



What are Complete Streets?

Complete Streets means that our streets are planned and designed to be safe and accessible for pedestrians, transit riders, bicyclists, and drivers—all users, regardless of age or ability.

Complete Streets is a flexible planning and design process—not a prescriptive roadway design. Complete Streets vary based on context, topography, road function, the speed of traffic, pedestrian and bicycle demand, and other factors.



Commercial corridor in Grand Marais



Rural highway near Moorhead



Residential street in Minneapolis

Benefits of Complete Streets:

- Safety for all travelers
- Accessibility for people with disabilities
- Accessibility for seniors and children
- Health
- Equity
- Transportation choices
- Flexibility for local governments
- Economic development and tourism
- Environmental protection
- Efficient transportation system
- Community building
- Vibrant neighborhoods
- Transportation cost savings for families
- Cost savings for government

Why do we need Complete Streets in Minnesota?

1. Too many roads are not safe for all users.
2. The current planning and design processes do not consistently provide access for people of all ages and abilities.
3. There is currently a lack of consistent planning, leading to gaps in the system that limit transportation choices.



Minnesota Complete Streets Coalition

Making Roads Safer for All Minnesotans

Goals of the Minnesota Complete Streets Coalition:

1. Pass a strong statewide Complete Streets policy during the 2010 legislative session that includes implementation steps and accountability.
2. Work to foster ongoing statewide implementation of Complete Streets processes across all jurisdictions.

Coalition members and supporters (as of 1-9-09):

- AARP
- Alliance for Metropolitan Stability
- Alliance for Sustainability
- American Council of the Blind of Minnesota
- American Heart Association
- Bicycle Alliance of Minnesota
- Bloomington Councilmember Steve Elkins
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota
- Blue Zones - Dan Buettner
- Catalyst
- Cedar Ave United
- City of Saint Paul
- Conservation Minnesota
- Dero Bike Rack Company
- Fit City Duluth
- Fresh Energy
- Friends of Washington County
- Growth and Justice
- Havefunbiking.com
- HealthPartners
- Howard R. Green Company
- Joe Urban, Inc.
- Local Initiatives Support Corporation
- Lutheran Coalition for Public Policy in Minnesota
- Minneapolis Electric Bicycle Company
- Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy
- Minnesota Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities
- Minnesota Council of Nonprofits
- Minnesota Environmental Partnership
- Minnesota Public Interest Research Group
- Minnesotans for Healthy Kids Coalition
- Northfield Nonmotorized Transportation Task Force
- Parks & Trails Council of Minnesota
- Pates Planning and Design
- Red Wing Housing and Redevelopment Authority
- Saint Paul Councilmember Russ Stark
- Saint Paul Riverfront Corporation
- Shifting Gears Bicycles
- Sierra Club North Star Chapter
- St. Paul Smart Trips
- The Arc of Minnesota
- Transit for Livable Communities
- Transportation for America's Minnesota Coalition
- Twin Cities Streets for People
- Urban Land Institute Minnesota
- 1000 Friends of Minnesota

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