

# What are Complete Streets?



Complete Streets are streets designed for people. They prioritize the safety, well-being, and vitality of the community. Complete Streets emphasize equity, improving mobility for everyone regardless of income, background, age, or ability. They enable & encourage alternative methods of transportation, such as biking and public transit, and improve access for those walking, using wheelchairs or strollers, & other mobility tools.

This people-centric approach makes streets better for all who use them, especially children and elderly. As a consequence of becoming safer and more pleasant spaces to be in, Complete Streets lead to improved:

## LIVABILITY

More vibrant community with space for people to interact and participate in society

## ENVIRONMENT

Reduced emissions, flood prevention treatments, decreased heat island effect

## HEALTH

Better air quality, encouraged physical activity, protection from road hazards

## ECONOMICS

Increased foot traffic and visibility, people shop more frequently

## TRANSIT

Better waiting & boarding facilities, improved schedule keeping

## DRIVING

Smoother traffic flow, reduced car traffic & parking demand, improved visibility



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