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DOWNTOWN CONNECTION BUS ROUTE CHANGES COMING FEBRUARY 20

NEW YORK (January 27, 2016) – The Alliance for Downtown New York will be rerouting The Downtown Connection, Lower Manhattan's free bus service, one block north to Chambers Street between North End Avenue and Broadway, effective February 20 through September 2019. The new routing is in response to the NYC Department of Design and Construction's (DDC) reconstruction project on Warren Street, which was announced earlier this month.

The changes will affect routes by eliminating three bus stops: Warren Street and Greenwich Street, Warren Street and Church Avenue, and North End Avenue and Warren Street (west-bound). Seaport-bound buses from North End Avenue will now travel east along Chambers Street and return to normal service at Broadway and Murray Street. In the interim, riders should use stops along Murray Street and the east-bound stop at North End Avenue and Warren Street to access the area. Specifically for Whole Foods, the closest stop will be at Murray Street and Greenwich Street.



"Many residents rely on The Downtown Connection to help get around Lower Manhattan and making sure we continue service as seamlessly and safely as possible is the highest priority for us," said **Downtown Alliance President Jessica Lappin**.

The Downtown Connection, a partnership program with the Battery Park City Authority, runs seven days a week, from 10 am to 7:30 pm, at an average interval of ten minutes during the week and fifteen minutes on weekends. Riders can track the buses in real time using nextbus, which will send text alerts for the next arriving bus, and access free high-speed WiFi from Veniam while on the way to their destination. The Downtown Connection buses are operated by Golden Touch Transportation of New York.

The Downtown Connection map can be found [here](#) and photos are available [here](#).

The mission of the Alliance for Downtown New York is to provide service, advocacy, research and information to advance Lower Manhattan as a global model of a 21st century Central Business District for businesses, residents and visitors. The Downtown Alliance manages the Downtown-Lower Manhattan Business Improvement District (BID), serving an area roughly from City Hall to the Battery, from the East River to West Street. For more information visit www.downtownny.com