

East Multnomah County

# Transportation Safety Action Plan

**EMCTC** 

**December 15, 2025** 



**East Multnomah County** 

# **Transportation Safety Action Plan**

Winter 2025













# **Agenda**



- Schedule
- Project Recap
- Engagement summary
- Final Plan Overview
- Funding
- Next Steps
- EMCTC Approval Resolution





# EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SAFETY ACTION PLAN TIMELINE

SUMMER

Phase 1:

Jun - Nov 2024

Listen & Learn

Community Storytelling +

**Policy and Safety Analysis** 

FALL

SPRING

SUMMER

SUMMER

Phase 2: Reflect & Dive In

Dec - Jul 2025

Develop and
Share Transportation
Safety Improvement
Recommendations

Phase 3: Refine

Jul - Oct 2025

**Prepare Draft Plan** 

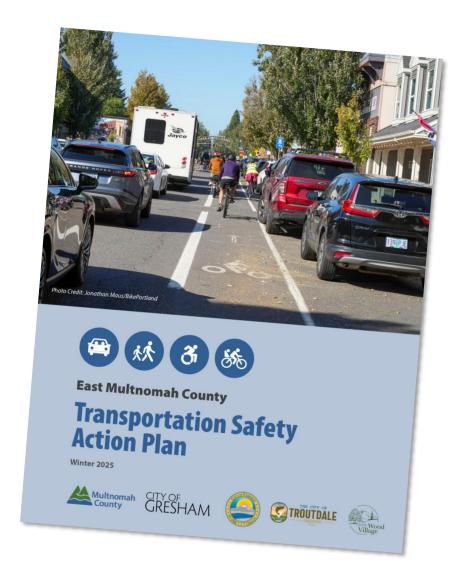
FALL **Final Plan** Complete **Dec 2025 WE ARE HERE** 

# What is a Transportation Safety Action Plan?



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A Transportation Safety Action Plan analyzes safety issues, community concerns, and crash patterns to develop projects and strategies aimed at reducing or eliminating serious injuries and fatalities for all road users.



### **Vision Zero Goal**



- Between 2013 and 2022, 473 people were seriously injured and 104 people lost their lives in crashes on East Multnomah County roadways
- Vision Zero uses the Safe Systems
   Approach to design roadways that

   anticipate human mistakes and minimize
   serious injuries or fatalities



# **Vision Zero Goal**



### A Vision Zero Goal for East Multnomah County

The East Multnomah County Transportation Committee is committed to the goal of eliminating all traffic fatalities and serious injuries in East Multnomah County by 2035.

No loss of life is acceptable, and we must ensure our streets are **safe for all community members** to travel, including those who walk, use
bicycles, take transit, or use mobility devices.

# **Crash Data Summary**

- 8,474 injury crashes occurred in East Multnomah County between 2013 and 2022
- People walking, biking and using a motorcycle were more likely to be involved in a serious injury or fatal crash

In an average year,

## 58 people

are severely injured or killed in crashes in East Multnomah County



11 people walking



38 people driving or riding in a car

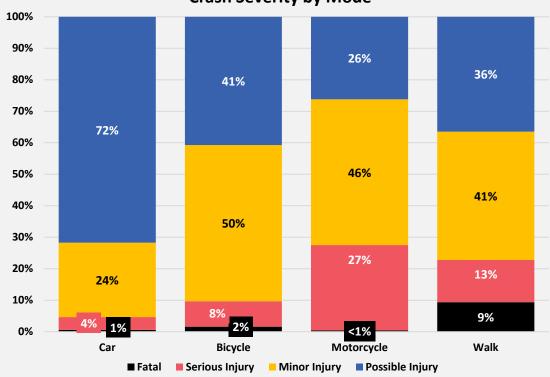


2 people biking



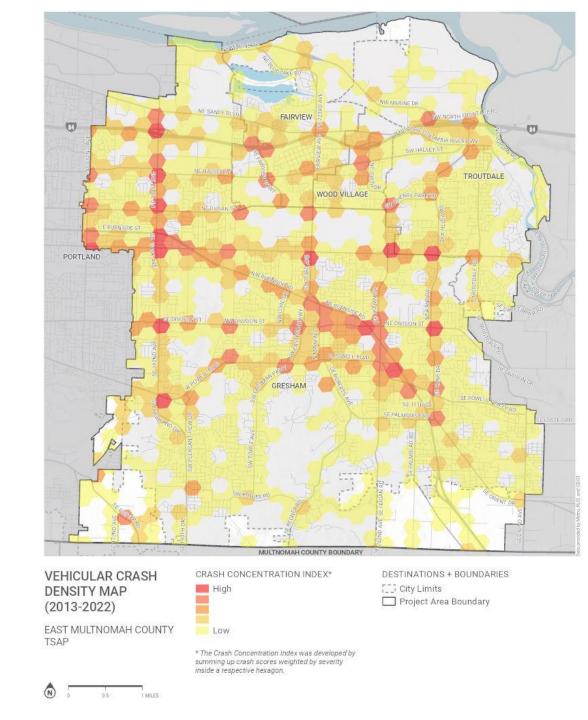
7 people riding motorcycles





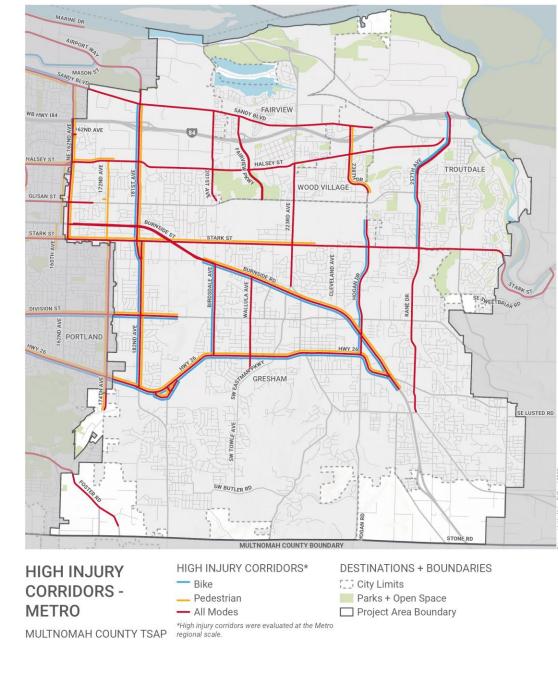
# **Crash Data Summary**

- Most of the severe crashes occurred on the arterial network
- Many of the major streets in East
   Multnomah County are dangerous for people traveling around by car, walking, or rolling



# **High Injury Corridors**

- High injury corridors (HICs) are roadways where the highest concentrations of crashes occur
- Mostly along on the arterial network





# **Community Engagement**

- More than 3,000 community members
   shared their experiences walking, rolling,
   biking, driving, and using transit in East
   Multnomah County.
- A 3-phase approach was used to maximize the reach and depth of public feedback.

### Phase 1: Listen & Learn

Listen to and learn from community experiences



Reflect on community input to shape draft recommendations

**Phase 3: Refine** 

Refine draft plan with final community input

# PHASES **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

# **Phase 1 Engagement**

### **In-Person Engagement**

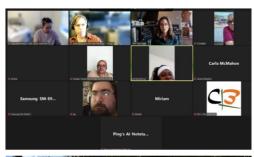
- Community Listening Sessions (CELs) Spanish,
   Vietnamese, Chinese, Russian/Ukrainian, English
   (focus on transit riders)
- Key Partner Listening Sessions + Interviews
- Outreach at Several Community Events:
  - Juneteenth at Vance Park
  - Wood Village Night Out
  - · Fairview on the Green
  - 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









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# **Phase 1 Engagement Findings**



### **Top five safety concerns**

- 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



# **Phase 2 Engagement**





### **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**

- First Friday, Troutdale
- Juneteenth
- Mt Hood CC, Farmers Market (July 13)
- Wood Village Night Out
- Rockwood Farmers Market (July 24)
- Fairview on the Green
- Sunday Parkways (July 27th)

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### Top supported improvements across priority corridors:

- Pedestrian crossing enhancements
- Street lighting
- Traffic signal improvements
- Sidewalks
- Accessibility improvements

### **Top supported actions**

- Complete gaps in sidewalk and bike lanes
- Seek long-term funding for the East Multnomah County SRTS Program
- High visibility crosswalks
- Program to enforce speeds with safety cameras
- Street lighting



# **Phase 3 Engagement**

- 185 public comments
- Feedback Survey
  - Survey offered in English,
     Spanish, Vietnamese,
     Mandarin Chinese, Ukrainian,
     and Russian
  - Asked about satisfaction with TSAP, ideas for additional safety strategies, and on how to improve public engagement.



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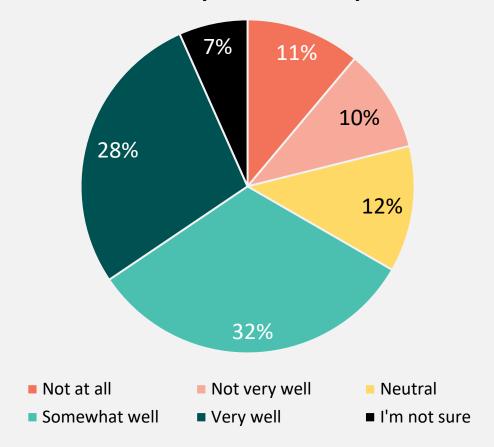
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### **Phase 3 Engagement Findings**

### **Key Themes**

- Support for the plan and enthusiasm for implementation.
- Support for speed management and enforcement
- Some respondents provided additional infrastructure and road design ideas.
- A majority of survey respondents indicated that the TSAP reflects safety concerns they have experienced or observed.

How well does the draft plan reflect the transportation safety concerns you've experienced or observed in your community? N = 90



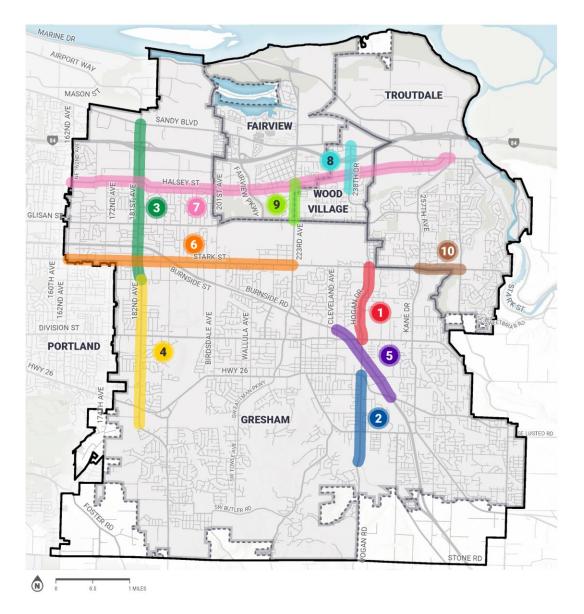
# **The Final Plan**

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# **Priority Safety Corridors**

- Corridors were identified by evaluating roadways on the following criteria:
  - Location on a High Injury Corridor (HIC)
  - Number of crashes
  - Benefit to travelers with lower incomes
  - Public engagement survey results





# **Systemwide Safety Improvements**





### **Speed Management**

- Lower posted speed limits
- Speed feedback signs and dynamic displays
- Speed safety camera enforcement
- Constructed medians and lane narrowing

### **Pedestrian Safety**

- Enhanced pedestrian crossings
- Curb extensions to shorten crossing distances
- Pedestrian scale lighting
- Raised crosswalks

### **Bicycle Safety**

- Separated or protected bike lanes
- Bicycle conflict striping at intersections and driveways
- Floating bus stops to reduce bus-bike conflicts
- Roadway surface improvements and ADA-compliant ramps

### **Intersection Safety**

- Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPIs)
- Right turn on red restrictions
- Protected or permissive left-turn phasing
- Right turn on red restrictions
- Advanced stop bars

### **Access and Connectivity**

- Sidewalk infill and ADA improvements
- Access management to reduce driveway conflicts
- Roadway reconfiguration to improve multimodal balance

### Where do we start?



### **Priority Steps**

# Design & Construction

Implement safety countermeasures

# Management

Deploy speed management strategies

Speed

# Funding Advocacy

Advocate for funding

### **Process**

Act on community priorities and build trust through implementation

# Policy and Program

Incorporate Vision
Zero goals into
local plans

- Improve Street Lighting
- Fill Gaps in Bike Lanes and Sidewalks
- Construct High
   Visibility Crosswalks
- Construct Priority
   Safety Improvements

- Speed safety camera enforcement program
- Speed feedback signs
- Develop a Safe
   Speeds Strategy

- Additional maintenance capacity and resources
- Pursue Grants
- East Multnomah Safe Routes to School program

- Continue gathering public feedback
- Program for quick build and low-cost safety projects
- Provide regular updates to committees

Incorporate Vision
 Zero goals into local
 plans and design
 standards

# **EMCTC's Role**



- Provide accountability for implementation of the Safety Action Plan and track progress.
- Bring jurisdictions together to advocate for safety investments and coordinate efforts.
- Dedicate at least one EMCTC working session a year towards safety.
- Provide input on development of Speed
   Management Plan for East County.



# **Funding Strategies**



# **TSAP Funding Strategy Overview**

# Funding to support TSAP actions is a priority next step

- Seek additional maintenance capacity and resources
- Pursue grants and other revenue sources
  - List federal, state, and regional opportunities
  - Describe program, match requirements, eligible uses, funding cycle
- Safe Routes to School Program funding
- Quick Build Program funding



# What's Next?



# **Next Steps for Implementation**

### **Applying for grants in 2026**

- Metro RTO Program Core Partner for Safe Routes to School funding
- SS4A for an implementation grant?
- REACH applying for Road to Zero grant

### **Plans and Standards Updates**

- Gresham Transportation System Plan update
- Multnomah County Design and Construction
   Manual Update

### **Upcoming Safety Projects**

- Sandy Blvd and 223rd in Fairview
- 181st improvements in Gresham
- Troutdale Rd Culvert (bike/ped gap) and planning for a path

### **Pending Projects**

2025 SS4A application – Safe Speeds
 Strategy and pilot projects

# **TSAP Approval Resolution**

# The EMCTC Resolves:



- 1. To endorse the East Multnomah County Transportation Safety **Action Plan**
- To recommend the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners and the City Councils consider adoption of the plan
- To use its role as a transportation coordinating committee to oversee and monitor implementation of the TSAP and evaluate progress toward the Vision Zero Goal
- To prioritize, in developing its future workplans, actions in the plan that EMCTC can advance through its leadership, such as advocating for funding for priority safety investments

### BEFORE THE EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

### RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_

For the purpose of endorsing the East Multnomah County Transportation Safety Action Plan:

- The East Multnomah County Transportation Committee (EMCTC) Finds: A. EMCTC updated its bylaws in 2022 to include policy direction to prioritize projects that reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries in East Multnomah County as well as those that improve the lives of residents of East Multnomah County, where there is a greater proportion of low income, Black, Indigenous and People of Color;
  - In 2023, Metro received a federal Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant from the U.S. In 2023, Metro received a receral care offects for Air (SCAP) grant front the Co. Department of Transportation and Multnomah County was granted funding as a Subrecipient to develop the East Multromah County Transportation Safety Action Plan
  - C. EMCTC has served as the Steering Committee overseeing the creation of the TSAP
  - D. Many of the major roadways in urban East Multnomah County are designated as High Injury Corridors, meaning these roadways are where the highest concentrations of fatal and serious injury traffic crashes occur in the Portland Metro region;
  - Between 2013 and 2022, 473 people were seriously injured and 104 people lost their lives on East Multnomah County roads;
  - F. Over 3,000 community members provided feedback during development of the TSAP about their experiences on East Multnomah County roads and their support for various safety improvements. A resounding theme was the need for safer conditions for those who are walking, rolling, and biking, with 45% of survey respondents feeling ייזוט מופי אימותוויון, וטוווויון, מוזע טוגאוויון, איזנון אטאָס סו אטויצען ופאַסחטפוזנא ופפוווזק uncomfortable or very uncomfortable walking or rolling, and 49% feeling the same about
  - G. EMCTC collaborated and voted on a shared Vision Zero Goal in July 2025, committing to a goal of "eliminating all traffic fatalities and serious injuries in East Multnomah County by 2035. No loss of life is acceptable, and we must ensure our streets are safe for all Community members to travel, including those who walk, use bicycles, take transit, or
  - H. The TSAP includes a list of actions and next steps for implementation that provides a The Took includes a list of adulting and heat steps for implementation that provides a coordinated strategy for the EMCTC member agencies and community partners to work

1. To endorse the East Multnomah County Transportation Safety Action Plan as included in

Thank you!