Complete Streets

- Streets that are designed and operated to enable safe access for all users.
- Pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities must be able to safely move along and across a complete street.

Incomplete Streets

- Traditional streets that lack connectivity, non-motorized transportation choices, and do not safely accommodate pedestrians or bicyclists.
- Favor automobiles over other forms of travel.

Characteristics of complete streets

- Safety - Specifically designing, operating, and maintaining facilities improve safety for pedestrians & bicyclists
- Health - Complete streets provide improved access and opportunities for walking, biking, and physical activity
- Environment - By switching from vehicle to walking or bicycling, an individual's CO₂ emissions can be reduced by 4,800 pounds
- Smart mobility — Encourage compact building design, mixed-use development, walkable/bikable neighborhoods, and an array of transportation choices
- Inclusive Physical Environments - Older adults, persons with disabilities, children
- Walkability and economic vitality - Home in more walkable community had increased property value premium of $4,000 to $34,000 over it in not walkable community
- Responds to housing market preferences - 77% voters preferred neighborhood with pedestrian-friendly amenity when purchasing a new home

We can and should do:

- (Engineers) Design and operate transportation system focused on completeness of streets
- Support and pay attention to National Complete Streets Movement
- Walk or bicycle as much as possible instead of automobiles