GOLDSBORO UNION STATION

PAST
Goldsboro’s historic Union Station served passenger trains between 1909 and 1968. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1977.

PRESENT
The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) purchased Union Station and adjoining acreage in July 2007, to preserve and adaptively reuse as a modern multimodal center. Stabilization of the historic building (preventing further deterioration and keeping the weather out) was completed in December 2008. NCDOT has now passed ownership to the City of Goldsboro.

WHO’S WHO?
The revitalization of Union Station has involved many people and organizations, and will continue to do so in the future. The lead agencies are the NCDOT Rail Division, NCDOT Public Transportation Division, the City of Goldsboro, and Gateway Transit. Other stakeholders include Wayne County, Greyhound Lines Inc., and the Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation.

FUTURE
Phase I – After restoration, the building will be available for community functions such as meetings and special events. Other parts of the building may house civic and police offices. Parking will be provided at the south end of the site.
A new bus transfer center is planned for the north end of the site, serving Gateway Transit and Greyhound. This will include a new building with waiting and ticketing facilities. The transfer center will provide high-quality service to riders and will be a major step in the development of transit in Goldsboro, Wayne County, and the region.

Phase II – In the future, passenger trains will return to Union Station. At that time, the building will be converted back to station use. Services are planned to connect Goldsboro with Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Wilmington, and Morehead City. Connecting trains will provide service to other parts of North Carolina and the eastern states.

A SOURCE OF PRIDE
The Union Station project is not just about meeting transportation needs. It is also an important part of the revitalization of downtown Goldsboro. As well as being a key site in its own right, Union Station will be the ‘anchor’ at the end of Walnut Street, leading to and from the historic heart of downtown.