

East Multnomah County

Transportation Safety Action Plan

June 11, 2025







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Project Overview

Purpose and Goal

Develop and adopt a **Transportation** Safety Action Plan (TSAP) to improve roadway safety by significantly reducing or eliminating roadway fatalities and serious injuries for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, motorists, personal conveyance and micromobility users, and commercial vehicle operators.







EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SAFETY ACTION PLAN TIMELINE

SUMMER

FALL

Phase 1: Listen & Learn

Jun - Nov 2024

Community Storytelling + Policy and Safety Analysis

Phase 2:
Reflect & Dive In

Dec - Jul 2025

Develop and
Share Transportation
Safety Improvement
Recommendations

WE ARE HERE

SUMMER

Phase 3: Refine

Jul - Sep 2025

Prepare Draft Plan

FALL

Final Plan Complete

Oct 2025

What we've learned so far Phase I Recap

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Phase I Engagement

In-Person Engagement

- Community Listening Sessions (CELs) Spanish,
 Vietnamese, Chinese, Russian/Ukrainian, English
 (focus on transit riders)
- Key Partner Listening Sessions + Interviews
- Mobile Outreach at Existing Community Events
 - Juneteenth at Vance Park
 - Wood Village Night Out
 - Fairview on the Green
 - Rockwood Rock the Block Party
 - Troutdale First Friday

Online Engagement

- Online Survey
- Interactive Map

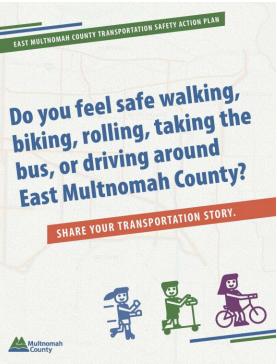
Promotion

- Website/ Newsletter Updates
- Social Media
- Flyers
- Press Release
- Lawn Signs















Phase I Findings

Top five safety concerns based on community engagement and safety data:

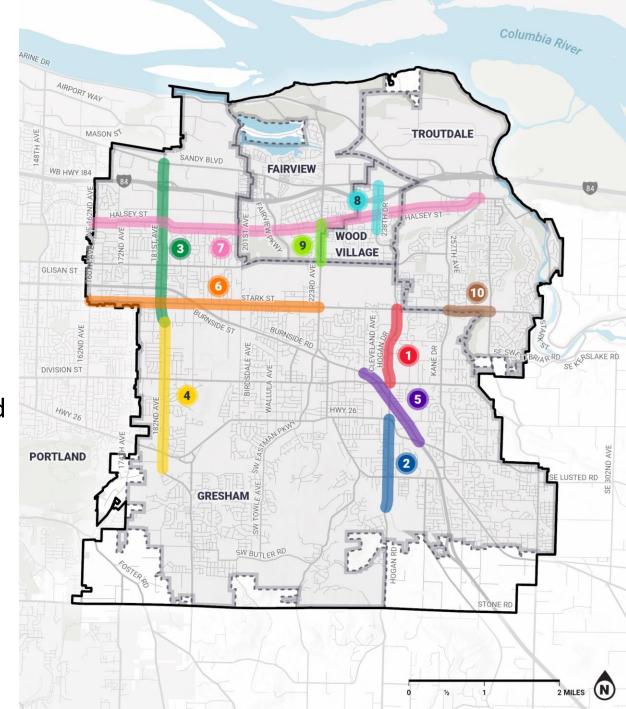
- Speeding: Excessive speeds, especially in areas with speed limits of 35 MPH or higher
- Intersections: High incidence of bicycle, pedestrian, and motorcycle crashes caused by vehicles failing to yield
- Peak Hours and Visibility: Increased crash risks during afternoon rush hour (especially in winter) and lack of pedestrian-scale lighting
- Impaired Driving: Drug and alcohol use greatly increases crash severity, particularly at night
- Road and Pathway Maintenance: Poor conditions of roads, sidewalks, and bike lanes identified as a top safety concern in the community survey

^{*}displayed in no particular order

Priority Corridors

Top 10 priority corridors based on community engagement and safety data:

- 1. Hogan Dr from Division St to Stark St
- 2. Hogan Rd from Powell Blvd to Springwater
- 3. 181st Ave from Sandy Blvd to Yamhill St
- 4. 182nd Ave from Yamhill St to Springwater
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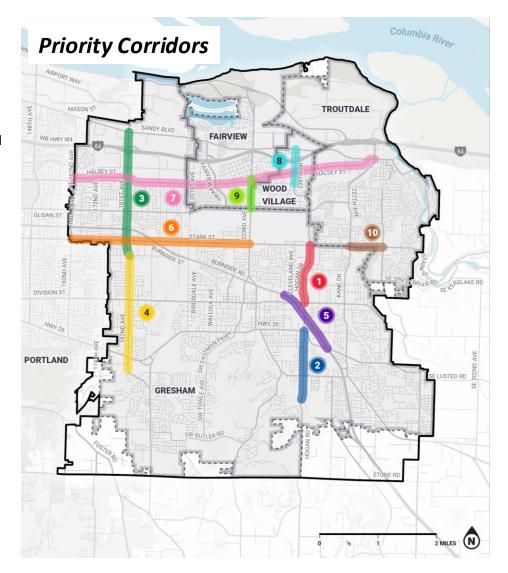
Upcoming Engagement

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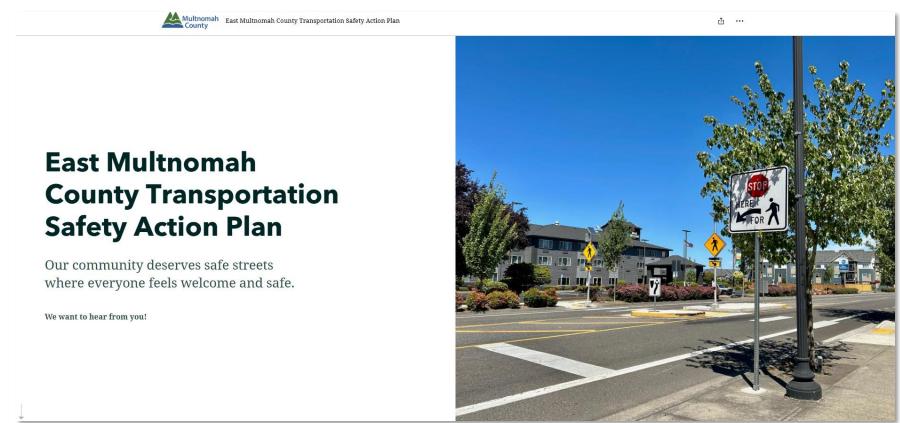
Phase II Engagement – Overview

- Timeframe: June 16- July 31
- Key Questions:
 - Which roads would be most important to you for safety improvements? What infrastructure improvements would you like to see? Do you agree with the recommendations?
 - Please select your top five actions you want to see happen in the coming years.





Phase II Engagement – Story Map Survey



Online story map where members of the public can view and comment on priority corridors and recommendations.

https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/4ff4caeb86d048fba1f98dee6b1262ae



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Activities

- Story Map Survey in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese,
 Russian, and Ukrainian.
- Key Partner Presentations and Interviews
- Broad communication and promotion through social media, postcards, flyers, etc.

In-Person Events

- Juneteenth (June 19th, 2025)
- Wood Village Night Out (July 18th, 2025)
- Fairview on the Green (July 26th, 2025)
- Sunday Parkways (July 27th, 2025)
- First Friday in Troutdale (TBD)



Program and Policy Action Recommendations

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Strategies and Actions





Actions – Design and Construction

- Complete gaps in sidewalks and bike lanes.
- Construct high visibility crosswalks with beacons where crossing opportunities are distant.
- Address accessibility (ADA) issues, such as adding curb ramps and removing sidewalk obstructions.
- Update traffic signal timing to give pedestrians a head start to cross the street.
- Improve street lighting, especially pedestrian scale lighting along the corridor.
- Prioritize maintenance actions that are critical for safety.
- Seek additional maintenance capacity and resources for safety projects.





- Develop a program to deliver quick and low-cost safety projects.
- Add speed feedback signs along high injury corridors and in school zones.
- Develop a program to enforce speeds through speed safety cameras.
- Work with partners to lower speed limits on high injury corridors, where appropriate.
- Work with partners to increase ride options to reduce drunk and impaired driving.
- Advocate for state and national laws that require safe vehicle standards and technology.
- Advocate for grants and other revenue sources that can be used for safety projects.
- Coordinate with partners to assess needs for post-crash response improvements.
- Incorporate safety recommendations into local plans and standards for ongoing implementation.





- Launch an education campaign focused on impaired driving, speeding, and bicycle/pedestrian awareness.
- Educate property owners on sidewalk maintenance requirements for accessibility.
- Seek long-term funding for the East Multnomah County Safe Routes to School Program.



Actions – Breakout Groups

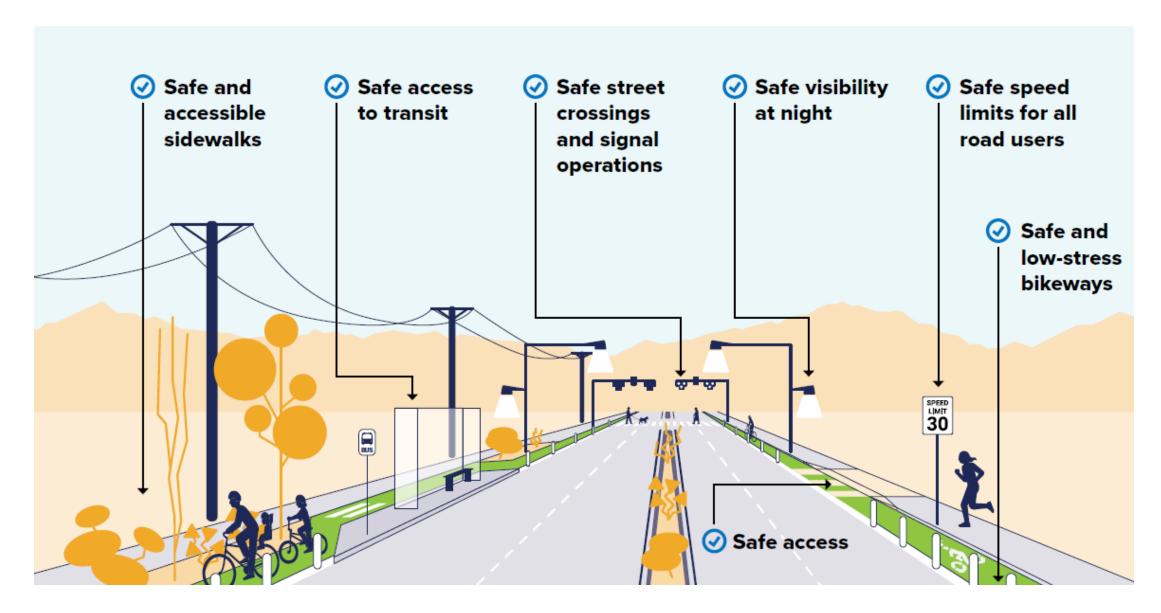
- Break into groups of 3-5 people.
- Discuss the Recommended Actions and determine your group's top approx. 5 actions. (10 minutes)
- Share back with the group and look for common themes. (5 minutes)
- Does BPCAC have top recommended actions as a committee? (5 minutes)

Initial Safety Improvement Recommendations

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What makes a Safe Street?





Bicycle Improvement Countermeasures

- Separated/Protected Bicycle Lane: A separated bike
 lane is a bikeway next to the street that keeps people
 biking safely apart from car traffic by using barriers
 like curbs, posts, or planters.
- Painted Conflict Striping: Bicycle conflict striping uses painted markings to clearly show where people biking and driving may cross conflicting roadways, such as at intersections and driveways. (see example at right).







Crossing Improvement Countermeasures

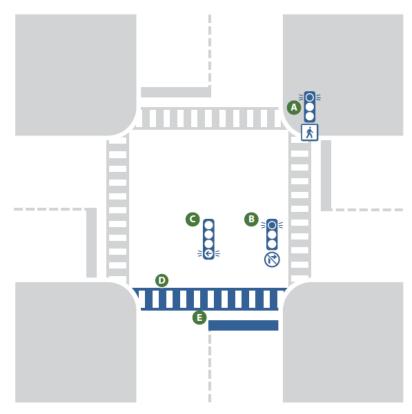
- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons: Flashing lights at crosswalks that alert drivers when someone is about to cross.
- Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons: Overhead signals that stop traffic for crossing pedestrians.
- Raised Pedestrian Crossings: Ramped speed tables marked with paint or special paving to slow vehicles (see example at right).
- Pedestrian Refuge Islands: Cut-outs in medians that provide an area for pedestrians and bicyclists to pause between opposing lanes of traffic.
- High Visibility Crosswalks: Bold, wide striping patterns make crosswalks more noticeable to drivers.





Intersection Improvement Countermeasures

- Restricting Right Turns on Red: Restricting right turns on red
 using signs helps reduce conflicts between turning vehicles and
 pedestrians.
- Leading Pedestrian Intervals: Give pedestrians time start crossing before vehicles get a green light.
- Dedicated Left Turn Phasing: a green arrow signal indicates to left-turning vehicles that oncoming traffic is stopped, allowing them to make their turn safely
- Advance Stop Bars: An advanced stop bar is a solid white line striped in advance of crosswalks that encourage drivers to stop further back from crosswalks



- A Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI)
- B Right on Red Restriction
- Protected or Protected/Permissive LT Phasing
- High Visibility Crosswalks
- Advanced Stop Bars



Roadway Design Improvement Countermeasures

- Road Diets: Reducing lanes can lower vehicle speeds and create space for pedestrian and bike facilities (see example at right).
- Curb Extensions: Curb extensions extend the sidewalk into the roadway at intersections or mid-block crossings.
- Curb Radius Reduction: Many streets have overly curb large radii that encourage fast turns, smaller radii improve pedestrian safety.
- **Slip Lane Modifications**: Closing or realigning slip lanes.





Speed Management Countermeasures

- **Speed Feedback Signage:** Can show drivers that they are speeding and encourages them to slow down.
- Speed Safety Camera Enforcement: Measures vehicle speeds to capture speeding violations.
- **Speed Humps and Speed Cushions**: Raised areas in the roadway that slow vehicles (see example at right).
- Speed Limit Reductions: Lower speed limits can reduce crashes and casualties on highways and in urban areas, can be quickly implemented.





Linking Countermeasures to Safety Concerns



Corridor-wide Safety Concerns		Safety Improvement Options
Speeding		Construct medians
	(5)	Lower speed limit
Driveways create conflicts for people walking and biking		Access management (reduce number of driveways)
Distant pedestrian crossings	®	Enhanced pedestrian crossings
Uncomfortable blke lanes	®	Separated/ protected bicycle lane
Indistinct bike lane crossings		Bicycle conflict striping
Non-bicycle-safe storm drains in bike lane	1	Roadway surface improvements
Signalized intersection conflicts	-	See summary of safety improvement options for signalized intersections (on separate page)

Site Specific Recommendations

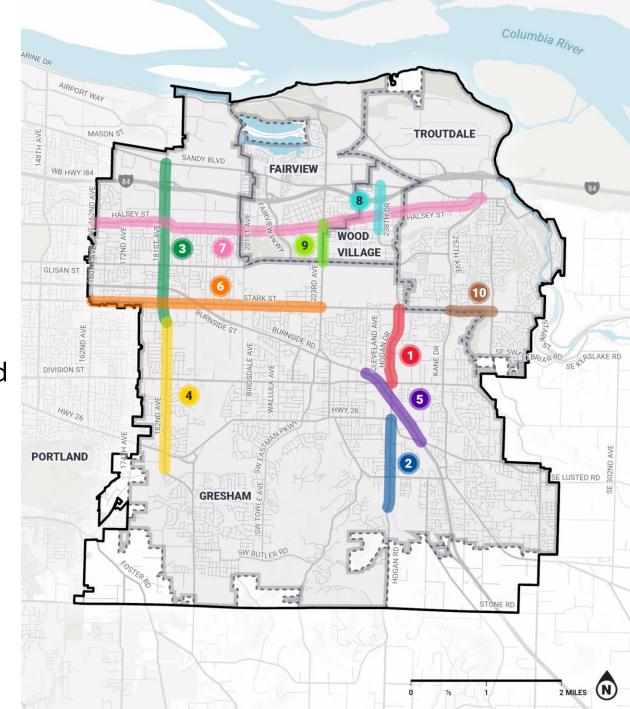




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Next Steps



- Phase 2 Engagement- June 16- July 31
- EMCTC + EMCTC TAC in July
- Draft Plan- end of August 🎾



Phase 3 Engagement- Sept 16- Oct 17

Thank you!