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24-HOUR WEEKEND SUBWAY SERVICE

Friday & Saturday nights



**For shift workers. For a night out.
For an affordable way home.**

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A TTC policy proposal

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What I'm proposing

Keep Toronto's subway running through Friday and Saturday nights, connecting directly into regular morning service. People should be able to use the subway throughout the weekend without an overnight shutdown.

How it would work

Extend existing subway operations by approximately 8-11 hours each week, filling the overnight gaps before Saturday and Sunday morning service.

The TTC would develop a costed operating plan covering:

- **Overnight frequency:** establish dependable service suited to nighttime demand.
- **Staffing and safety:** provide operators, station staff, cleaning and safety support.
- **Maintenance:** protect essential inspections and repairs through a revised maintenance schedule and planned closures where necessary.
- **Connections:** coordinate night buses and streetcars so people can complete their journey beyond the subway.

Where a full rollout is not immediately feasible, begin with an extension of service til 3 am on sections of Lines 1 and 2 and expand based on results.

Who it would help

This is about everyone working a graveyard shift: healthcare workers, cleaners, security guards, warehouse staff, maintenance crews and hospitality workers. Their shifts do not follow subway hours. Weekend overnight service would help people reach early starts and get home after late finishes, while supporting Toronto's nightlife and events.

No more leaving before last call because the subway is going to close! This policy would also help people attending concerts, visiting friends or enjoying Toronto's nightlife.

An affordable journey home should be part of what makes the city accessible.

Why this is an affordability policy

Weekend Uber surge pricing can leave people paying far more than they planned, or waiting over an hour for a ride they can afford. Overnight subway service would give people another option.

For a journey that could be made by transit, replacing a \$20 ride with a \$3.30 TTC fare would save \$16.70. More expensive rides could mean greater savings.

Under a proposed ten-trip weekly fare cap, someone commuting twice each weekday would reach their free trips on Friday. If they took only two more trips that week, they would save \$6.60. Other riders could save more, depending on their travel.

Weekend overnight subway service could avoid a much larger expense on a single journey. Transit affordability depends on having service available when people need it.

People should be able to work late or enjoy Toronto without an expensive ride home deciding whether they can afford it.

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