The Skinker Station provides a gateway to Washington University's main campus and the historic residential neighborhood that surrounds it. The station is located at the border between University City and St. Louis City, and serves a mix of residents, students, University employees, and visitors. One-quarter of the station area is occupied by WUSTL’s campus, mostly academic buildings, surface parking lots, and the University’s iconic Brookings Hall. East of Skinker Boulevard lies Forest Park and the Catlin Tract Historic District, consisting of two- and three-story single-family homes on one-acre lots. The historic Skinker-DeBaliviere neighborhood lies directly north of Forest Park Parkway, east of Skinker, and contains both three-story apartment buildings and two- or three-story single-family homes. The Parkview Historic District lies west of Skinker and consists entirely of two- and three-story, pre-War single-family homes. Farther north along Skinker, well outside the quarter-mile station area, is the Delmar Loop mixed-use entertainment district.

*There is no Park-Ride Lot at this station.*

Station is in an area that is eligible for New Markets Tax Credits (NMTCs)