

City of Austin Mobility Outcome Report



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Monthly Highlights

AUSTIN WINS \$22.9 MILLION SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL GRANT



The U.S. Department of Transportation announced that the City of Austin will receive a \$22.9 million grant to make its streets safer for everyone. The grant is part of the \$5 billion **Safe Streets and Roads for All** program, which was established as part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

In total, Austin Transportation plans to implement safety improvements at more than 60 locations through this grant, with at least half of project funding allocated to underserved communities. Austin has a proven record of reducing severe crashes through its **Vision Zero** safety initiatives. Safety improvements have led to a **31% reduction** in the annual number of fatal or serious injury crashes at major intersections and a **17% decrease** in fatal and serious injury crashes on the city's High-Injury Roadways.

INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS COMING SOON TO EAST RIVERSIDE DRIVE



The City of Austin Corridor Construction Program will soon be working to finalize safety improvements at five intersections along East Riverside Drive. Final roadway striping will be put in place at the intersections of Royal Crest Drive, Burton Drive/Tinnin Ford Road, Willow Creek Road, Wickersham Lane, and Coriander Drive. Once striping is in place, Austin Transportation Department will coordinate the activation of the new signal at Coriander Drive.

Crews will begin restriping at Royal Crest Drive and work their way east to Coriander Drive. To reduce



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traffic impacts, a mobile working operation will be utilized. Please be aware of construction vehicles and short-term lane closures.

Construction on safety improvements at Vargas Road and Frontier Valley Drive are anticipated to begin in the coming months. Improvements include new traffic signals with protected left turns and extended curbs to provide traffic calming and shorten the crossing distance for people walking and biking.

NEW FACILITIES FOR CYCLISTS AND PEDESTRIANS ALONG WILLIAM CANNON DRIVE

Cyclists and pedestrians navigating along each side of William Cannon Drive between South Pleasant Valley Road and Running Water Drive can now enjoy a combination of Shared Use Paths and protected bike lanes. Construction began in September and wrapped up earlier this month.

Phased construction of additional multimodal improvements along the 11.7-mile William Cannon Drive corridor is anticipated to begin later this year, including additional cyclist and pedestrian facilities, new and upgraded signals, and new pedestrian hybrid beacons.

These projects are part of the 2016 Mobility Bond-funded Corridor Construction Program. Upon completion, the improvements are expected to facilitate safer, more efficient travel for everyone, including those walking, biking, driving and accessing public transit.



RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES: \$1.12 MILLION FOR AUSTIN



The City of Austin was selected to receive \$1.12 million in federal funding under the historic \$185 million U.S. Department of Transportation Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program, established by President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. The grant will fund the Connecting Austin Equitably Mobility Study for the Our Future 35 Cap and Stitch Program, which will determine options to maximize equitable multimodal connectivity and mobility in areas surrounding cap and stitch locations while analyzing transit needs and priorities for serving the new destinations created with the caps and stitches. Austin is one of 45 projects selected to reconnect communities that have been cut off from opportunity and burdened by past transportation decisions. This is one of the multiple steps that Our Future 35 has incorporated into the planning process to ensure that the Cap and Stitch project considers equity, and environmental justice, and benefits all Austin residents, especially those who have been harmed by past segregationist policies and infrastructure.



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