PAOLI STATION ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

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Project Funding (Estimated)
$36M ($12M Amtrak/$24M SEPTA)

Project Schedule
Open House: Early Summer 2016
Construction Start: Summer 2016
Construction Completion: Winter 2018

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Proposed Station from Valley Road Bridge
Proposed Station from North Parking Lot
Introduction

The Paoli Train Station is an Amtrak-owned station located in Pennsylvania along the Keystone Corridor which extends from Philadelphia to Harrisburg, Pa. The station is served by both Amtrak trains (Keystone and Pennsylvanian) and SEPTA Regional Rail trains (Paoli Thorndale Line) as well as SEPTA bus routes 92, 105, 106, 204, 205, and 206. In FY 15, 176,474 Amtrak passengers and approximately 740,000 SEPTA passengers passed through the station.

The current station facilities, built in 1953 by the Pennsylvania Railroad, including the one-story brick station building, are not accessible, and are in need of improvement. SEPTA and Amtrak have partnered to make modifications to the station and infrastructure at the station to bring into compliance with 2006 Department of Transportation (DOT) Accessibility Standards.

Project Overview

Beginning this summer, Amtrak will commence construction of the Paoli Station Accessibility Improvements. This project will include a series of improvements aimed at making the station fully accessible for all passengers. The project includes a new center high level platform, new elevators and ramps, a pedestrian overpass, parking lot improvements, ADA improvements to the existing station building, and changes to infrastructure that allow for construction of the center high level platform.

Once complete, this project will set the stage for additional components needed to construct the Paoli Intermodal Transportation Center, a new expansive transportation center envisioned to serve the growing needs of the traveling public, and support the Paoli business district and future economic growth in the area.

Project Objectives

The Paoli Station Accessibility Improvements will:

- Improve accessibility for all users, bringing the station into compliance with 2006 Department of Transportation Accessibility Standards
- Improve safety
- Add high level platforms
- Provide operational flexibility