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# Native American | Community Dialogue

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## THE MINNEAPOLIS TRANSPORTATION ACTION PLAN

The Minneapolis Transportation Action Plan (TAP) is a 10-year action plan to guide future planning, design, and implementation of transportation projects for all people in all the ways they move around. The TAP supports the policies adopted in the Minneapolis 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

### A CONVERSATION WITH MEMBERS OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY

Working with the City’s Neighborhood and Community Relations Cultural Engagement Team, Public Works held seven community dialogues to connect with communities of different cultures, languages and abilities through small group discussions in spring of 2019.

Public Works met with members of the Native American community on March 21, 2019 at the All My Relations Gallery. In addition, community members were able to participate in a number of organizational workshops, community workshops, an online survey and through the interactive plan website. The input collected directly helped us establish priorities and inform the content of the Draft Plan.

### KEY MESSAGES WE HEARD FROM THE COMMUNITY

The top three needs that we heard from the members of the Native American community is for the City of Minneapolis to...

- 1 Address safety and illegal vehicle behavior such as speeding and running red lights.
- 2 Increase access to transit and shared mobility through education and outreach.
- 3 Collaborate with community on addressing transportation issues.

*Our community is underinvested in.*



**TAP goals reflecting community needs:**

- Safety
- Equity
- Active Partnerships

**TAP topics reflecting community needs:**

- Transit
- Street Operations
- Technology



## RESPONDING TO COMMUNITY NEEDS IN THE DRAFT MINNEAPOLIS TRANSPORTATION ACTION PLAN

The proposed strategies and actions in the Draft Plan address many needs brought to light during the Native American Community Dialogue. Key strategies and actions include:



**Walking strategy 2** - Prioritize visibility and safety of pedestrians at intersections and midblock crossings.

- **Walking action 2.3:** Adjust and restrict vehicle turns at intersections based on street context and data. This includes strategies such as 'No Turn on Red'.

**Walking strategy 8** – Set policies and practices to leverage, manage, monitor and design for new and emerging technologies that increase visibility and comfort of pedestrians.



**Bicycle strategy 10** - Expand safe biking and micromobility education and encouragement.

**Transit strategy 1** – Increase transit coverage so that 75% of city residents are located within a quarter mile and 90% of residents are located within a half mile of high frequency transit corridors.



- **Transit action 1.1:** Expand the high frequency network.

**Transit strategy 5** – Expand multimodal access to transit.

- **Transit action 5.1:** Prioritize pedestrian improvements connecting residents to transit service, including completing missing links in the sidewalk network, safe crossings at high volume intersections and maintaining pedestrian access through construction zones.
- **Transit action 5.2:** Explore partnership opportunities to implement and subsidize shared ride and other on demand mobility services targeting first and last mile transit options to connect people to transit stops and stations.

**Transit strategy 6** – Support efforts to ensure transit is safe, comfortable and affordable option for all city residents.



**Technology strategy 2** – Increase access to shared mobility services by removing the barriers of physical ability, geographic placement, language, payment methods, income and technology and digital literacy.

- **Technology action 2.7:** Institute a process to consult with communities, grassroots coalitions and non-profits to evaluate existing services, envision and create new solutions to reduce barriers to shared mobility services that best suit the needs of low-income and underrepresented individuals.



**Street Operations strategy 2** – Use quick-build tools to eliminate traffic related deaths and severe injuries on city streets.

- **Street operations action 2.1:** Complete all Safe Streets strategies and actions in the Vision Zero Action Plan and any updates of the 2020-2022 plan, with a focus on reducing speeds, reconfiguring road space to support safer travel and encourage more people to walk, bike and take transit and install safety improvements at intersections along High Injury Streets.