



WEST 27TH AVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The 27th Avenue Pedestrian Safety Improvements project is located within Spenard, one of Anchorage’s most diverse neighborhoods. Pedestrian and bicycle upgrades in this area are a high priority due to the five schools on or near the project and the high percentage of walking and biking trips within the area. The Anchorage Pedestrian Plan ranked the area high for pedestrian projects, the Anchorage Bicycle Plan recommends 27th Avenue as one of four bike boulevards, and the West Anchorage District Plan classifies the Spenard Road/27th Avenue intersection as high risk.

The project goals are to:

- Promote year-round walking to improve community connectivity.
- Encourage bicycling by people of all ages and abilities.
- Reduce conflicts between motorized and non-motorized traffic.

The objectives of this project are to:

- Provide pedestrian facilities that discourage vehicle encroachments by clearly defining driveway locations and parking.
- Implement a bicycle boulevard, if feasible, and related intersection improvements with minimal obstacles for through-going bicyclists.
- Discourage cut-through motorized vehicle traffic, while maintaining local access.



PROJECT CORRIDOR

Project Schedule:

- Study of project corridor
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- Develop Concept Report - Problem identification and concepts to be advanced to next phase
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Bicycle boulevards are streets with low motorized traffic volumes and speeds, designated and designed to give bicycle travel priority. Bicycle Boulevards use signs, pavement markings, and speed and volume management measures to discourage through trips by motor vehicles and create safe, convenient bicycle crossings of busy arterial streets.

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