown.

Before and After Statistics

	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Span of Service		
Weekday	5:22 AM – 7:30 PM	5:30 AM - 10:15 PM
Saturday	6:26 AM – 8:48 PM	6:30 AM - 10:15 PM
Sunday	7:57 AM – 7:19 PM	7:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Headways		
Weekday		
AM Peak	20-23	30
Midday	17-43	30
PM Peak	19-53	30
Evening	24-40	60
Saturday	32-51	40
Sunday	50-60	40

Related Changes

- Route 35 Rumford would also be realigned to extend to the South Attleboro MBTA station, providing service from Rumford every 60 minutes.
- Route 79 will be discontinued as it follows a similar alignment to Route 80s and 35.
- Routes 76 and 80 will both operate at 40 minute frequencies.



ROUTE 77 | BENEFIT MAP



