

# Summary

## Executive summary

Sound Transit's Graham Street Station Project would add a new street-level station to the existing 1 Line of the Link light rail network on Martin Luther King Jr Way South near South Graham Street in the Rainier Valley. This station location was included in the voter-approved Sound Transit 3 (ST3) system plan.

Sound Transit conducted several engagement activities to involve community members.

In March through May 2024, we conducted seven community interviews. The goal of these interviews is to share project information, build relationships with the surrounding communities, and inform the Community Engagement and Communications Plan. We spoke with community members and representatives of community-based organizations. During the community interviews, we heard support for the station.

We hosted an online open house and survey from July 2 through July 28. The online open house shared project information including site selection considerations. The purpose of the survey was to gather input on community members' priorities and concerns. The survey was taken by 525 people.

Survey respondents noted that enhanced access and safety for people walking, biking, or taking transit are important design considerations. Respondents also noted that the station design should minimize the disruptions and impact to local businesses, sharing their concerns over rent, noise, and overall impacts to the area.

In addition to the online open house, Sound Transit hosted an in-person open house and five tabling events. Outreach staff engaged with over 220 people at these events.

Those that attended the in-person open house event and tabling sessions expressed support for having a station in the vicinity of South Graham Street. People expressed a desire to enhance safety for those traveling to the station, especially for people walking. Community members suggested investment in pedestrian infrastructure and bus connections for easier access. Community members also articulated requests to preserve the existing local businesses.

We promoted the open house events and raised project awareness by sending mailers to nearby homes and businesses, emailing community-based organizations, spreading the word on social media, and posting flyers at local businesses and community gathering areas. Media coverage of the project and engagement opportunity appeared in [The Urbanist](#) and [Seattle Transit Blog](#).

Community feedback, along with technical considerations, will inform how we move forward with this project and conceptual engineering/environmental review. Later this year, we will provide an update on what was heard from the community.



525 people completed the online survey



252 people subscribed to project updates



Engaged with over 50 people at the in-person open house



Engaged with over 220 people at 5 in-person tabling events



Met with people at 7 community interviews and briefings



Sent 5,044 mailers to recipients within a ½-mile radius of the project area



Received 23,110 impressions and 1,280 clicks on social media