

Local transportation to the March for Life Rally location

Due to high costs, we were not able to charter a local bus to transfer us from the Basilica down to the March for Life Rally location on the Washington Mall. You will be responsible for getting yourselves there from the Basilica.

Options available are ride-share (Uber, Lyft), taxi, Metro Rail. The easiest is Metro Rail. The closest Metro station to the Basilica is **Brookland-CUA Red Line** on the eastern edge of Catholic University of America. It is about a 10 minute walk to the metro station from the front entrance of the basilica.

You can purchase Metro fare cards at the metro station from the vending machines. Expect lines to purchase cards if you choose to do this.

You can also use the Mobile app, SmarTrip. However, each person will have to have their own device with the app installed and with the virtual fare card on it, purchased in advance. The app is free. You can purchase a virtual fare card in the app.

For information about riding the Metro, visit the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) web site at this URL: <https://www.wmata.com/>

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Each fare card costs \$2 administration fee, plus the fare amount you will put on that card. The fare is deducted from the card as you use it. The fare from Brookland-CUA Metro Station down to the Washington Mall is about \$3.

The app will allow you to swipe your phone at the turnstile using Google Pay or Apply Pay. For information about this, see the Washington Metro web site at <https://www.wmata.com/fares/MobilePay/index.cfm>

For any questions about the Metro, please contact WMATA. Their contact information is on their web site at the URLs above.

Important Information about riding the Metro to the March:

While walking and riding the metro in DC, please be respectful of residents and commuters. Let's show the Nation's Capital how passionate, polite, and respectful pro-lifers really are!

Closest Metro to Basilica is **Brookland-CUA Red Line**. Tickets available at self-pay kiosks in station or on the SmarTrip app. More info at <https://smartrip.wmata.com>

To get to March:

Board **RED LINE** towards **SHADY GROVE** (end of line destination)
Exit at **METRO CENTER METRO STATION**

OR transfer to

Orange Line to **NEW CARROLLTON** (end of line destination)
Exit at either **FEDERAL TRIANGLE METRO STATION** or **SMITHSONIAN METRO STATION**. I would recommend using Smithsonian.