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Overview

In the next few minutes....



The State of Walking & Biking

The Future of Walking & Biking

The Action Plan





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The State of Walking & Biking

Where are we now?



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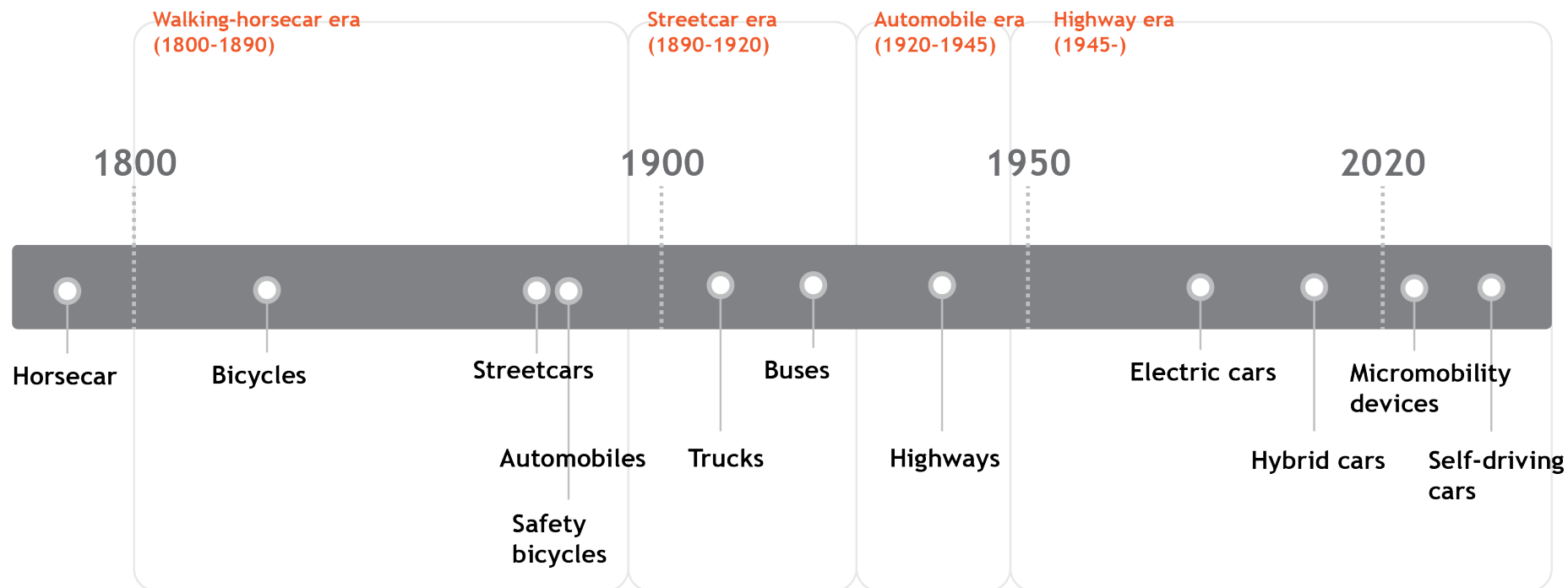
~13000 BC

Pedestrians



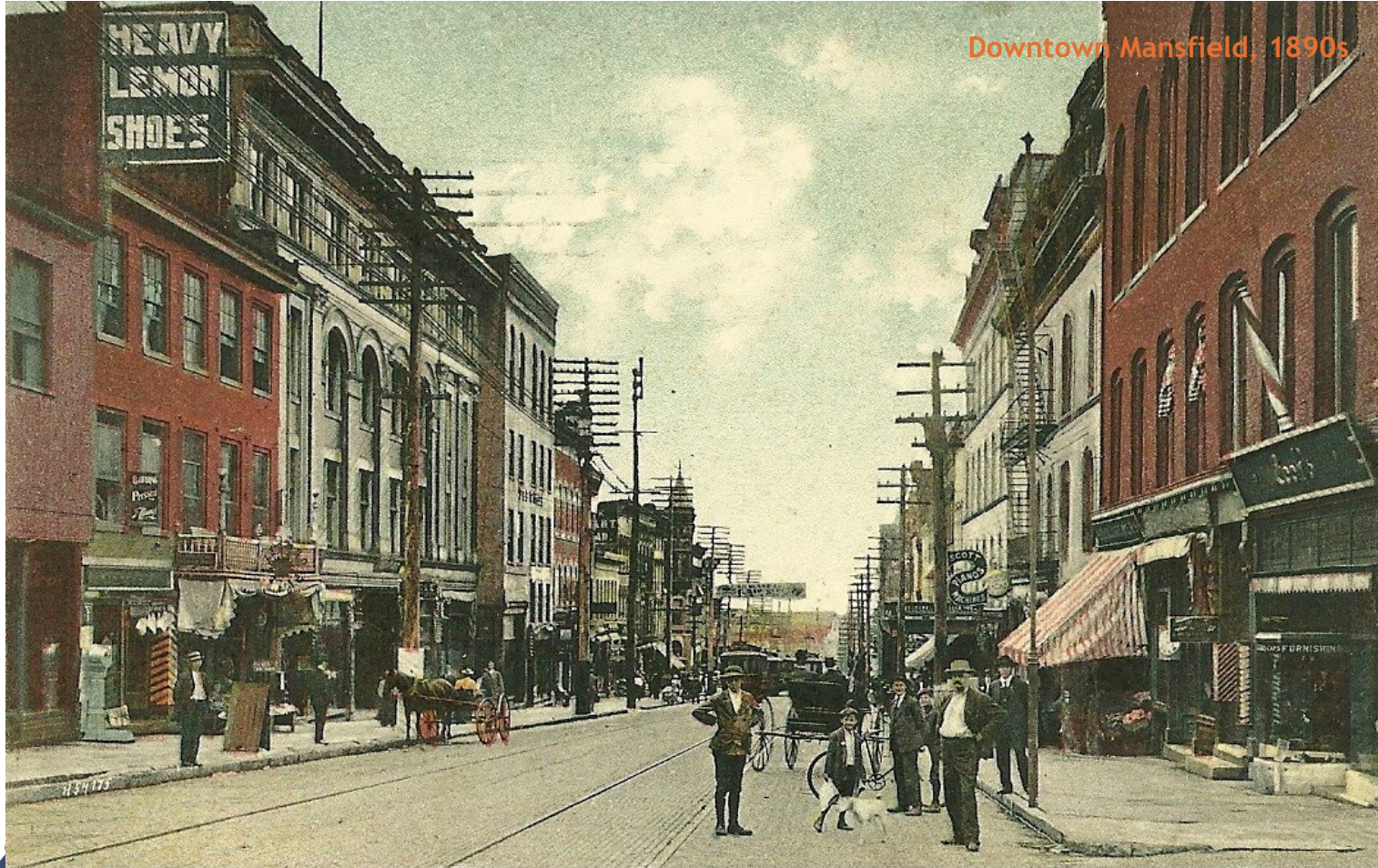
Innovations in Transport:

Surface Transportation



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Walking-Horsecar era (1800-1890)



Downtown Mansfield, 1890s



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Streetcar era (1890-1920)



Broad & High Columbus, Ohio 1910



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Automobile era (1920- 1945)



Downtown Canton, Ohio in ~1940



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Highway era (1945-)



Downtown Lorain, Ohio 1964



Network Connectivity

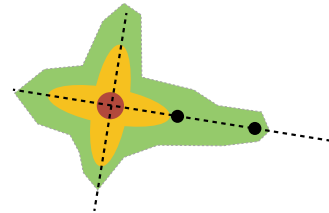
Urban Evolution



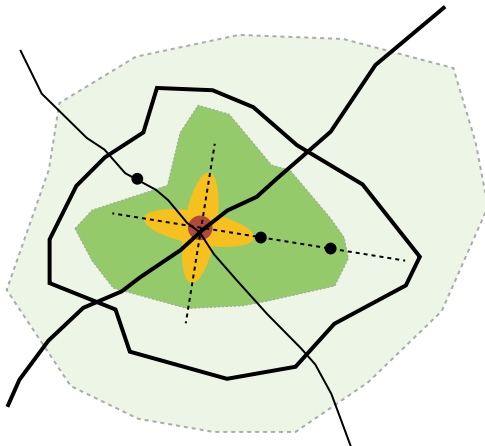
Walking-horsecar era (1800-1890)



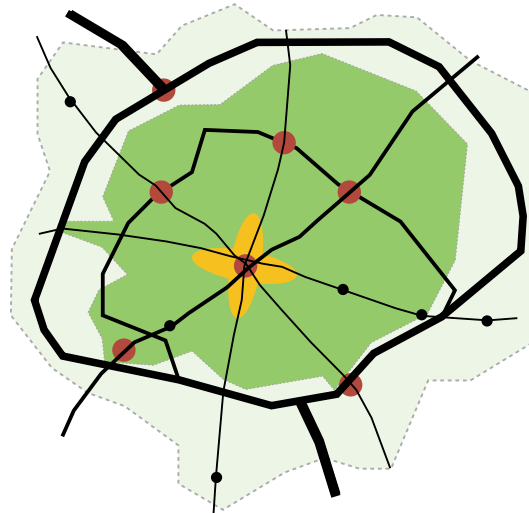
Streetcar era (1890-1920)



Automobile era (1920-1945)



Highway era (1945-)



- Centers
- CBD
- Railways
- Suburb Towns
- Roads
- Main roads
- Highways
- Suburb
- New suburb



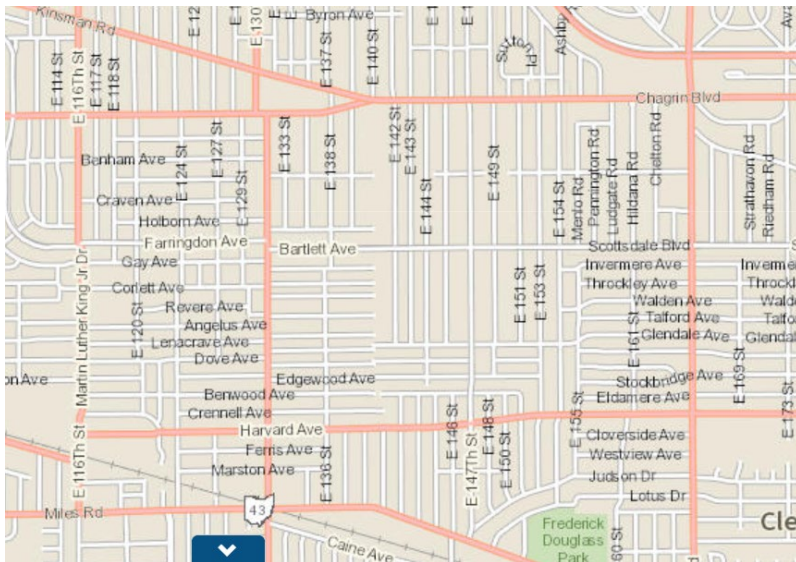
Network Connectivity

Network Density

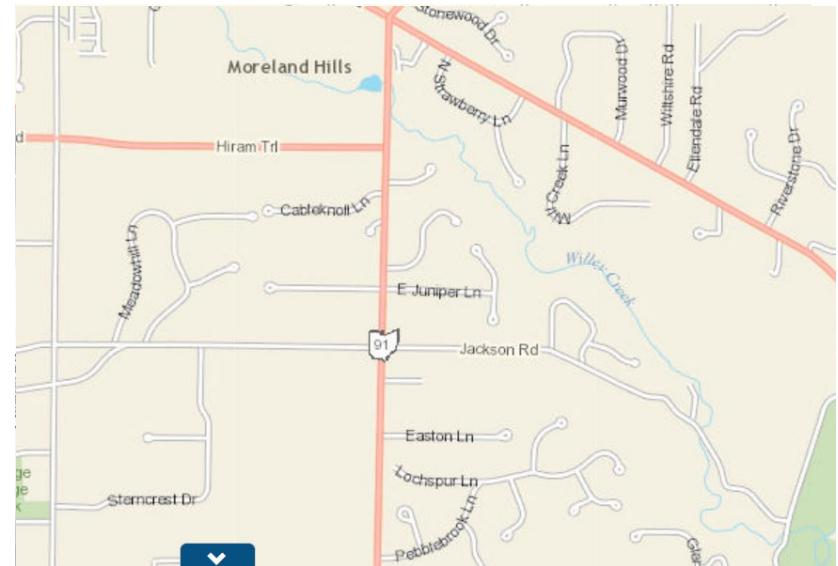


Street Maps at the Same Scale

Cleveland (Mt Pleasant), Ohio



Moreland Hills, Ohio



Network Connectivity

Lack of facilities



When survey respondents were asked why they don't walk or bike more often, the leading barrier noted was destinations were too far away, followed by a lack of infrastructure.

(WBO Survey)

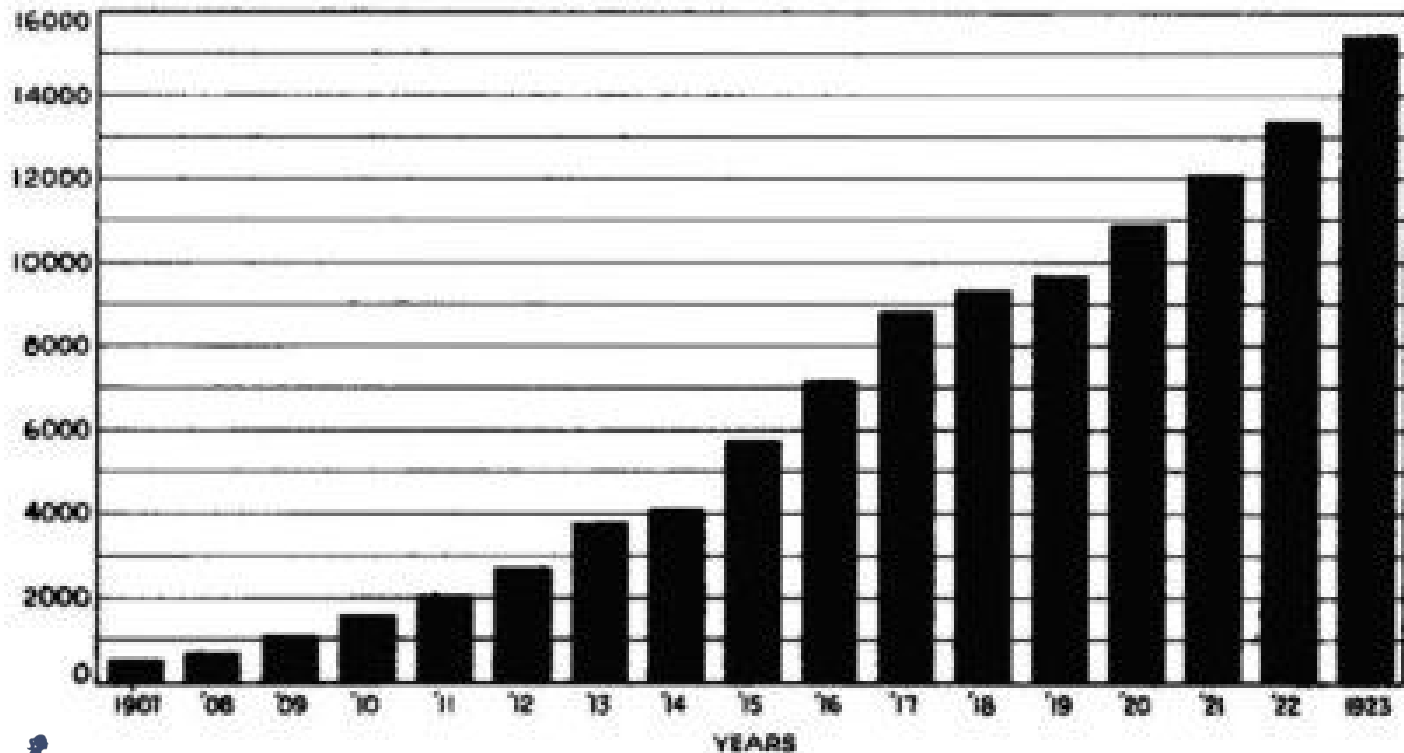


Safety

Non-Motorized Crash Trends



GROWTH IN NUMBER OF AUTOMOBILE FATALITIES IN THE UNITED STATES

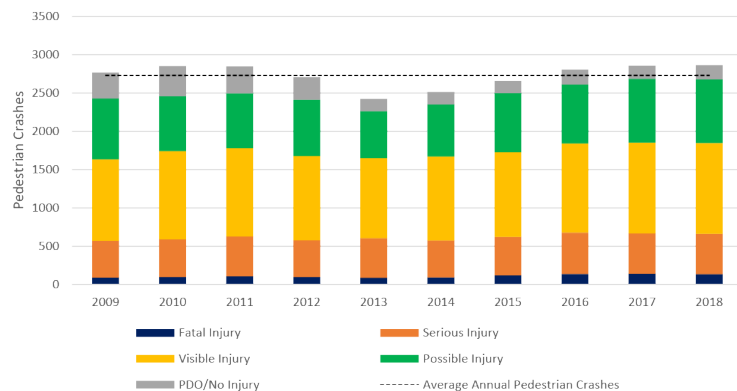


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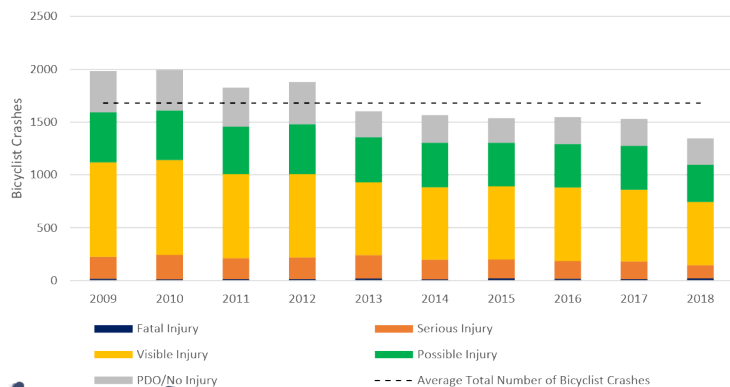
Non-Motorized Crash Trends



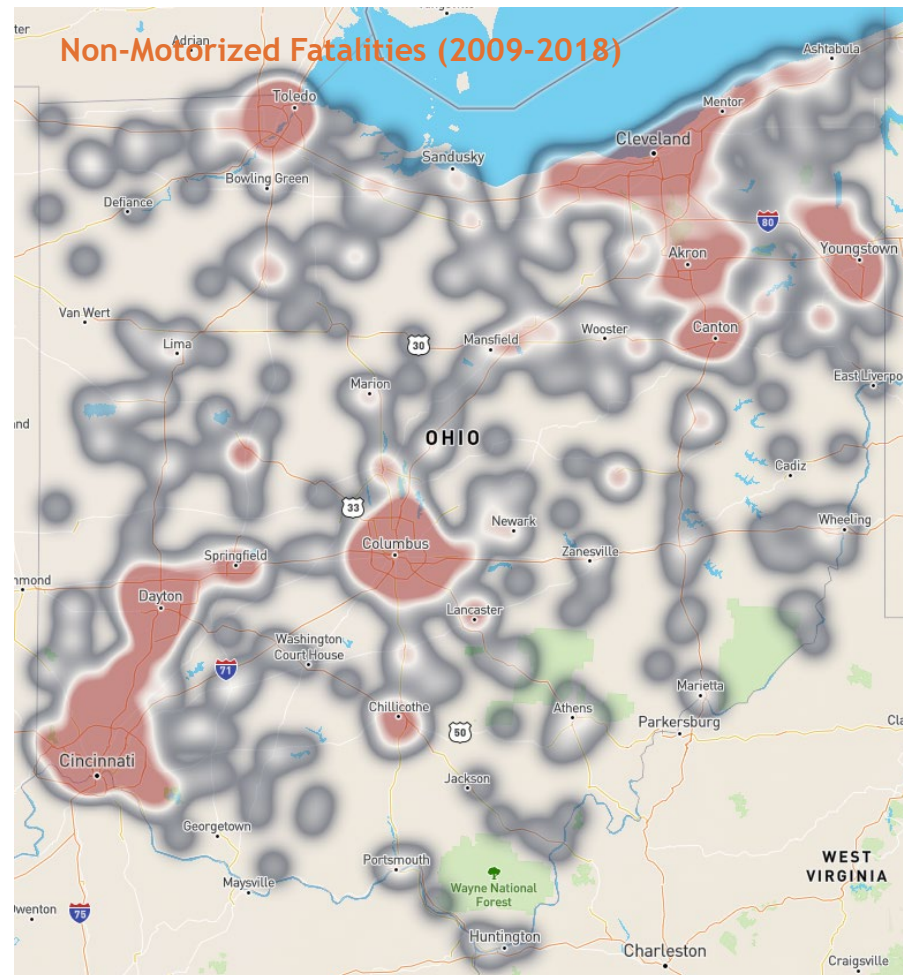
Overall Pedestrian Crash Trends: Ohio 2009-2018



Overall Bicyclist Crash Trends: Ohio 2009-2018

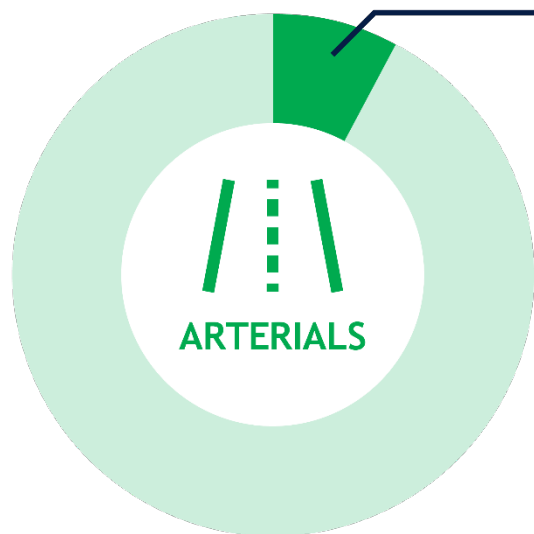


Non-Motorized Fatalities (2009-2018)



Safety

Arterial Roadways



8%
of the total
roadway network



46%
all bicycle fatal
or severe injuries



56%
all pedestrian fatal
or severe injuries

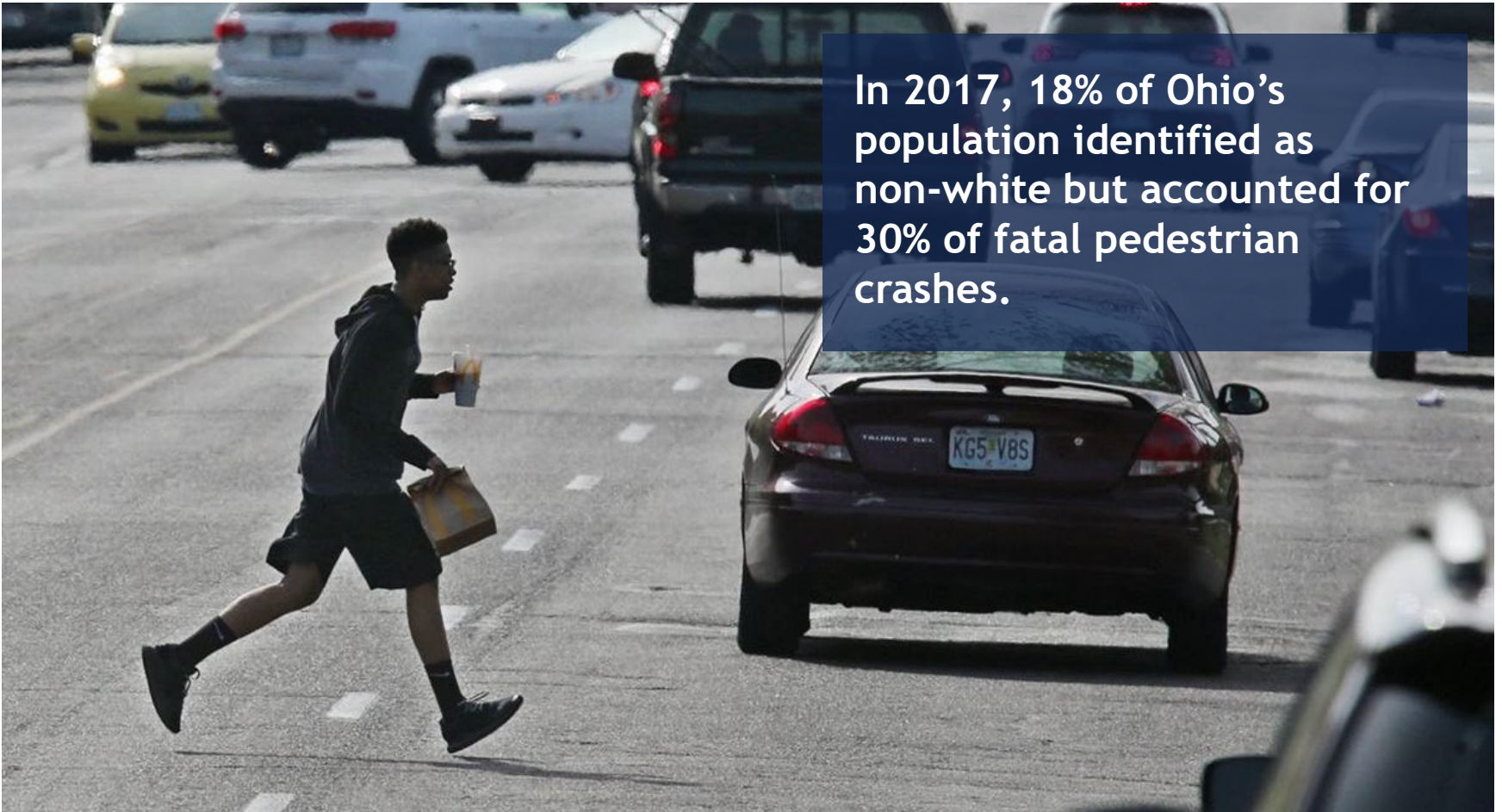


Equity

Barriers



In 2017, 18% of Ohio's population identified as non-white but accounted for 30% of fatal pedestrian crashes.



Equity

Gender



Only 24% of bicycle trips taken in the United States in 2009 were taken by female riders.

Almost half of women reported nearby car traffic is a major reason they do not bike.

(OSU)



Network Utilization

Mode Share



0.3%

bike to work



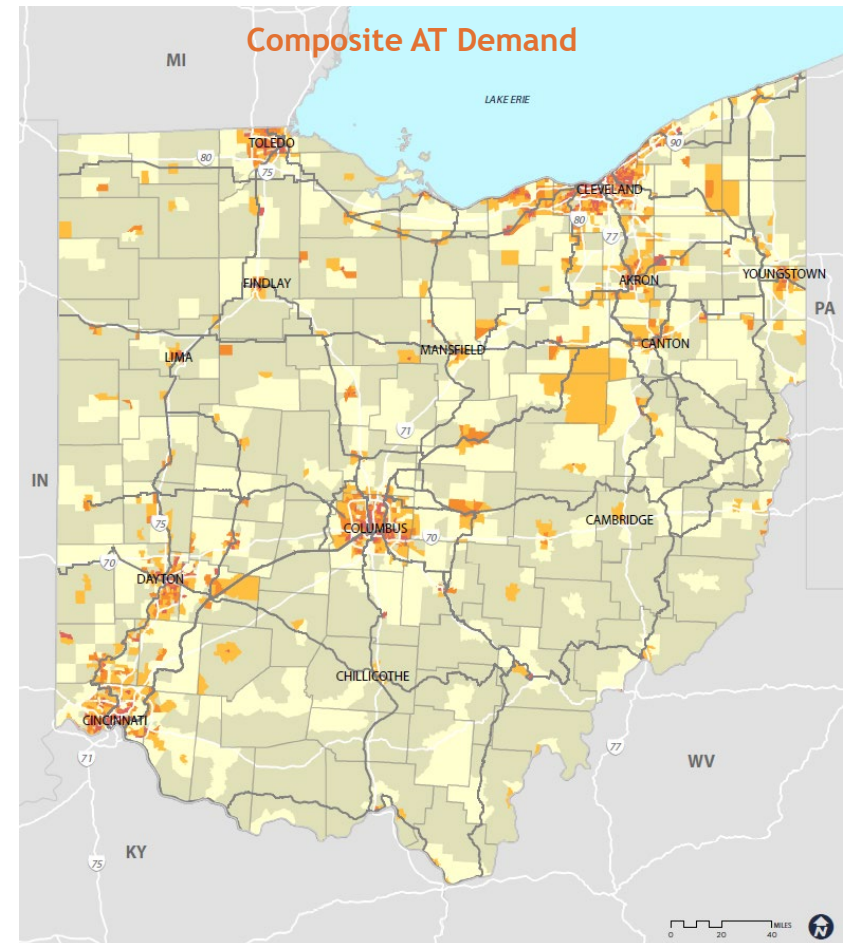
2.3%

walk to work

28th



in state commute
mode share rankings



Livability

Health outcomes



In 2018, Ohio ranked

40th



for overall health outcomes, and

47th



for health behaviors, which include obesity and physical inactivity

UHF, 2018

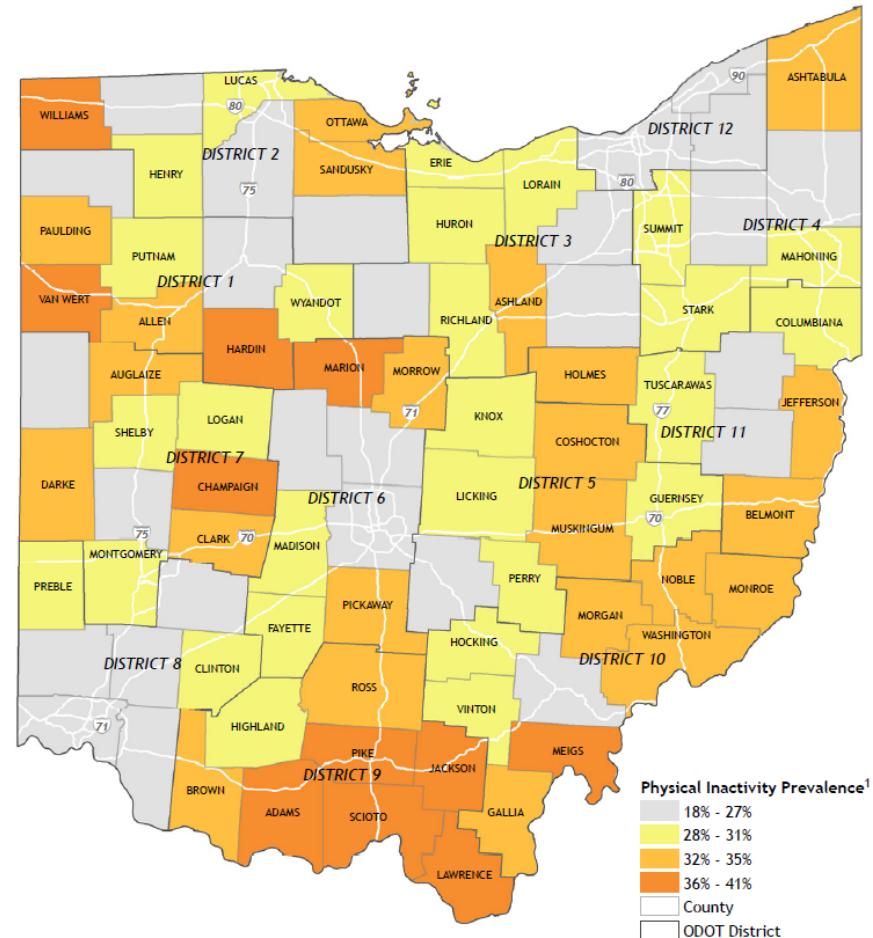
19%



of adults aged 18-64

met federal guidelines for aerobic and muscle-strengthening activity during leisure time

BRFSS, 2017





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The Future of Walking & Biking

Where are we headed?



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Vision & Goals



Walking and biking in Ohio
will be a safe, convenient and
accessible transportation
option for everyone.



Safety

Vision & Goals

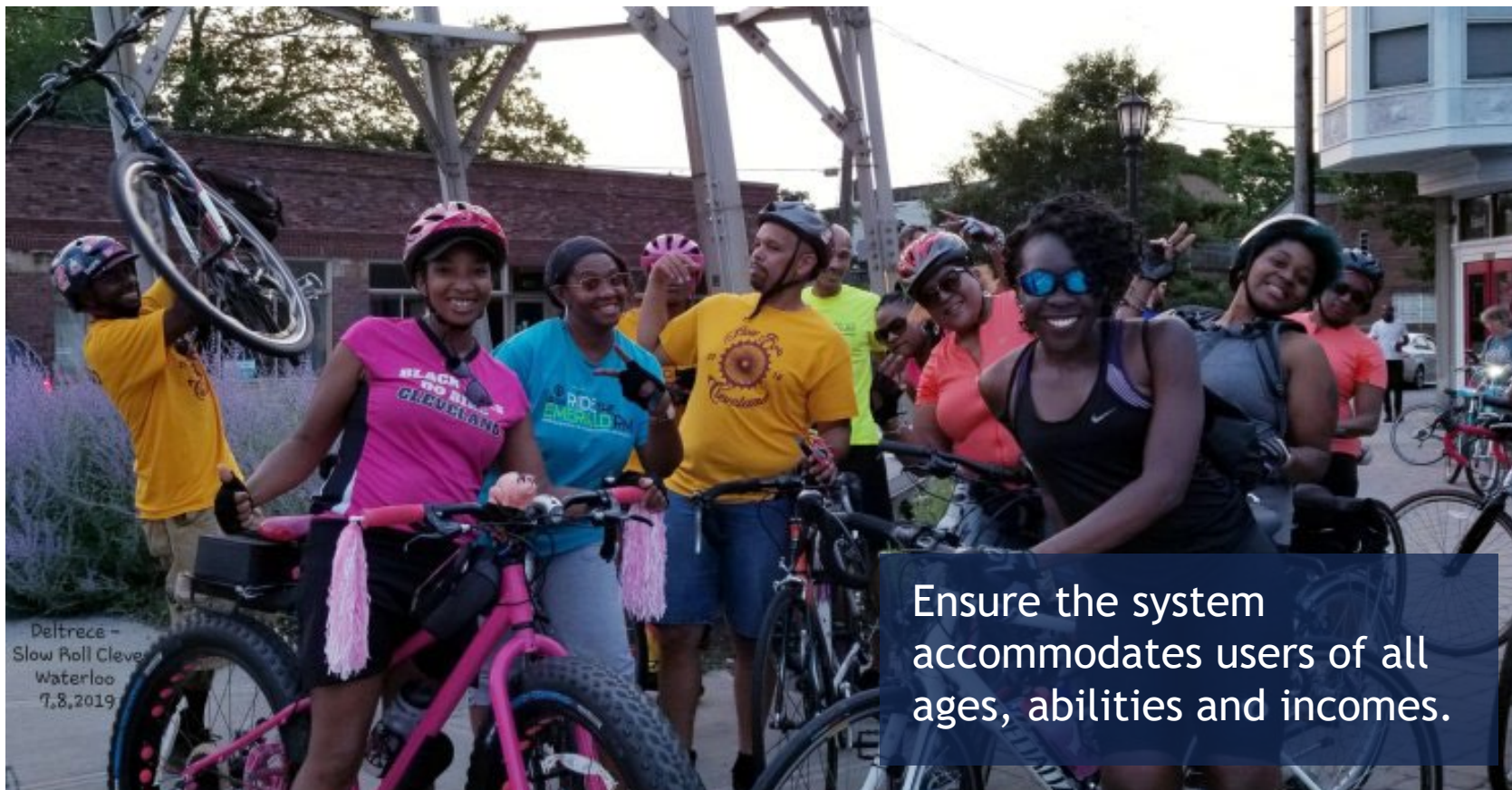


Reduce bicyclist and pedestrian injuries and fatalities.



Equity

Vision & Goals



Network Connectivity

Vision & Goals



I-70/I-71 Long Street Bridge and Cultural Wall



Promote comfortable and continuous bicycle and pedestrian facilities that connect people to destinations.



Livability

Vision & Goals



Improve the quality of life
for all Ohioans.



Preservation

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Ensure critical existing infrastructure is in a state of good repair.



Network Utilization

Vision & Goals



Increase walking and biking usage.





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The Action Plan

How are we going to get there?



Partnerships

Importance of Collaboration



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Purpose and Need



Walk.Bike.Ohio (WBO) is meant to help guide Ohio's long-term walking and biking policies and ODOT's **short-term activities**.



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Themes



THEME 1: Planning
& Guidance



THEME 2: Implementation



THEME 3: Education &
Promotion



THEME 4: Data



THEME 5: Collaboration





Planning & Guidance

Develop statewide, regional, local, and corridor planning initiatives that identify the needs of users and develop equitable recommendations across Ohio.

Establish policy recommendations such as standard operating procedures, legislation, and strategies that ensure bicycling and walking needs are addressed and improve quality of life for all Ohioans.



STRATEGIES:

- **Develop and adopt multimodal planning, design, implementation guidance.**
- **Seek opportunities to support bicycle and pedestrian facility maintenance.**
- **Develop clear, consistent and meaningful evaluation metrics and monitor performance.**





Implementation

Identify and develop programmatic allocations of federal, state, and local resources for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, staffing, and programs.

Establish a project scoping and design toolbox for bicycle and pedestrian project implementation.



STRATEGIES:

- **Assist local communities in project development and implementation.**
- **Implement US and State Bike Route System.**
- **Support regional, cross-jurisdictional AT project implementation.**





Education & Promotion

Educate and inform roadway users, elected officials, and practitioners, on bicycling and walking matters.

Develop activities to promote walking and biking as safe, fun and healthy modes of transportation.

STRATEGIES:

- **Develop educational materials for roadway users on rights and responsibilities impacting people walking and biking.**
- **Educate elected officials at all levels about the importance of a more walkable and bikeable Ohio.**
- **Provide technical assistance and education to practitioners, including planners, engineers, law enforcement, and their partners.**
- **Promote walking and biking as a transportation option.**





Data

Collect and maintain quantitative and qualitative data to inform the decision-making process and develop data standardization.

STRATEGIES:

- **Develop statewide active transportation asset inventory.**
- **Establish active transportation monitoring program.**
- **Expand active transportation safety data collection and analysis.**





Collaboration

Promote partnerships and programs to engage state, regional, and local practitioners and advocates that leverage resources and achieve common goals.



STRATEGIES:

- **Strengthen ongoing collaboration between ODOT and other state agencies.**
- **Strengthen ongoing coordination and collaboration between ODOT and its local partners.**



Final Plan

For more Information



<https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odot/programs/walkbikeohio/walkbikeohioplan>



Tracking Progress

Active Transportation Advisory Committee



<https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odot/programs/walkbikeohio/walkbikeohioplan>





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ODOT Funding Program Update

BIL/ODOT Funding Program Update (9.21.2022)



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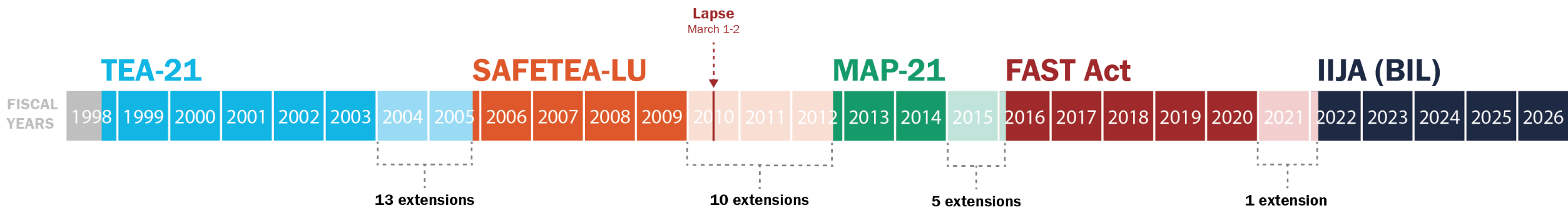
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BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL) OVERVIEW

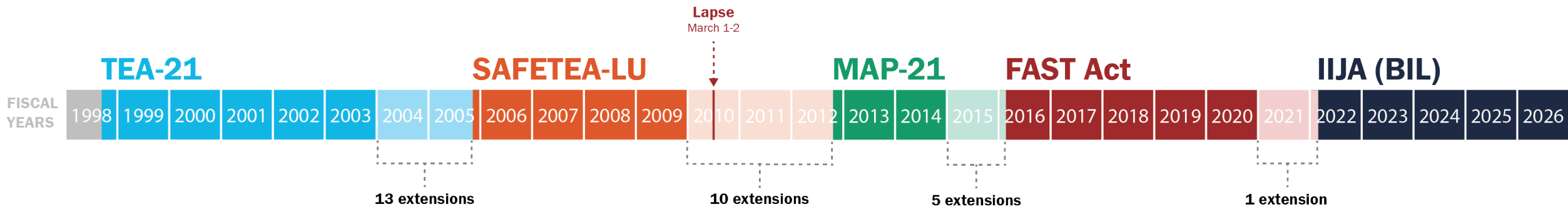
OVERVIEW OF BIL

In the United States, the “federal transportation bill” refers to multi-year funding bills for surface transportation programs passed at the federal level. These have included:



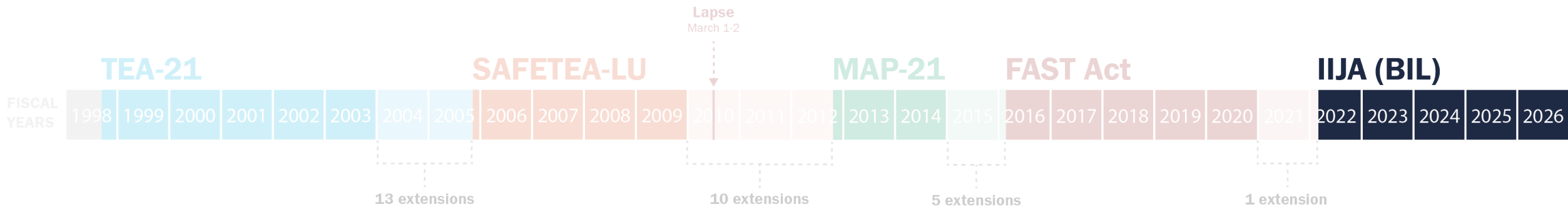
OVERVIEW OF BIL

The federal transportation bill not only impact the availability of federal funding for transportation projects, but also the federal policy surrounding transportation.



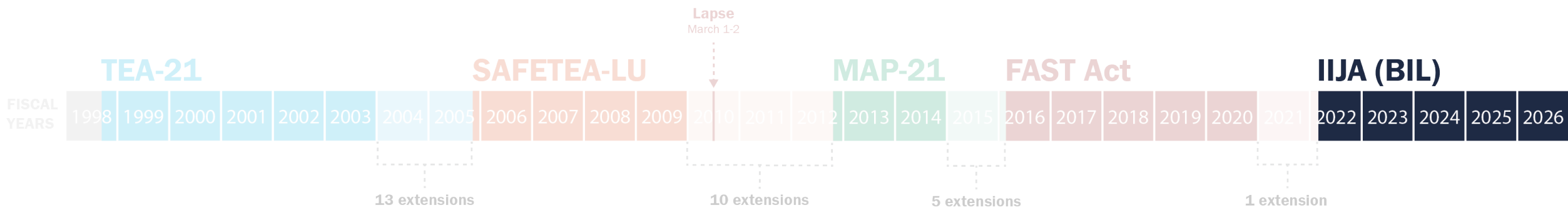
OVERVIEW OF BIL

Signed into Law on November 15th, 2021, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) is a new five-year authorization of the federal Transportation Program (and much more).



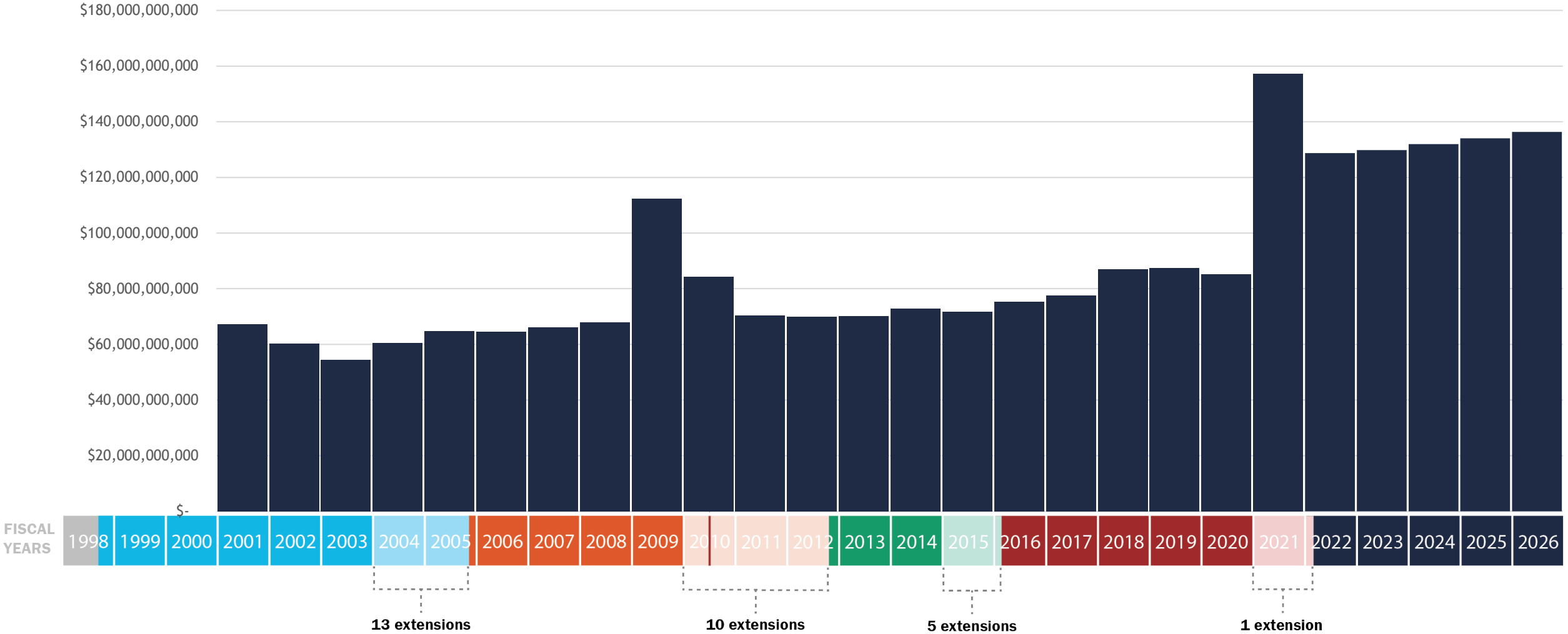
OVERVIEW OF BIL

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) is sometimes referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). IIJA is the same thing as BIL.



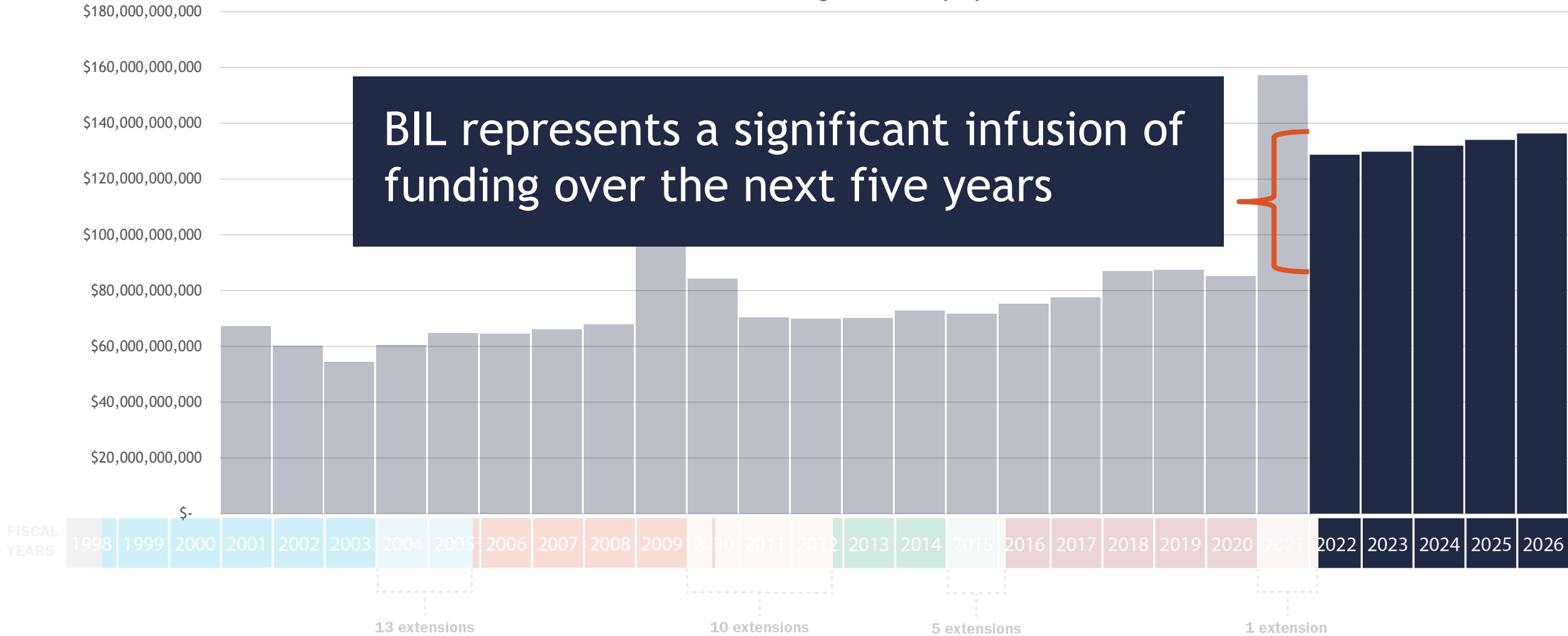
OVERVIEW OF BIL

USDOT Total Budget Authority by Year



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USDOT Total Budget Authority by Year



ODOT - AT RELATED FUNDING PROGRAMS

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MPO & Large City
Capital Program

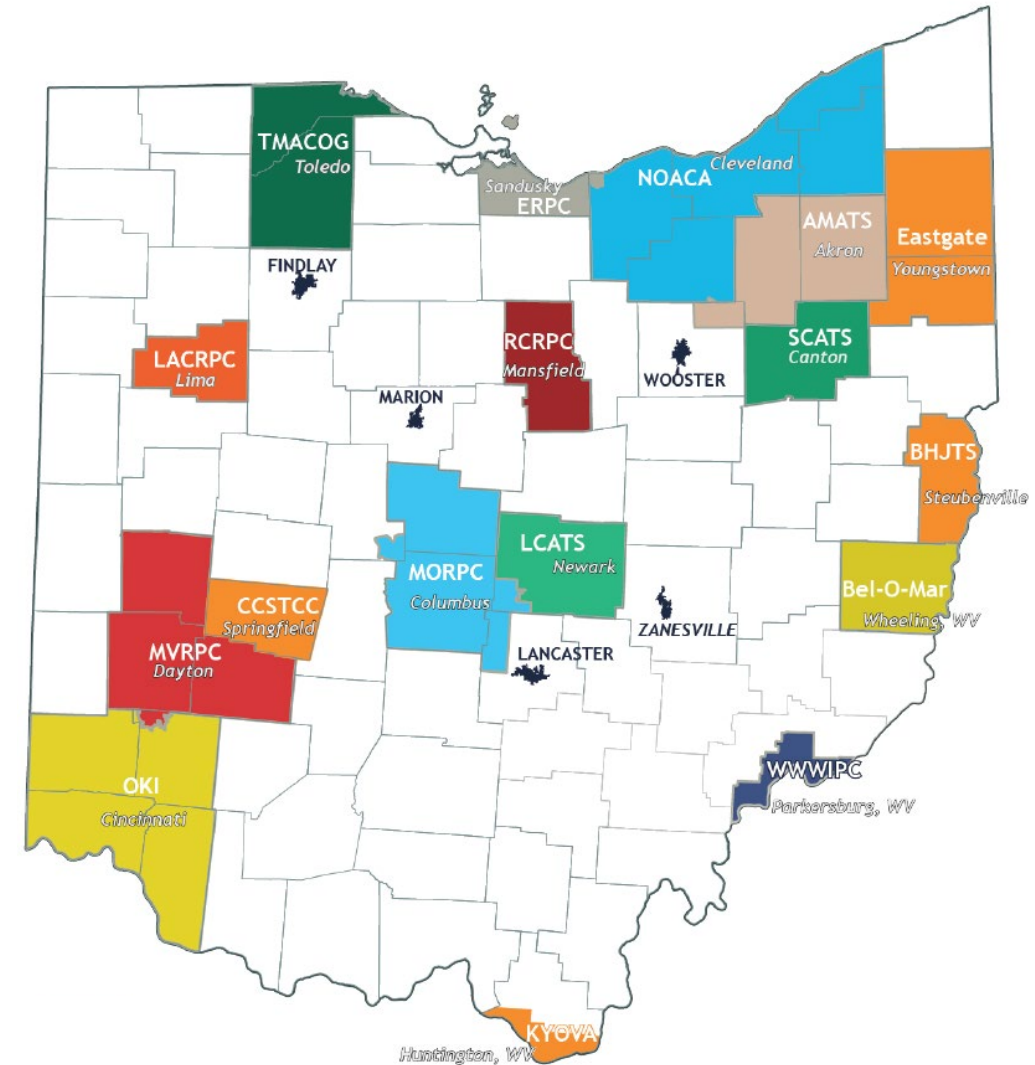
ODOT's
Highway Safety
Improvement
Program

ODOT's
Transportation
Alternatives
Program

Safe Routes To
School program

MPO & LARGE CITY CAPITAL PROGRAM

The MPO & Large City Program allocates capital budgets to each of Ohio's seventeen MPOs and to five large cities, outside MPO areas, to finance multi-modal transportation system improvement projects within Ohio's urban areas.



MPO & LARGE CITY CAPITAL PROGRAM

- **215M -> 270M (25% increase)**
- Includes new allocation of Carbon Reduction Funds for the MPOs
- MPO Policy Boards establish the funding priorities for their respective allocations of STBG, CMAQ, TAP, and CRP.



TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM

ODOT's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) helps fund several project types including pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.

This funding program is solely for those projects sponsored by political subdivisions outside the county boundaries of MPOs.



TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM

- **12M -> 16M (33% increase)**
- Carbon Reduction Funding will be used to increase TAP program thru BIL
- ODOT will be using HSIP to cover the 20% local match for active transportation projects (Construction)



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

The SRTS program provides funding to facilitate the development and implementation of projects and activities that enable and encourage children to walk or bike to school.



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

- 4M -> 5M (25% increase)
- Expansion to include projects that impact students in K-12.
- Increasing the infrastructure cap to \$500K and encouraging that projects are \$300+. *
- Cap non-infrastructure projects at \$60K regardless of school district size (recommendations will remain)*



ODOT'S HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

ODOT's Highway Safety Program provides funds to ODOT District Offices & local governments for highway safety treatments designed to alleviate a safety problem or potentially hazardous situation.



ODOT'S HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- **150M -> 185M (23% increase)**
- BIL mandates that if 15%+ of a State's fatalities VRUS, then that state must allocate 15% of HSIP funding (FY2023) to VRUs. Ohio triggered this rule.
- Increased funding for systemic safety projects.



HSIP Systemic Safety Funding Application Process

Learn how to apply for systemic safety improvements, funding focused on roadway departure issues and pedestrian safety.

HIGHWAY SAFETY

SHARE



HSIP Formal Safety Application

The formal safety application process is for higher-cost, more complex safety improvements that require a more detailed review.

HIGHWAY SAFETY

SHARE



HSIP Abbreviated Safety Funding Application

Learn how to apply for low-cost safety improvements, typically \$500,000 or less.

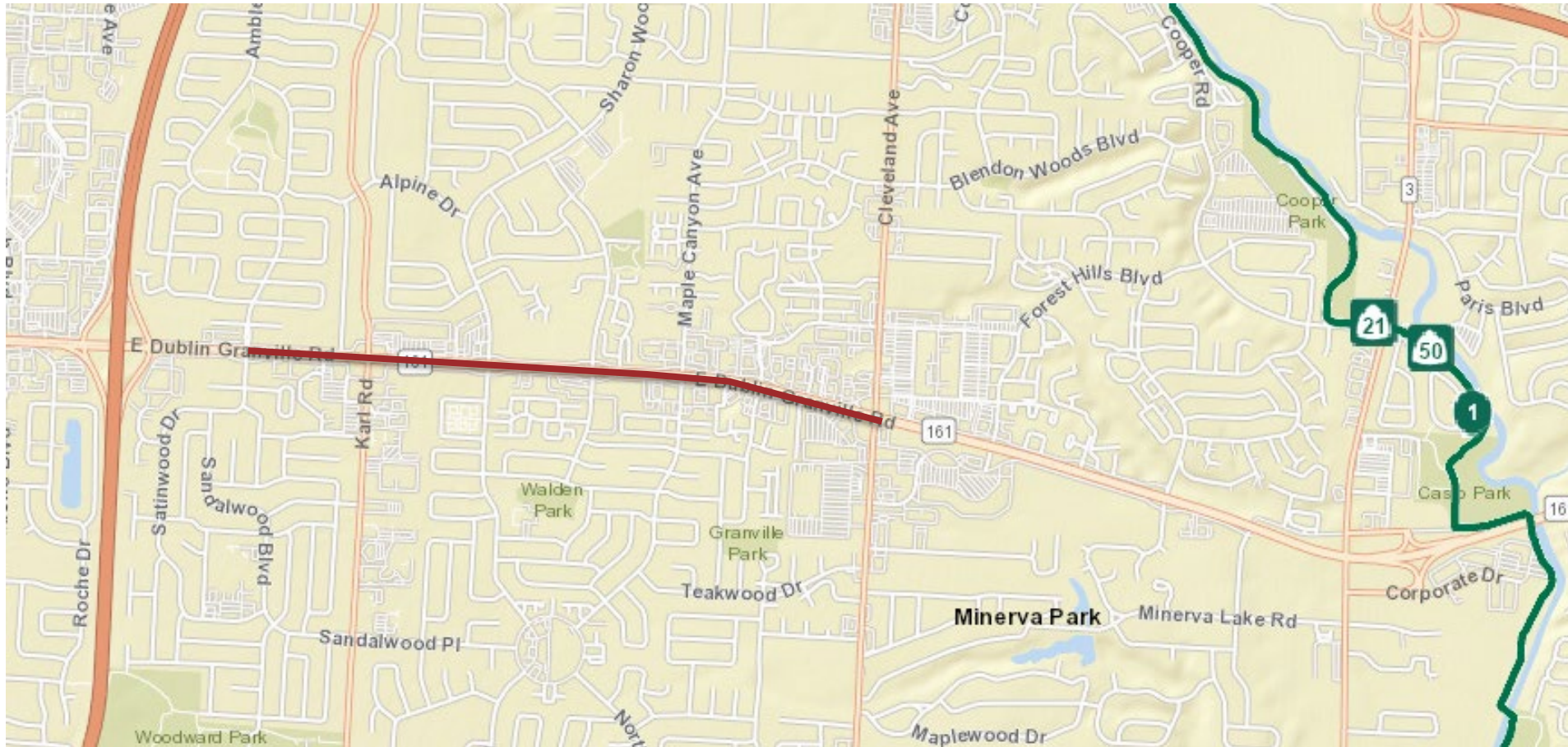
HIGHWAY SAFETY

SHARE

ODOT'S HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



ODOT'S HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



ODOT PROGRAM RESOURCE GUIDE

SAFETY

Yearly Funding: \$158 Million

ODOT RESOURCE GUIDE



An overview of Ohio's transportation-related programs, funding resources and contacts

WINTER 2022



Its critical success factors is safety. The largest Safety Programs in the state are for engineering improvements on Ohio roads. A portion of the funding goes to enforcement programs that can reduce crashes by up to 90% of the cost for preliminary engineering, design, right-of-way, or construction. Consider the safety program. Some projects, such as pavement markings and guardrails, are funded by federal. Safety projects may be funded by state. Priority is given to those projects that have counter measures that match the severity of the crash. Safety projects at locations with high crash rates.



Accompanied by a safety engineer, the program can handle simple projects, \$250,000 or less. The program also has a new systemic safety program. Local governments should discuss appropriate projects with the office to determine the appropriate funding.

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ODOT RESOURCE GUIDE

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS & LARGE CITIES

Yearly Funding: \$211 Million (MPOs & Large Cities combined)

ODOT provides annual capital (construction) budgets for Ohio's 17 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and to five Large Cities outside MPO areas, with populations between 25,000 and 50,000 (see map and contacts on the next pages). The budgets are comprised of three separate federal fund types, as follows:

- **Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)** - Each MPO receives an annual STBG budget allocation for financing multimodal maintenance, operations, capital, and new construction projects.
- **Transportation Alternatives Program (TA)** - MPOs receive annual TA budget allocation, totaling 10% of the STBG budgets. The TA Program finances projects which enhance the historical, cultural, environmental, and pedestrian/bicycle components of regional transportation systems.
- **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ)** MPOs in US EPA-designated air quality areas receive annual CMAQ budgets to finance projects that will reduce transportation sector pollutants.

The MPOs are responsible for establishing and monitoring the development and implementation of annual programs of transportation system improvements for their respective regions. The program's goal is to maximize annual project expenditures and maintain minimal annual budget carryover balances.



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transportation.ohio.gov/funding Keyword: MPO

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SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Yearly Funding: \$4 Million

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM

Yearly Funding: \$11 Million ODOT; \$13 Million MPOs

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) can be used to expand travel choice, strengthen the local economy, improve the quality of life, and protect the environment. The program provides federal funds for projects that advance non-motorized transportation and recreational facilities, including historic transportation preservation.



Transportation Alternatives may fund 80% of eligible costs for construction and/or eligible acquisition activities. The local project sponsor is responsible for the 20% match. Eligible projects may include:

- Bicycle & Pedestrian facilities.
- Safe routes for non-drivers.
- Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors.
- Construction of turnouts, overlooks and viewing areas.
- Environmental Mitigation.
- Preservation of historic transportation facilities and archaeological sites.

For projects within the boundaries of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), contact the MPO directly (use the map & listing on pages 14-15 for details).

Contact: Jeff Shaner, ODOT Local Programs
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transportation.ohio.gov/funding Keyword: TAP



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IMPACT TO DISCRETIONARY GRANTS



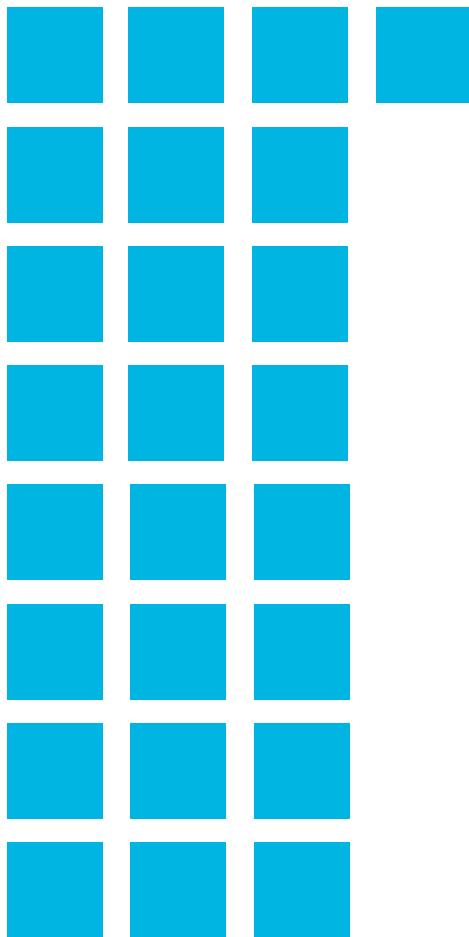
OVERVIEW OF BIL

An estimated 30% of funding authority provided by BIL is for federal discretionary grants.

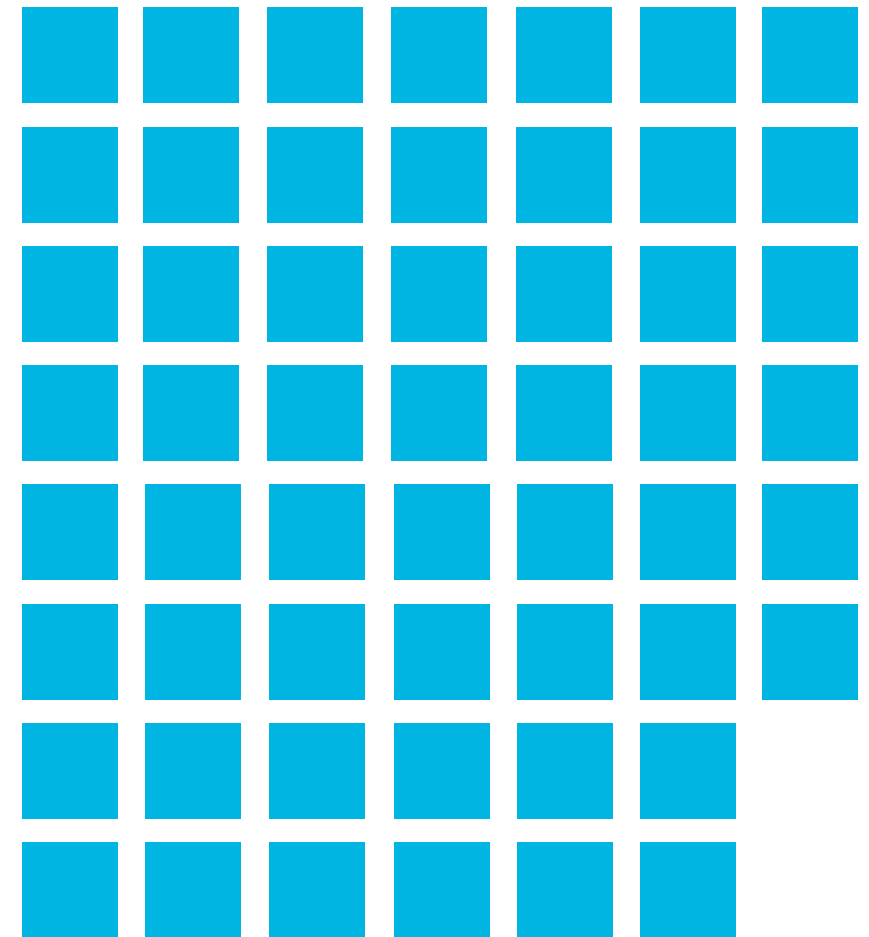


DISCRETIONARY GRANT BACKGROUND

FAST-ACT



IIJA/BIL

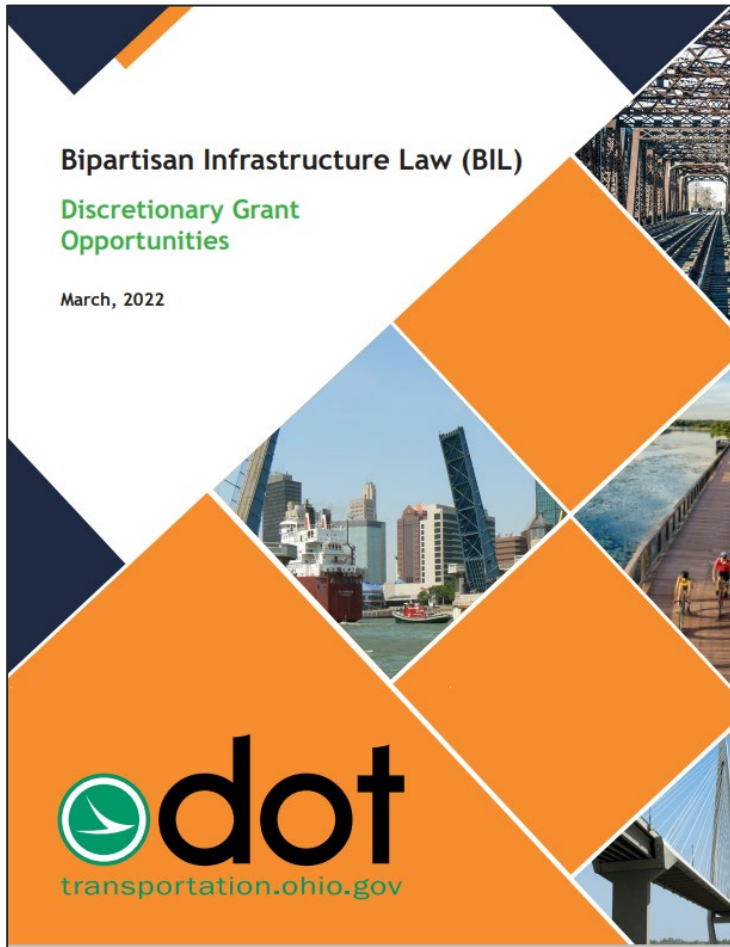


AT RELATED DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

- RAISE
- Safe Streets For All
- Reconnecting Communities
- Active Transportation Investment Program
- Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program
- Neighborhood Access and Equity Grant Program

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
Discretionary Grant Opportunities
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Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant Opportunities
Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)

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Grant	Rebuilding American Infrastructure
Section of BIL	21202
Federal Agency	Office of the Secretary of Transportation
Grant Description	Eligible projects include highway infrastructure projects, and other surface transportation projects.
Set-Aside	Planning Grants - \$75M Per State
Match Requirement	20%
Non-Federal Match	20%
Minimum Award	
Maximum Award	\$25,000,000
Additional Notes	No state can receive more than 10% of the total RAISE funds in the original program to 30% under the current program. *Rural projects do not require a minimum award. 60 days after funds are made available, the deadline can be no more than 270 days after funds are made available. Historically disadvantaged areas match. Not less than 1% of the total award must be for areas of persistent poverty. Rural/Urban awards split 50/50 dividing line.
Schedule	NOFO currently out, applications due May 23rd.
Website	https://www.transportation.gov/grants/bil

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant Opportunities
Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA)

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Grant	Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA)
Section of BIL	11110
Federal Agency	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Grant Description	Highway and freight projects of national or regional significance.
Set-Aside	Small Projects - 15% State Incentives Pilot Program - \$150M
Match Requirement	40%
Non-Federal Match	20%
Minimum Award	\$5,000,000
Maximum Award	
Additional Notes	Multimodal project cap was raised from 10% of the total INFRA funds in the original program to 30% under the current program. A minimum of 25% of large projects and 30% of small projects must be in rural areas. Wildlife crossings, surface transportation improvements functionally connected to an international border crossing, and marine highway projects functionally connected to the National Highway Freight Network were added as eligible projects. Minimum award for a small project is \$5M and minimum for a large project is \$25M.
Schedule	NOFO has been released with applications due May 23rd.
Website	https://www.transportation.gov/grants/infra-grants-program

	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
Appropriated Funding	\$2,275,000,000	\$1,500,000,000			
Subject to Appropriation		\$1,500,000,000			

	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
Appropriated Funding	\$1,640,000,000	\$1,640,000,000	\$1,640,000,000	\$1,540,000,000	\$1,540,000,000
Subject to Appropriation		\$1,100,000,000	\$1,200,000,000	\$1,300,000,000	\$1,400,000,000

Eligible Applicants			
ODOT	x	RTPO	
Large MPO (Population >200,000)	x	All MPO	
Unit of Local Government	x	Political Subdivision of the State	x
Public Port Authority	x	Special Purpose District	x
Transit Agency		Regional Transportation Authority	
Nonprofit		Private Sector	

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Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA)
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[Transportation.ohio.gov/bil](https://transportation.ohio.gov/bil)

OTHER PROGRAMS TO LEVERAGE - ODNR

- Clean Ohio Trails Fund

[Clean Ohio Trail Fund \(ohiodnr.gov\)](https://ohiodnr.gov/clean-ohio-trail-fund)

- Recreational Trails Program

[Recreational Trails Program | Ohio Department of Natural Resources \(ohiodnr.gov\)](https://ohiodnr.gov/recreational-trails-program)

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS

JUSTICE40

A WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS - ODOT'S HSIP PROGRAM

- Introduced two years ago
- Local match requirement reduced or removed for project sponsors in fiscal distress
- Project scoring incorporates poverty metrics



Severe Crashes in Ohio - 2017-2019

10%

**More serious
injuries and
deaths**

**Poverty rate at or
above**

10%

A person is running across a street, crossing in front of a line of cars. The image is dark blue with a yellow-green border around the text boxes.

Severe Pedestrian Crashes in Ohio – 2017-2019

102%

**More serious
injuries and
deaths**

**Poverty rate at or
above**

10%

JUSTICE 40

- New federal equity initiative

“Justice40 is an opportunity to address gaps in transportation infrastructure and public services by working toward the goal that many of our grants, programs, and initiatives allocate at least 40% of the benefits from federal investments to disadvantaged communities.”

[Justice40 Initiative | US Department of Transportation](#)

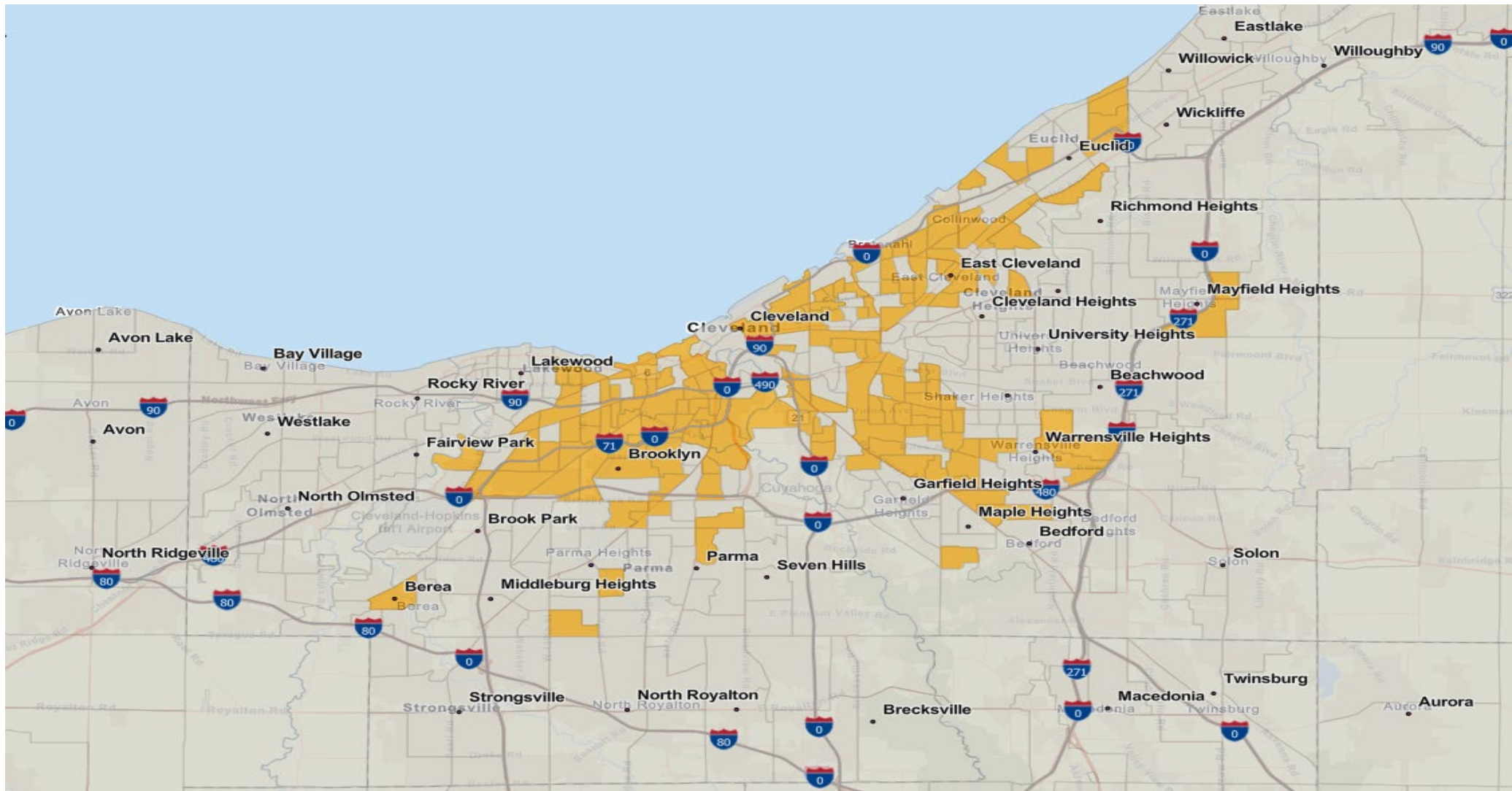
JUSTICE 40 CATEGORIES

- Transportation Access Disadvantages
- Health Disadvantages
- Environmental Disadvantages
- Economic Disadvantages
- Resilience Disadvantages
- Equity Disadvantages

JUSTICE 40 COVERED PROGRAMS

- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program
- Transportation Alternatives (TAP)
- Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)
- Rebuilding America's Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)

JUSTICE 40 TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED TRACKS



WBO CONNECTION

Theme	Strategy
Planning + Guidance	Develop and adopt multimodal planning, design and implementation guidance.
	Seek opportunities to support bicycle and pedestrian facility maintenance.
	Develop clear, consistent and meaningful evaluation metrics and monitor performance.
Education + Promotion	Develop educational materials for roadway users on rights and responsibilities impacting people walking and biking.
	Educate elected officials at all levels about the importance of a more walkable and bikeable Ohio.
	Provide technical assistance and education to practitioners, including planners, engineers, law enforcement and their partners.
	Promote walking and biking as a transportation option.
Implementation	Assist local communities in project development and implementation.
	Implement State and U.S. Bike Route System.
	Support regional, cross-jurisdictional active transportation project implementation.
Data	Develop statewide active transportation asset inventory.
	Establish active transportation monitoring program.
	Expand active transportation safety data collection and analysis.
Collaboration	Strengthen ongoing collaboration between ODOT and other state agencies.
	Strengthen ongoing coordination and collaboration between ODOT and its local partners.

One of the primary ways ODOT assists local communities in project development and implementation is through the provision of funding.

QUESTIONS



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Multimodal Design Guide





Planning & Guidance

Develop statewide, regional, local, and corridor planning initiatives that identify the needs of users and develop equitable recommendations across Ohio.

Establish policy recommendations such as standard operating procedures, legislation, and strategies that ensure bicycling and walking needs are addressed and improve quality of life for all Ohioans.



STRATEGIES:

- **Develop and adopt multimodal planning, design, implementation guidance.**
- **Seek opportunities to support bicycle and pedestrian facility maintenance.**
- **Develop clear, consistent and meaningful evaluation metrics and monitor performance.**

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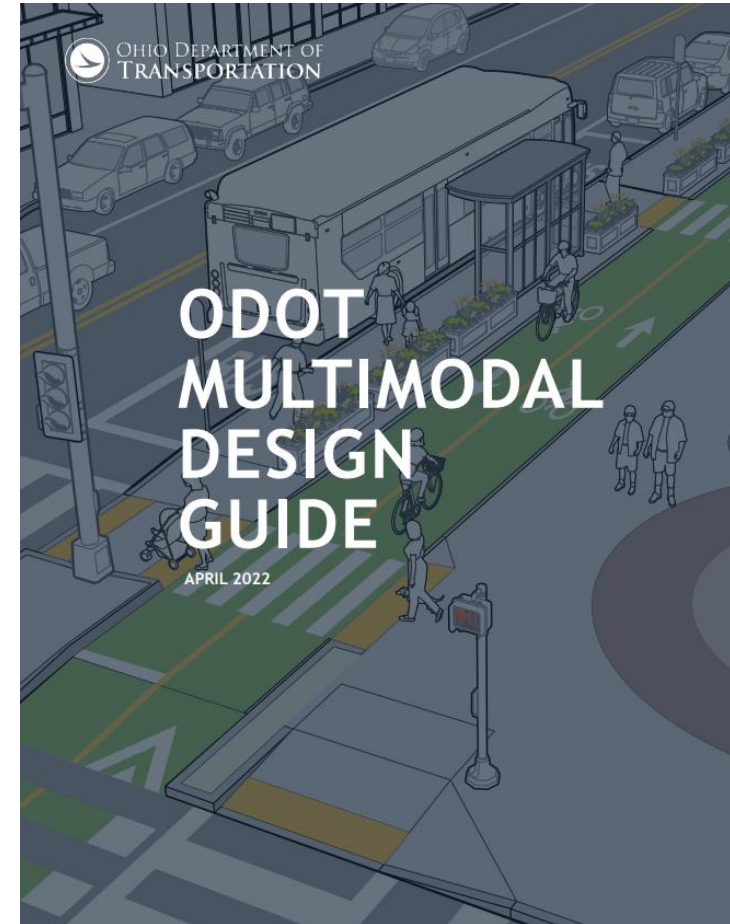
Strategies



Planning + Guidance

Strategy P1: Develop and adopt multimodal planning, design, implementation and guidance.

Action Items	Category	Progress
P1.2: Develop and promote the new ODOT Multimodal Design Guide and provide training.	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Published in April• 101 training videos developed• 201 trainings open for registration soon



What is the Multimodal Design Guide?



1.1 Purpose

The Multimodal Design Guide (MDG) serves as a source for planners and designers implementing pedestrian and bicycle facilities in ODOT right-of-way and as part of the Local Let Process

By providing comprehensive state-of-the-practice design guidance, the MDG aligns with ODOT's current vision, mission, and goals related to walking and bicycling.



What is the MDG?



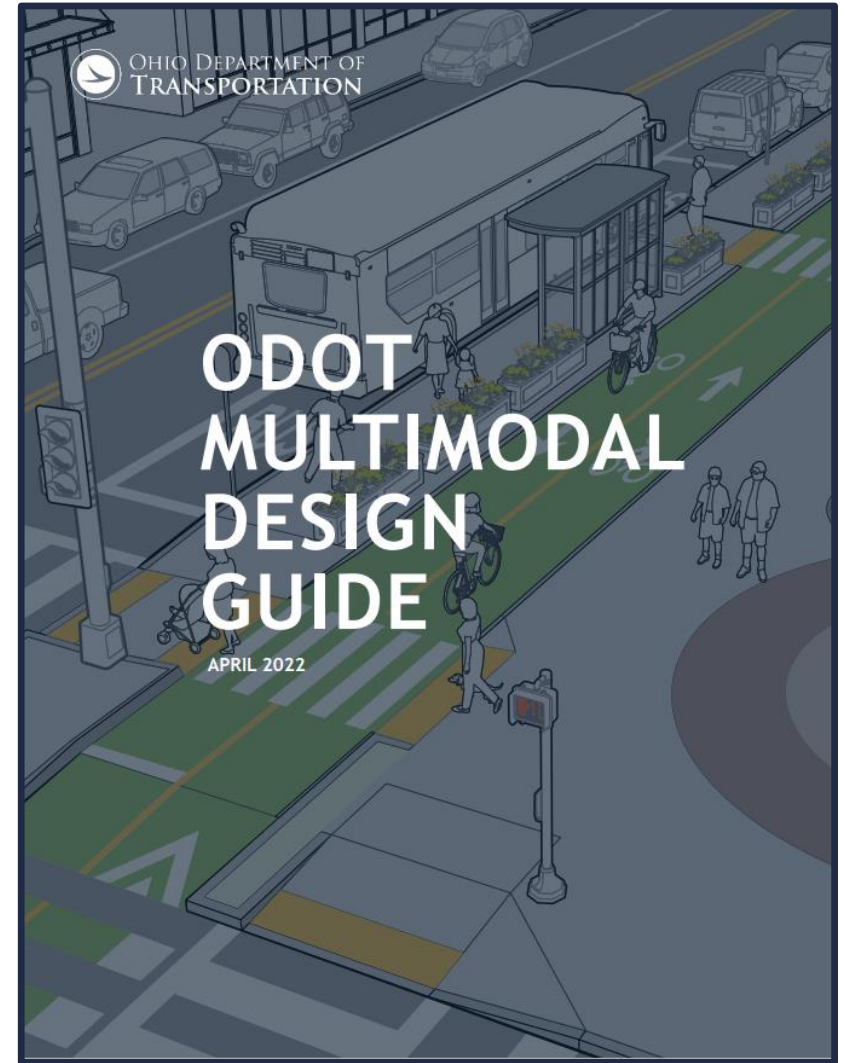
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Built on national best practices



Proven design solutions



Relationship to other Standards & Guides

L&D Vol. I

- 306 Pedestrian Facilities
- 702 Shared Use Paths
- 308 On Road Bicycle Facilities

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How does the MDG help Ohio?



Helping Ohio

- Safer roads for everyone
- Consistent designs



Helping Ohio

Consolidated & Multi-agency resource

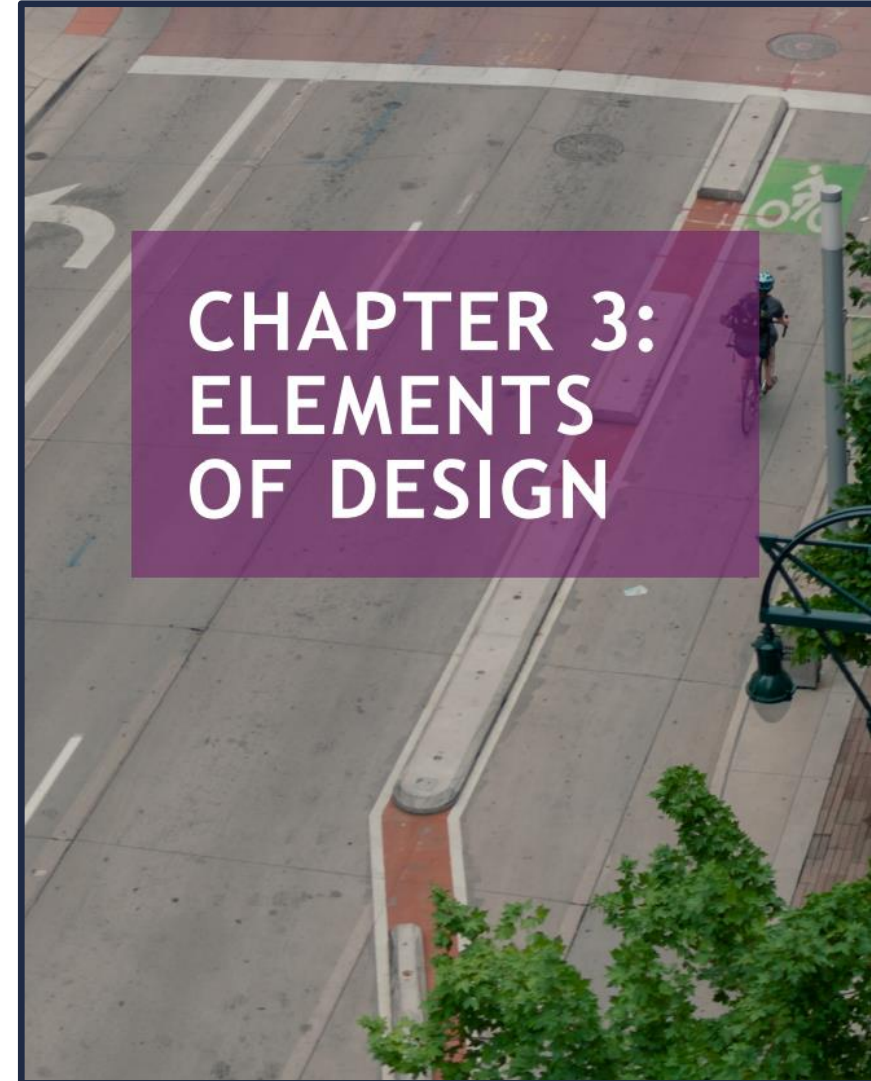


How will the MDG be used?



Using the MDG

- Tool to include vulnerable road users in projects
- Used in combination with other guidance based on
 - Context
 - Funding



Relationship to other Standards & Guides

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Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices



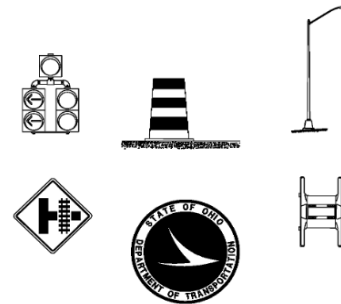
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Section 1.4: Definitions

Chapter 1: Introduction

Examples:

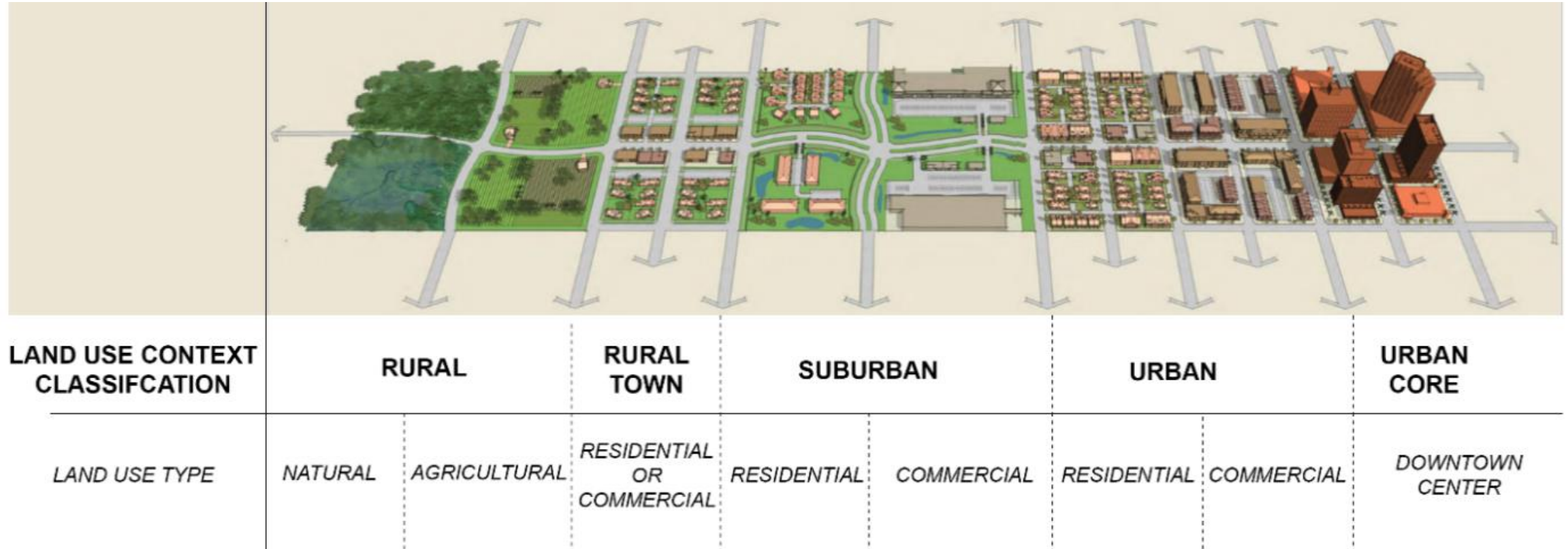
Bikeway – Any road, path, or facility intended for bicycle travel which designates space for bicyclists distinct from motor vehicle traffic. A bikeway does not include shared lanes, sidewalks, signed bicycle routes, or shared lanes with shared lane markings, but does include bicycle boulevards.

Crosswalk – The pedestrian accessible route within a street used to cross a street or portion of a street. Further defined in the *Ohio Revised Code*, Section 4511.01(LL), as (1) that part of a roadway at intersections ordinarily included within the real or projected prolongation of property lines and curb lines or, in the absence of curbs, the edges of the traversable roadway; (2) any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere, distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface; (3) Notwithstanding definitions (1) and (2), there shall not be a crosswalk where local authorities have placed signs indicating no crossing.



2.4 Context Sensitive Design

Chapter 2: Multimodal Planning & Design Scoping Process



Source: Florida DOT Context Classifications Modified by Toole Design



2.5.1 Pedestrian Facilities

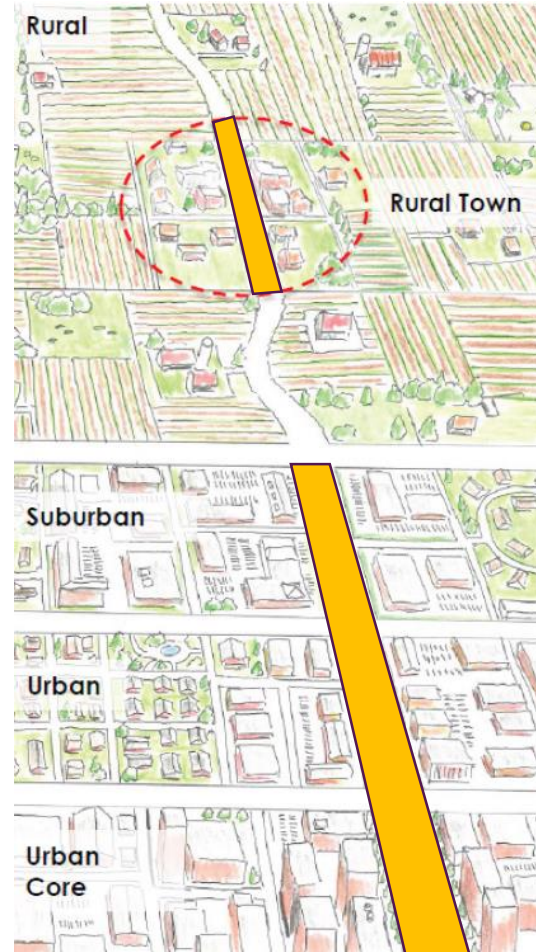
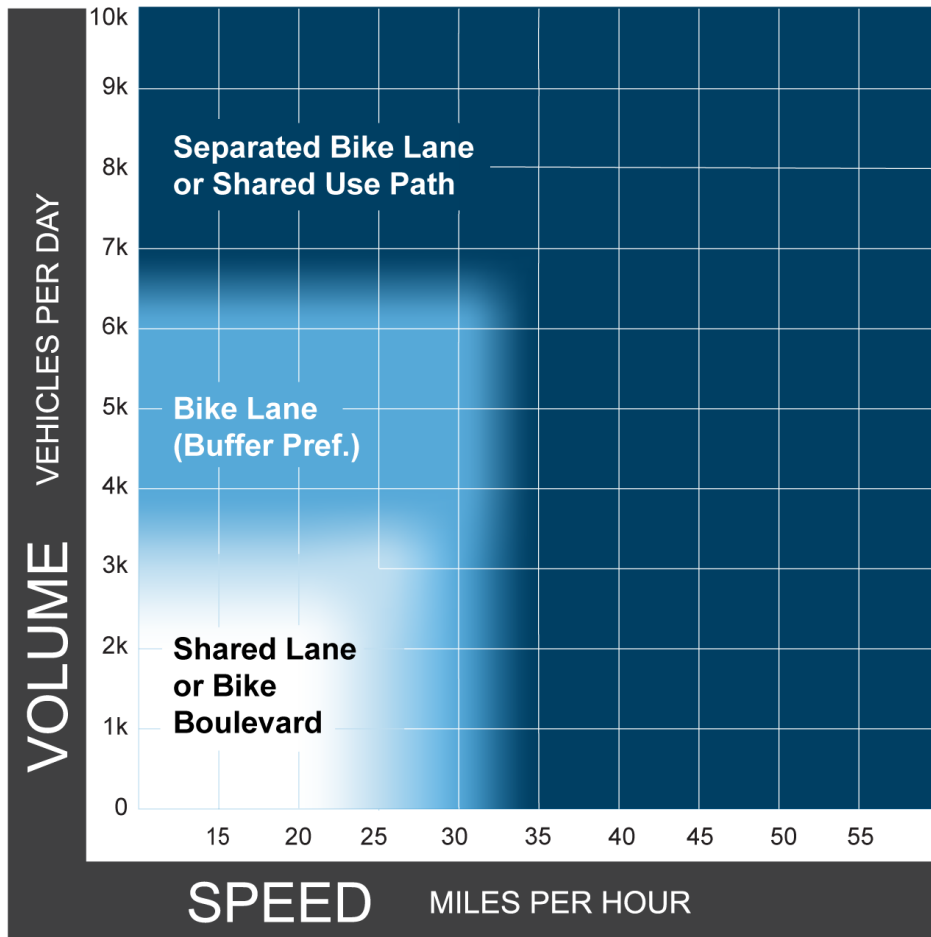
Chapter 2: Multimodal Planning & Design Scoping Process

Land Use Context Classifications	Sidewalk/Walkway
Rural	Paved shoulders
	Shared Streets
	Shared use paths
Suburban	Sidewalks on both sides of the roadway
	Shared use paths
Urban Core, Urban, and Rural Town	Sidewalks on both sides of the roadway
	Shared Streets
	Shared Use Path



2.5.2.1 Preferred Bikeway Type

Urban, Urban Core, Suburban, and Rural Town Contexts



Design User Assumption:
Interested But Concerned Bicyclist

Analysis: Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress (LTS)

Notes

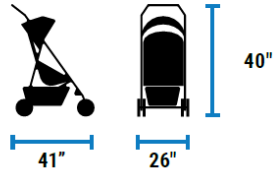
1. Chart assumes operating speeds are similar to posted speeds. If they differ, use operating speed rather than posted speed.
2. See Section 2.8.1 for a discussion of alternatives if the preferred bikeway type is not feasible.



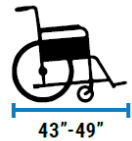
3.2.2 Devices

Chapter 3: Elements of Design

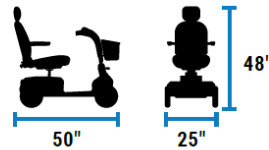
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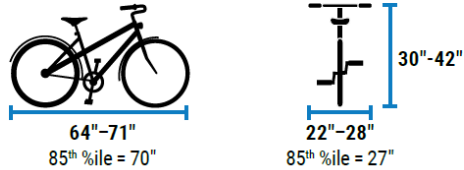
Wheelchair



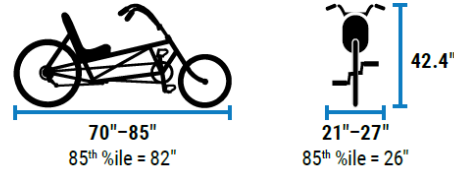
Electric Mobility Scooter



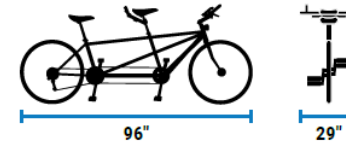
Adult Typical Bicycle



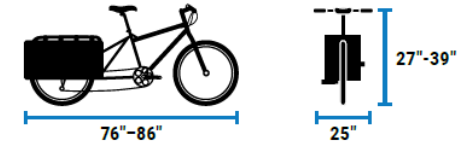
Adult Single Recumbent Bicycle



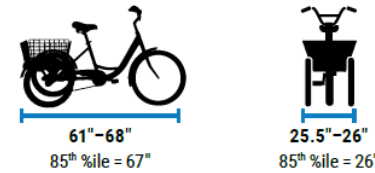
Adult Tandem Bicycle



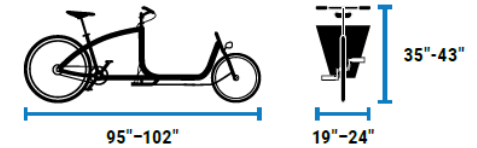
Adult Longtail Cargo Bicycle



Adult Tricycle



Adult Box Bicycle



Child Trailer

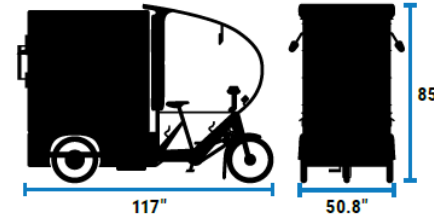


Trailer Bicycle

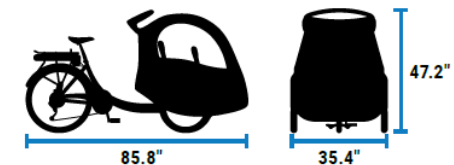


*note: some cargo trailers can be up to 48" wide

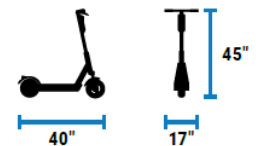
E-Assist Delivery Trike



Adult Cargo Bike



Electric Scooter

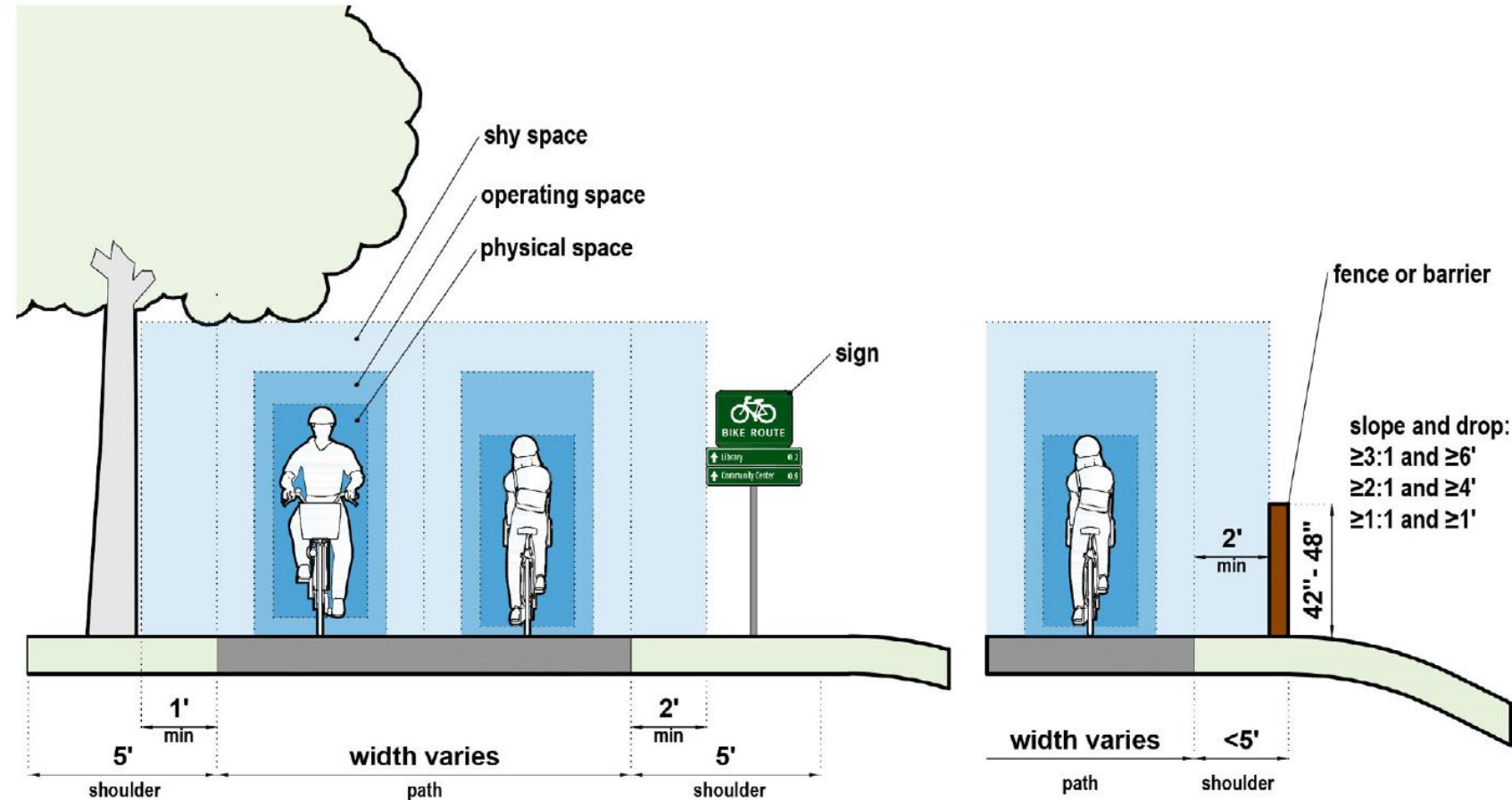


5.3.1 Width & Clearances

Chapter 5: Shared Use Paths

Shoulder Design Criteria:

- Width ≥ 5 ft.
- Cross Slope 6:1 max
- Shy Space per Table 3.13



5.3.1 Width & Clearances

Chapter 5: Shared Use Paths

Table 5-1: Shared Use Path Widths for Anticipated Peak Hour Volumes

Shared Use Path Operating Widths			
Minimum (ft)	SUPLOS "C" Peak Hour Volumes at Preferable Width	Constrained (ft)	SUPLOS "D" Peak Hour Volumes at Minimum Width
10 – 12	150 - 300	8	50
12 – 15	300 - 500	11	400
16 – ≥20	500 - ≥600	15	600



5.6 Shared Use Path Intersection Design

Chapter 5: Shared Use Paths

There are three primary design objectives:

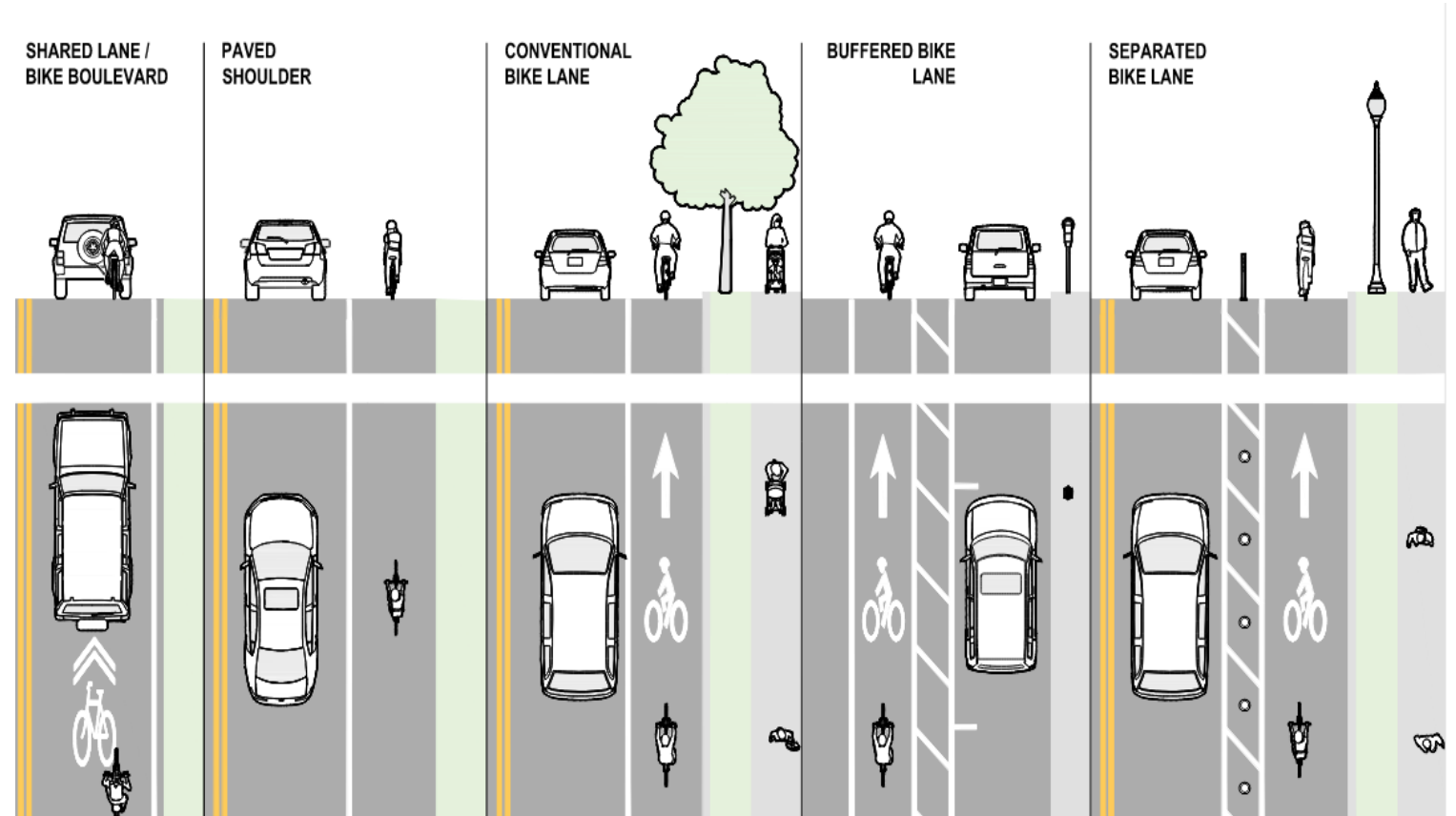
- Alert the motorists and path users to the crossing
- Communicate who has the obligation to yield to whom
- Enable the motorists and/ or path users to fulfill their obligations



6.3 On Road Bicycle Facilities

Chapter 6: On-Road Bicycle Facilities

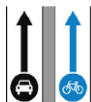
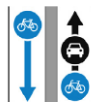
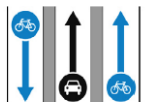

- Bicycle Routes
- Shared Lanes
- Bicycle Boulevards
- Paved Shoulders
- Conventional Bike Lanes
- Buffered Bicycle Lanes
- Raised Bicycle Lanes
- Separated Bicycle Lanes



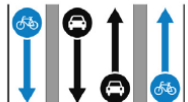

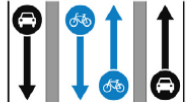
6.3.7. Separated Bicycle Lanes

Chapter 6: On-Road Bicycle Facilities

Configuration on a One-Way Street

	One-way SBL	Counterflow SBL	One-way SBL Plus Counterflow SBL	Two-way SBL
Corridor-level Planning Considerations				
Access to Destinations	Limited access to other side of street		Full access to both sides of street	Limited access to other side of street
Network Connectivity	Does not address demand for counterflow bicycling, may result in wrong way riding	Requires bicyclists traveling in the direction of traffic to share the lane (may result in wrong way riding in the SBL); counterflow progression through signals may be less efficient	Accommodates two-way bicycle travel, but counterflow progression through signals may be less efficient	
Crash Risk	Lower because pedestrians and turning drivers expect concurrent bicycle traffic	Higher because pedestrians and turning drivers may not expect counterflow bicycle traffic		
Intersection Operations	May use existing signal phases; separate bicycle phase may be required depending on vehicle volumes	Typically requires additional signal equipment; separate bicycle phase may be required depending on vehicle volumes		

Configuration on a Two-Way Street

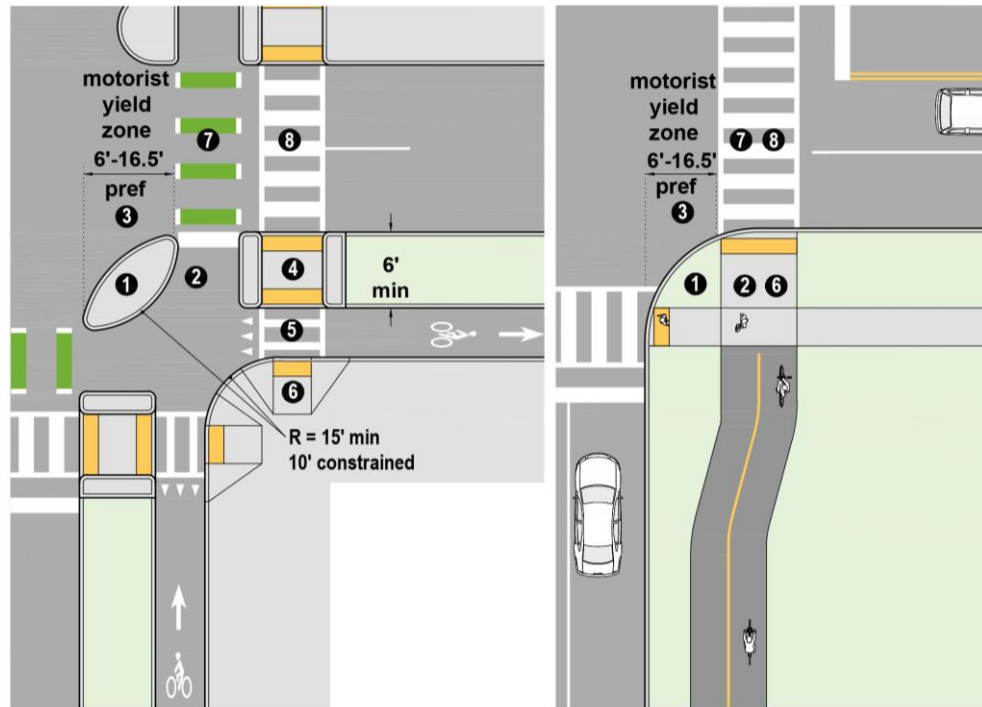
	One-way SBL Pair	Two-way SBL	Median Two-way SBL
Corridor-level Planning Considerations			
Access to Destinations	Full access to both sides of street	Limited access to other side of street	Limited access to both sides of street
Network Connectivity	Accommodates two-way bicycle travel		
Crash Risk	Lower because pedestrians and turning drivers expect concurrent bicycle traffic	Higher because pedestrians and turning drivers may not expect counterflow bicycle traffic	Higher because pedestrians and turning drivers may not expect counterflow bicycle traffic, but median location may improve visibility and create opportunities to separate conflicts
Intersection Operations	May use existing signal phases; separate bicycle phase may be required depending on vehicle volumes	Typically requires additional signal equipment; separate bicycle phase may be required depending on vehicle volumes	



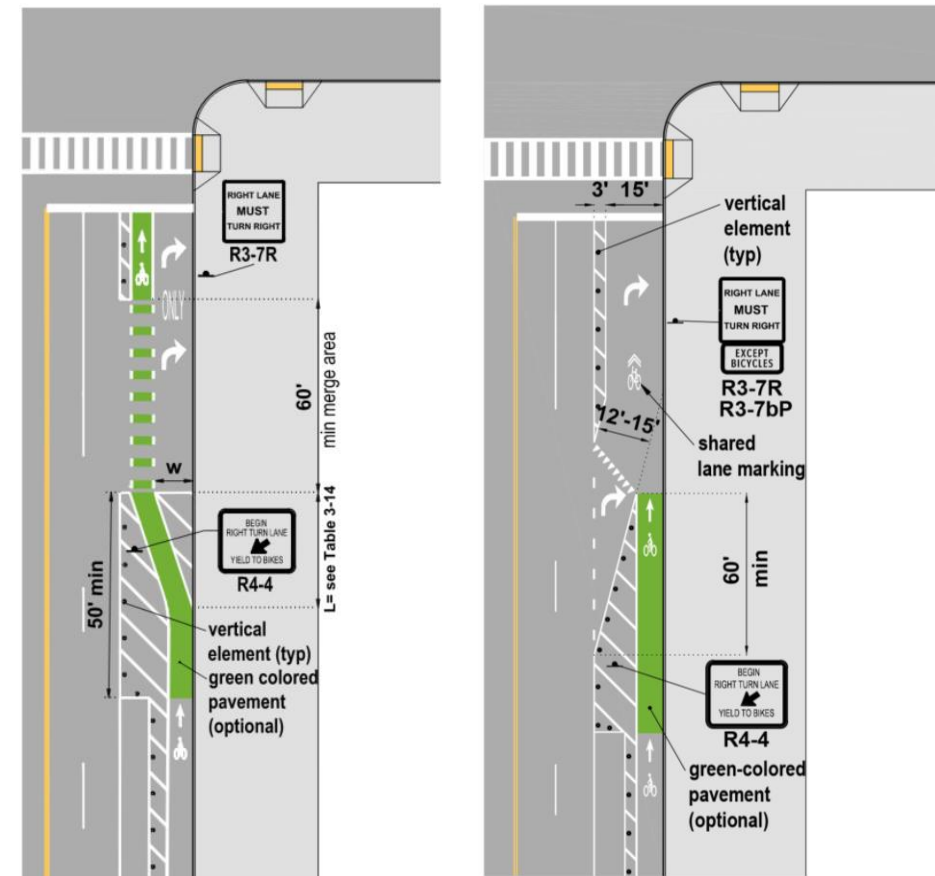
6.5.2 SBL (& Sidepath) Intersection Design

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Protected Intersections Preferred



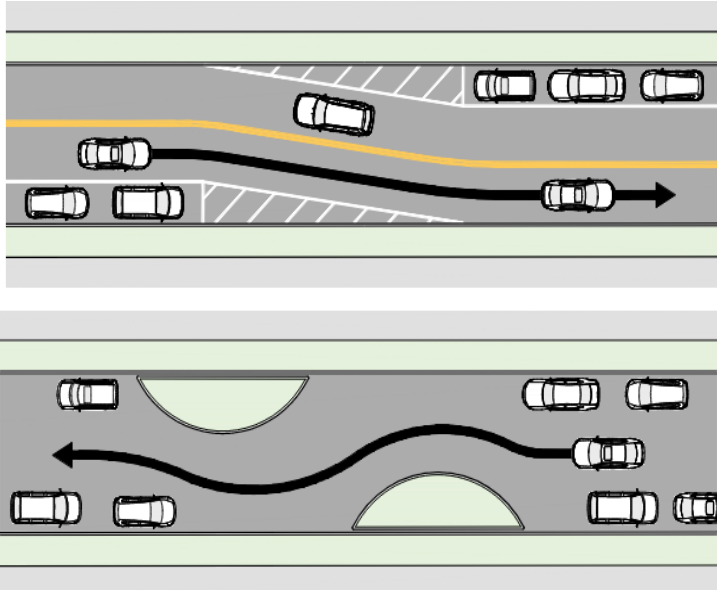
Mixing Zone Options for Constrained Conditions



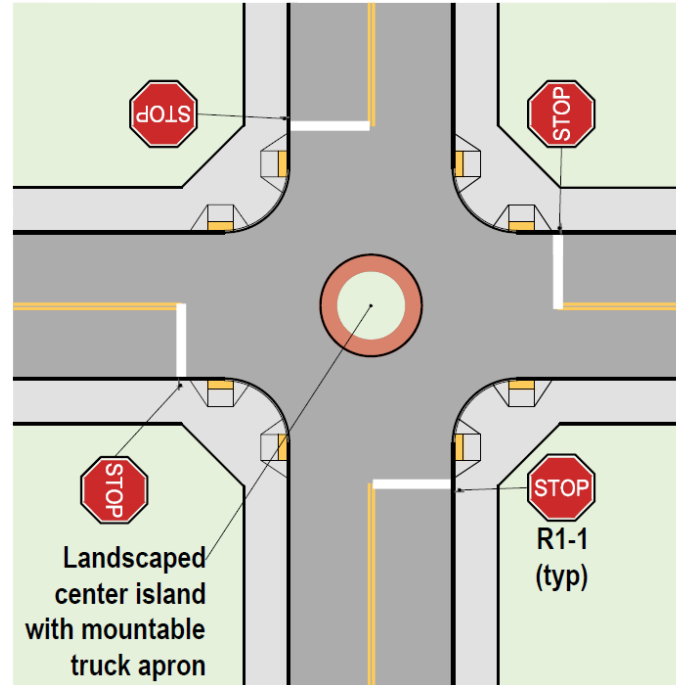
7.8.2 Horizontal Deflection

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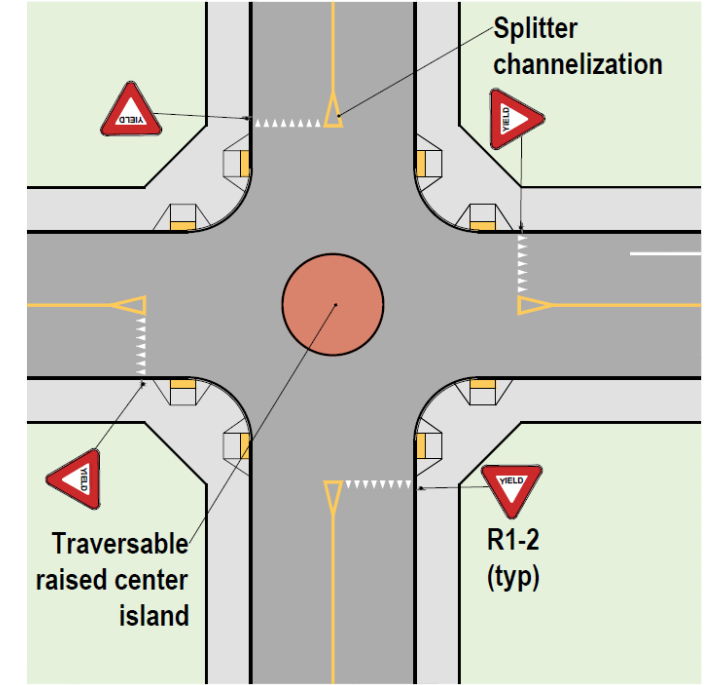
Lateral Shifts & Chicanes



Traffic Circles



Mini- and Modern Roundabouts



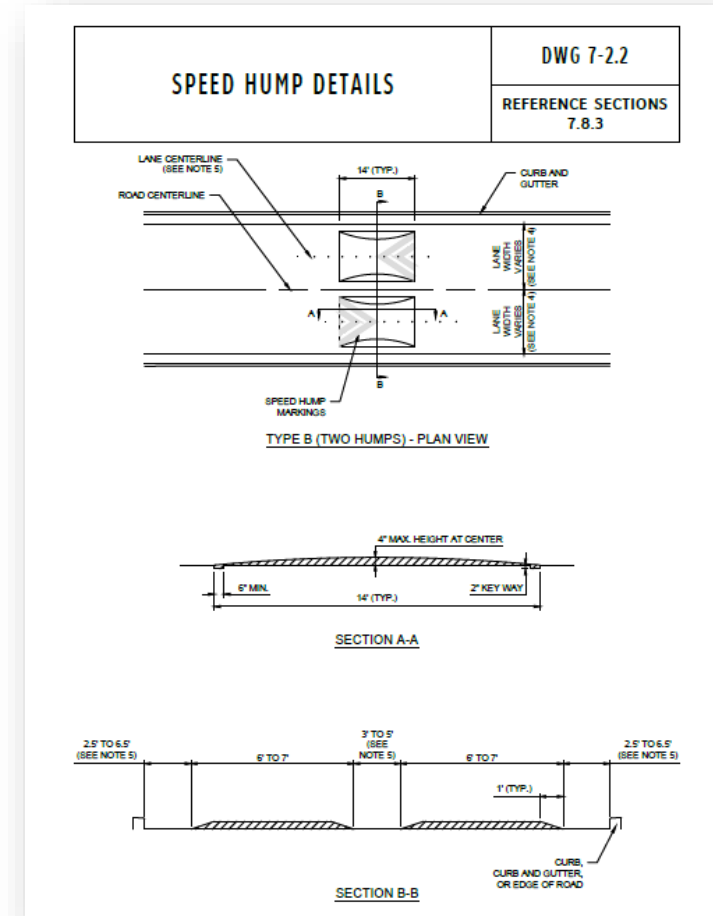
7.8.3 Vertical Deflection

Chapter 7: Motor Vehicle Facilities Supporting Multimodal Accommodation

Vertical deflection as a traffic calming measure is only permitted across local and collector streets where posted speeds are less than 35 mph and where roadway grades do not exceed 8%.

Options include:

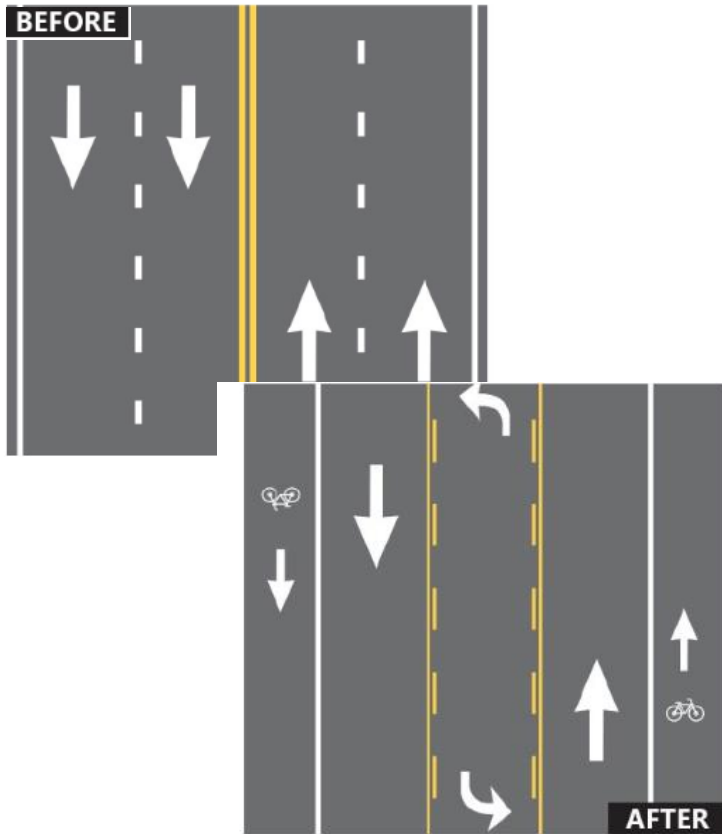
- Speed Humps
- Raised Crossings
- Speed Tables



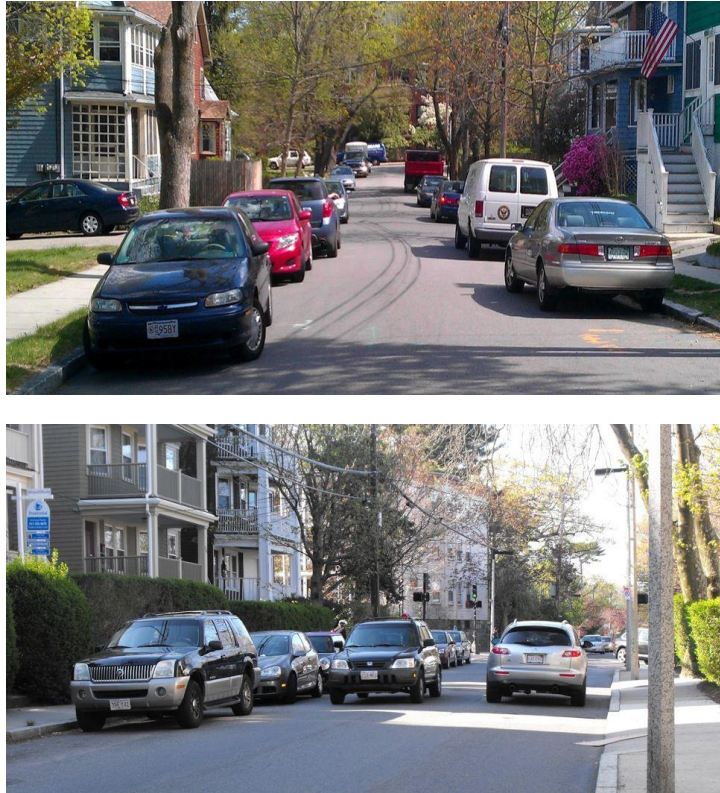
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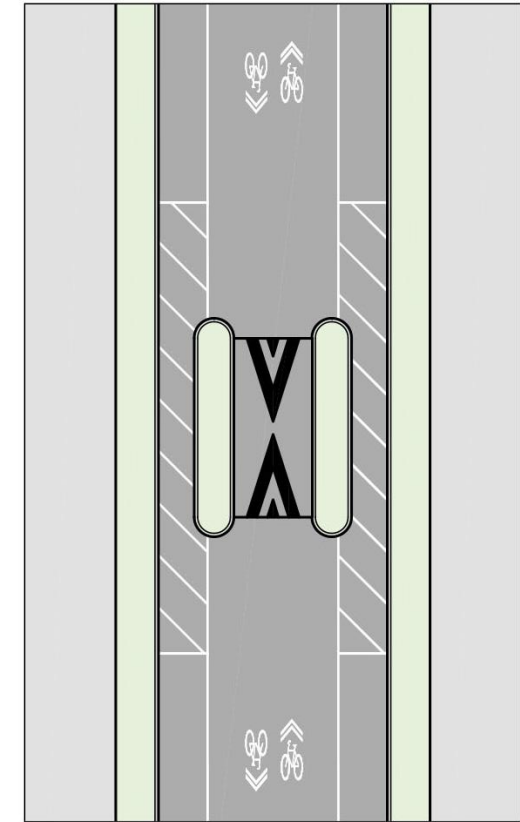
Road Diet



Yield Streets



One-Lane Pinch Points

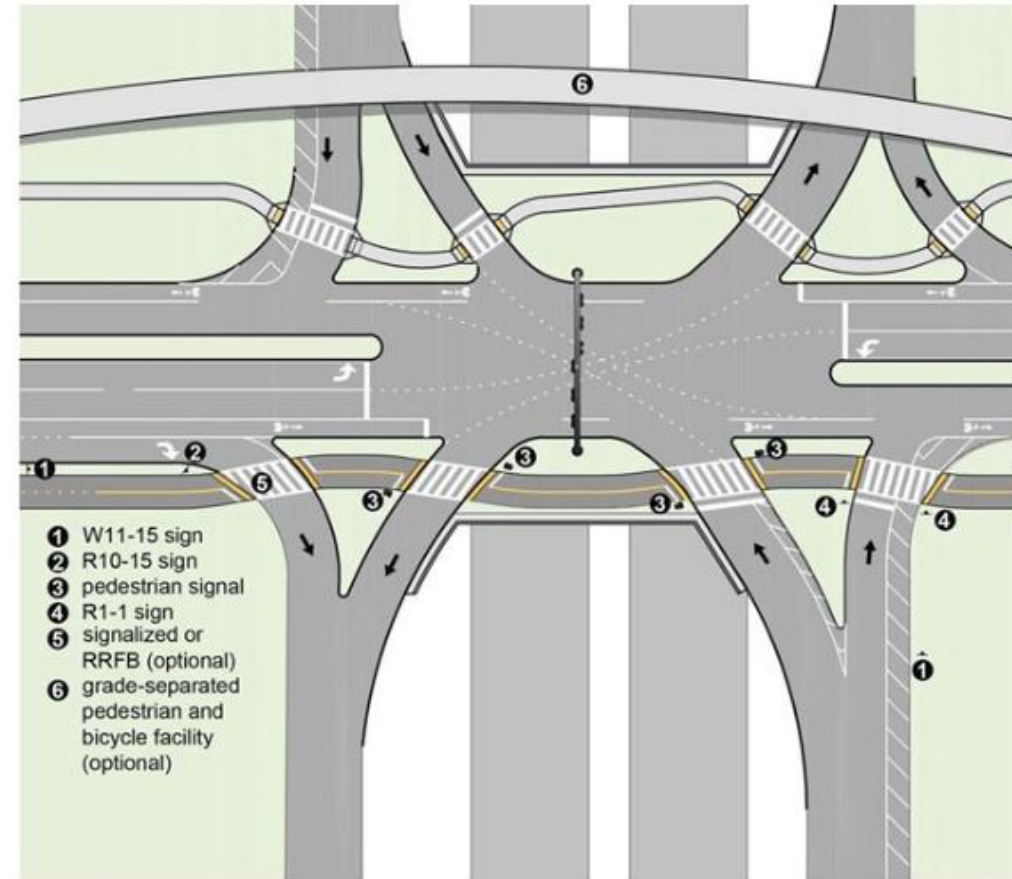


9.3 Interchanges

Chapter 9: Multimodal Accommodations at Interchanges & Intersections

- Diamond Interchanges
- Cloverleaf Interchanges
- Single Point Urban Interchanges (SPUI)
- Diverging Diamond Interchanges (DDI)

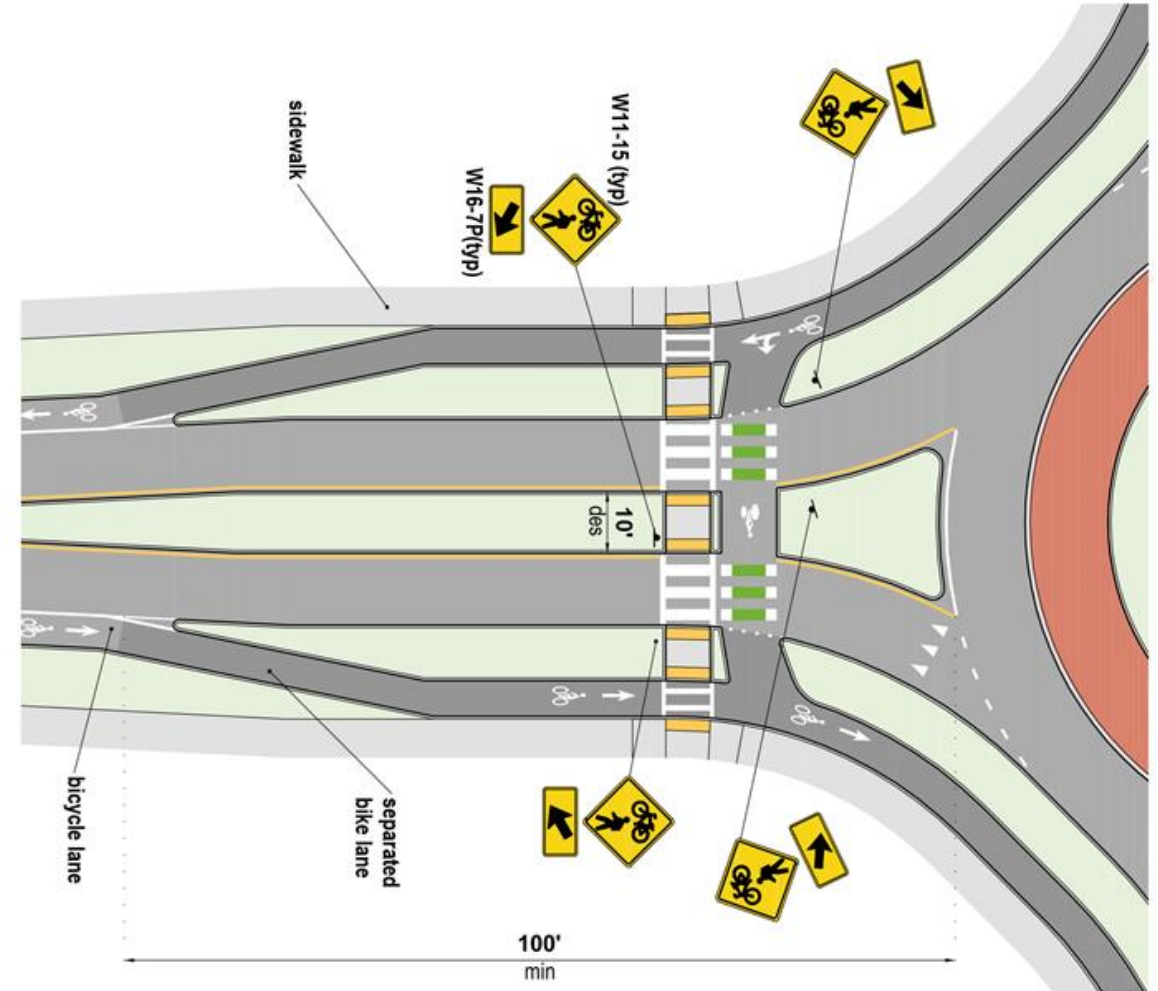
Figure 9-5: Various Bicycle and Pedestrian Treatments at a SPUI



9.4 Alternative Intersections

Chapter 9: Multimodal Accommodations at Interchanges & Intersections

- Median U-Turn (MUT) Intersections
- Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT) Intersections
- Displaced Left Turn (DLT) Intersections
- Roundabout Intersections



Chapter 12: Maintenance

12.2 Management Approaches

12.3 Types of Maintenance

12.4 Winter Maintenance

12.5 Additional Resources



Pickup truck with plow

Approximate Width: 8.5 ft./2.6 meters

Walkway/Bikeway Facility Types: Trails, side paths, 2-way separated bike lanes



Skid loader with snow blower

Approximate Width: 4 ft./1.2 meters

Walkway/Bikeway Facility Types: Walkways, trails, side paths, 2-way separated bike lanes, 1-way separated bike lanes



Miniature tractor with snow blower

Approximate Width: 4 ft./1.2 meters



Lawn mower tractor (converted to winter maintenance vehicle) with broom



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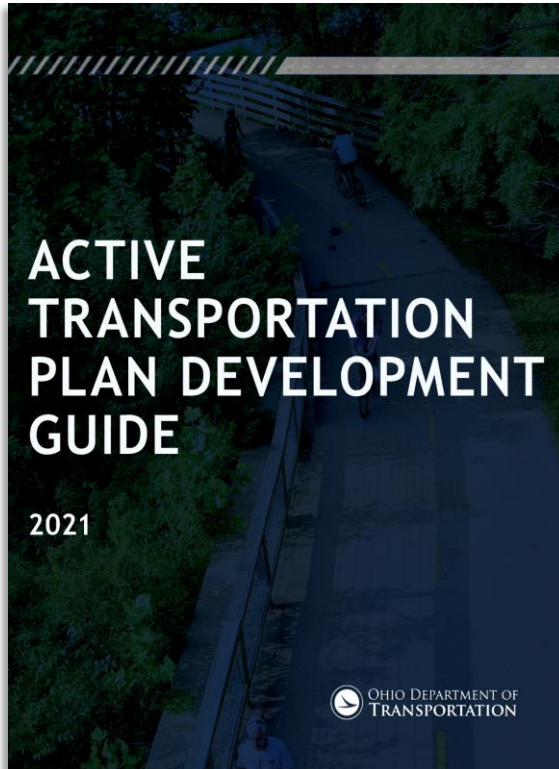
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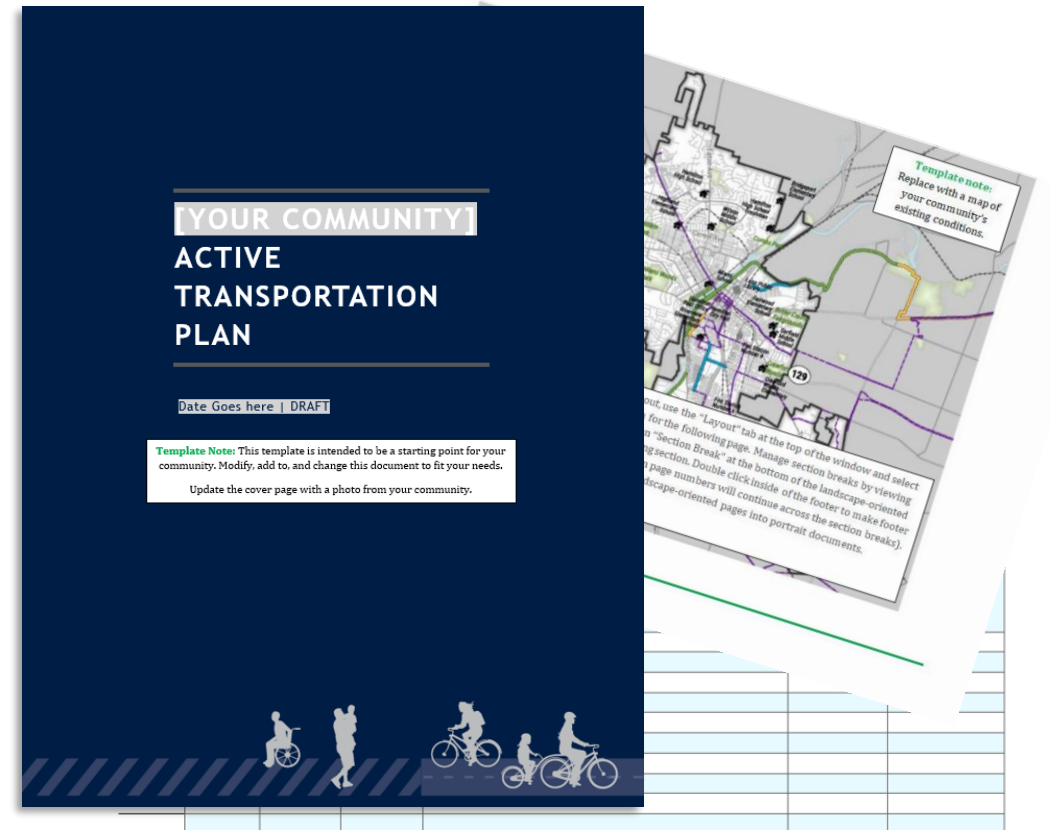
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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

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Training

MDG 101 Training Videos:

Serve as a series of recorded videos providing an overview of what is in the guide and where to find content.

Coming to the ODOT MDG website soon!

Instructions

Click on the titles below to open up a menu that links you to the web training video on YouTube as well as a download link of a PDF file of the PowerPoint presentation that complements the module.

Training Videos

Chapter 1: Introduction > [Download presentation](#)

 Chapter 1: Introduction

Section 1.2.2 Interim Approvals

Watch later Share

Ohio has statewide approval for the following treatments from FHWA:

- IA-14: Green Colored Pavement for Bike Lanes
- IA-15: Alternative Design for the U.S. Bicycle Route (M1-9) Sign
- IA-16: Bicycle Signal Faces
- IA-17: Three-Section Flashing Yellow Arrow Signal Faces
- IA-18: Bicycle Boxes
- IA-20: Two-Stage Bicycle Turn Boxes
- IA-21: Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacon



varies
6.5' min
right



varies
6.5' min
left

Note: Two-Stage Bicycle Turn Boxes are permitted for use with Interim Approval from FHWA. (See Section 1.2.2)

Note: Green-Colored pavement is permitted for use with Interim Approval from FHWA. (See Section 1.2.2)

All locations where treatments with interim approval are installed should be documented and sent to ODOT's Office of Traffic Operations
<https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/programs/traffic-operations/#page=1>



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Training

MDG 201 Live Trainings:

Serve as a live (but virtual) opportunity for a deeper dive on the MDG and training on applying the design guidance in practice.

- Consists of two, 3-hour training sessions offered over two days
- 201 training sessions on **December 6 & 7** and **January 25 & 26** will be open to local practitioners, consultants, and partners





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