



Be Safe!

Do you ride a bike or skateboard? When crossing streetcar tracks along H Street and Benning Road, walk your bike and carry your skateboard. It is the safest way to cross. And always wear your helmet when riding a bike or skateboarding.



Streetcar Word Search

streetcars, substation, car barn, passenger, be safe, look, listen, tracks, helmet, transit

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Crack the Safety Code!

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Streetcars cannot stop as quickly as a car. They take a few more moments to decrease their speed and come to a complete stop.

- Always look both ways before crossing the tracks. Never cross in front of a moving streetcar, bus, or car.
- Use crosswalks.
- Obey signs and traffic signals.



look + listen 
be safe!

Fun Streetcar Facts

What is a streetcar?

A streetcar is a small railroad car that moves on tracks running through city streets and is used to carry passengers. Streetcars are powered by electricity.



How do streetcars get electricity?

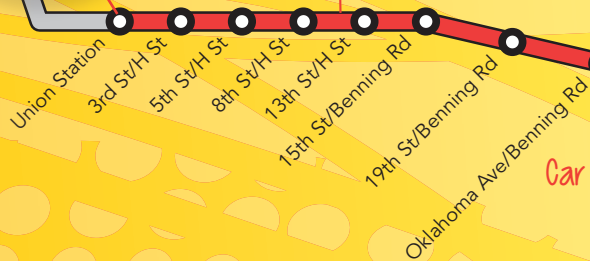
Substations are safe, enclosed systems that send electricity to the streetcars. Three substations will be used for the H/Benning Line.



The Western substation will be located under the Hopscotch Bridge near Union Station.

The Midline substation will be at the northwest corner of H and 12th Streets NE.

The Eastern substation will be located on the grounds of the CBTC.



Car Barn + Training Center = CBTC

Streetcars aren't new to H Street!

The Columbia Railway Co. began operating a horse-drawn streetcar line along H Street in 1872. They switched to electric streetcars in 1899. The streetcar service stopped on H Street in 1949.

Where do streetcars drive?

Streetcars drive in the lane where there are tracks. Buses, cars, and trucks can drive in this lane too. Streetcars must follow traffic lights and speed limits just like buses, cars, trucks, and bicycles.

DC Streetcar lines



When complete, the DC Streetcar system will have eight lines operating in all eight wards of the city. The H/Benning Line will be the first to operate in DC since 1962, when all streetcar service in the city ended.

What is a Car Barn?

A Car Barn serves as an operations and maintenance building. Streetcars are inspected, cleaned and when needed, repaired in the Car Barn. It also provides a training center, community space, and offices. The Car Barn will be located at Benning Road and 26th Street NE.



DC Car Barn, 1932

What is the Training Center?

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is working with the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) on a training program to be located in the car barn building. The focus of the education program will be on the growing field of electric vehicle technology and transit systems.