



# Community Based Transportation Planning

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# Community-based transportation planning

- **Goal:** improve mobility options for low-income and historically disadvantaged communities in DRCOG region.
- **Project elements:**
  - Extensive community engagement.
  - Center low-income or historically marginalized communities.
  - Implementation orientated.





# Program Structure

- Recently completed four projects.
- \$2.5 Million in 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.
- Projects nominated by local or regional agencies.
- Projects, funds, and procurement managed by DRCOG.
- Focus on community-engagement.

# 92<sup>nd</sup> Ave Corridor Study in Federal Heights

- 92<sup>nd</sup> Ave in Federal Heights between Federal Boulevard and Pecos Street.
- On the High Injury Network.
- Focused on urgent safety issues.
- Engagement: addressing safety and speeding were the main priorities of the community.





# 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue recommendations

- Short-term improvements: paint and post chicanes and medians and RRFB-enhanced crossings.
- Long-term improvements: raised median islands, two roundabouts, a shared use path, two pedestrian hybrid beacons.

# 303 Artway & Montbello Loop Implementation Plan

- Advancing two community-generated projects to be ready for implementation.
- 303 Artway in NE Park Hill.
- Montbello Loop in Montbello.
- Project team: Radian, Montbello Organizing Committee, Denver DOTI, Trust for Public Land.





# 303 Artway & Montbello Loop recommendations

- Identified short-, mid-, and long-term steps towards implementation.
- Provided planning level cost estimates and proposed cross sections.
- Aligned recommendations with Denver's guidelines, programs, and projects.

# Brighton Core City Circulation Plan

- Bridge Street from the South Platte River to 22nd Avenue with a half-mile buffer around the study area.
- Street widening occurred just west of the study area.
- On the High Injury Network with 599 crashes from 2019 to 2023.





# Brighton Plan recommendations

- Adding medians and/or landscaping.
- Updated striping and safer pathways for roundabouts at US-85.
- Signal updates and improved pedestrian crossings.
- Some short-term plans integrated into Brighton's Transportation Preservation & Improvement Project (TPIP) starting in 2027.

# Pecos Corridor Study in Adams County

- Study area is Pecos Street from 62nd Parkway to 84th Avenue in unincorporated Adams County.
- Focused on multimodal transportation and safety.
- Part of DRCOG's High Injury Network with 771 crashes between 2019 and 2023.
- Created community-informed vision and implementation plan.





# Pecos Corridor Study recommendations

- Build a corridor identity through public art, outdoor patios, and landscaping.
- Improve street for pedestrians by building widened detached sidewalks, raised driveway crossings, signalized mid-block crossings, and crossing improvements.
- Build raised, protected bikeways.
- Add raised medians and manage driveway access.
- Consolidate and enhance bus stops.

# Common opportunities and challenges

## Opportunities

- Interest from neighboring jurisdictions in continuing improvements along a corridor.
- Building relationships with community-based organizations.
- Aligning studies with available funding streams.

## Challenges

- Maintaining buy-in for non-profit sponsored projects.
- Engagement with marginalized groups when community-based organizations not available.
- Managing community expectations with long term plans.

# Up next!

- Wrapping up Commerce City Microtransit study later this month!
- Upcoming new projects:
  - Sherrelwood Transportation Vision.
  - Northglenn First and Last Mile Plan.
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Harlan Street Community Crossing Study (City of Lakewood).
- Next call for projects this Fall.

# Thank you

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