The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is implementing a nearly $400 million capital improvement program over the next three years at Midway International Airport that will significantly upgrade the travel experience for years to come. The Midway Modernization Program (MMP) will bring new and expanded concessions, a larger security checkpoint area, and an enhanced terminal parking garage.

The CDA will oversee a phased approach to construction on MMP projects to minimize traffic impacts to the surrounding community and to maintain seamless operations at Midway to keep employees and travelers moving through the airport.

Security Checkpoint Expansion

- New north security pavilion is now open! TSA completed move on November 1 marking a milestone for the Modernization Program.
  - Currently 13 lanes available; two more opening by mid-month for 15 total lanes.
  - Exit path through new checkpoint reconfigured on November 7.
- Demolition of existing TSA bridge over Cicero Avenue is underway.
  - Work will be around the clock until demolition is complete.
- Lane closures for some airport roadways will begin after Thanksgiving.
  - Rental car shuttles and passenger pickup affected – outer lanes between lower level door #2 and lower level door #3.
- All construction will be on the south side of the terminal once Southwest Airlines and Delta move into new Baggage Service Offices (BSOs) by mid-month.

- Construction walls will extend around south side of baggage claim once the BSO relocation is complete.
  - Lower level door #4 to reopen.

Terminal Parking Garage Enhancements

- Upgrades to elevators in garage lobbies (yellow, blue, and red) continue and feature automatic exit/entry doors and new heating/cooling units.
- Improvements are also in progress throughout the garage including:
  - Replacement of vehicle wheel stops and re-striping of parking spaces.
  - Upgrades to lighting and painting.
  - Improved safety features with upgrades to rescue assistance units and new security cameras at stairwells.
- CTA Orange Line Station access available at temporary Kiss & Ride lot entrance off of 59th Street.

We recognize the disruption construction can cause and thank you for your patience as we make much needed improvements. We hope you will join in our excitement as we watch a Modern Midway rise up around us!
The Concessions Redevelopment Program will reflect Chicago’s diversity and showcase the best of local options and brands through a $75 million private partnership investment. With more than 70 offerings planned, the effort will double concessions jobs from 700 to 1,400.

**Concessions Redevelopment Program**

- Construction on **Central Market** began on October 30.
- Closed locations include **Nuts on Clark, Home Run Inn, DeCOLORES, Dunkin Express, Tabo Sushi, Southside News, Tech on the Go**.
- Temporary food program **Central Market Express** expected to open on November 19.
- New restaurants coming to Central Market in March 2020 include:
  - Gene’s Bistro
  - Tallboy Taco
  - Big Bowl

**Construction Update**

Construction continues or gets underway next month on several permanent locations in B Concourse:

- **Dunkin Donuts** (Gate B20): Opening planned for January 2020.
- **Big City Chicken** (Gate B7 - currently Tap & Pour): Opening planned for February 2020.
- **Sarah’s Candies** (Gate B2 - currently Sweet Indulgences): Construction begins end of December with an opening planned for March 2020.

**Building System Improvements Continue**

Renovations to the Chiller Plant (outside the terminal) continue and support ongoing improvements to Midway’s building systems, including heating and cooling. Work also continues in the terminal and concourses. Travelers and employees may notice:

- Brief, intermittent closures in different areas for HVAC and lighting upgrades.
- Temporary closures at gates/waiting areas (two at a time) in Concourse A for the first half of November before moving to Concourse B. Extra seating will be in place.

System improvements will last through next summer, but should not affect overall operations or travelers.