

Got a train to catch

Virginia Railway Express continues its growth with the addition this week of a new midday train south to Fredericksburg.

The train leaves at 1 p.m. from Union Station in Washington, D.C., and arrives in Fredericksburg at 2:26 p.m. after stops at the L'Enfant Plaza, Crystal City, Alexandria, Franconia-Springfield, Lorton, Woodbridge, Rippon, Quantico, Brooke and Leeland Road stations.

We're thankful for the new service. It provides one more option for commuters and pleasure travelers, helps link outer Northern Virginia communities to those closer in and takes pressure off our crowded streets and interstates.

According to VRE's numbers, the railway during rush hour takes enough cars off the road to fill a lane of traffic on both Interstate 66 and I-95.

Keep up the good work. Our commuters can use any help they can get.