

SAINT PAUL PEDESTRIAN PLAN

What is a Pedestrian Plan?

The City of Saint Paul is creating our first-ever plan to support safe walking in our city. The plan will address citywide walking needs like connecting our sidewalk system, safer ways to cross streets, and education and enforcement programs to support safe walking.

What do we hope to achieve?

- Build capacity to support safe walking everywhere in Saint Paul
- Identify proactive policies for safety improvements
- Develop priorities for investments in walking
- Identify programs to support walking: education, encouragement, enforcement, and evaluation
- Promote and energize a culture of walking



Credit: Samantha Henningson

What does equity mean when we talk about walking in Saint Paul?



Credit: Kelly Vlach

Below are some ideas from the plan's Steering Committee:

- All neighborhoods are safe places for walking
- Improvements are made in places with the greatest safety challenges and needs
- People of all abilities can move throughout our city
- Decisions are proactive and transparent
- Invest in areas historically under-served to reduce disparities in access to safe walking.



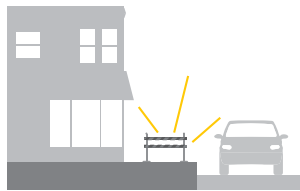
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What do we know so far?

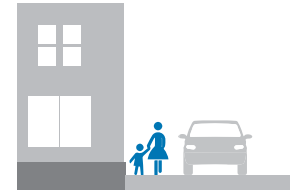
Saint Paul sidewalks need improvements



1,083 miles of sidewalk



6-8 miles of sidewalk replaced annually



394 miles of sidewalk gaps: streets **without** sidewalks

There are challenges to safe walking

People walking are at higher risk of traffic injury and death than people bicycling or driving. Many people do not feel safe or comfortable crossing Saint Paul streets.



4% of Saint Paul residents **walk to work**



8.5% use public **transit**, usually walking to the bus stop or light rail station



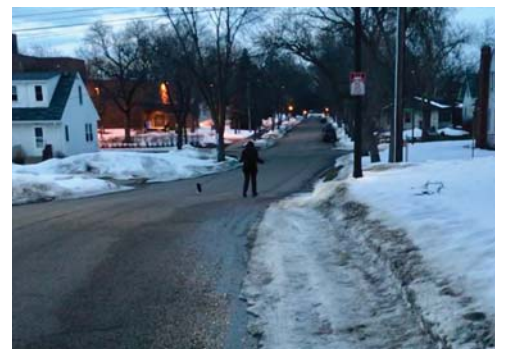
28% of traffic **injuries and deaths** involved a person walking



At some Saint Paul crosswalks, **less than 20% of drivers stop** for people trying to cross the street.

Other challenges for walking in Saint Paul:

- **Funding:** Current funding is not enough for sidewalk and crossing needs
- **Equity:** Walking is not and safe for all people, everywhere in Saint Paul
- **Winter:** Snow, ice, and inconsistent sidewalk shoveling make it challenging to walk in the winter

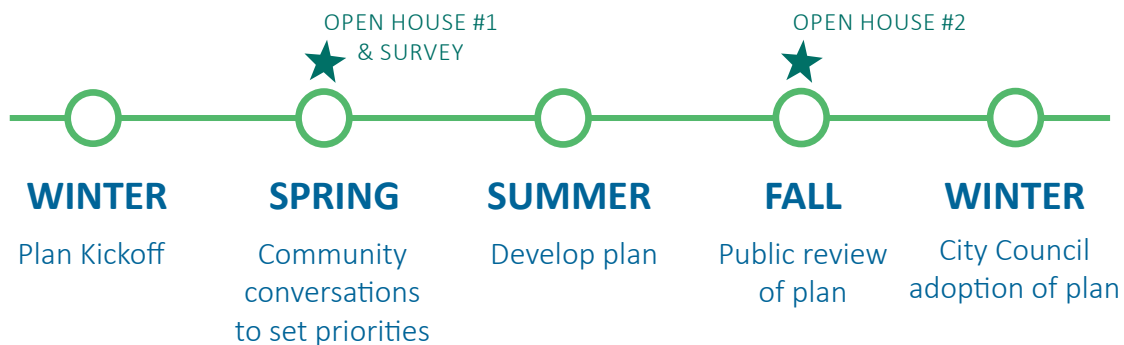


Credit: Joy Benn



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Project Timeline



Where are we going from here?

Your ideas are shaping the plan!

We will use input from the public to shape the plan, including:

- A vision and goals for walking in Saint Paul
- Places to focus safety improvements for walking
- Projects and programs to support walking



Credit: Anna Min of Min Enterprises Photography

What will be included in the plan?

- What we know about walking in Saint Paul: challenges and opportunities
- Vision and goals
- A map of priority areas for investments in walking: places with the greatest needs and greatest potential benefits
- Clear guidelines and process for crosswalk improvements
- Programs and policies to support a culture of walking in Saint Paul
- Funding and cost estimates to fill sidewalk gaps and improve crossings



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Enter our Photo Contest!

Submit your photo(s) of “Walking in Saint Paul” to fay.simer@stpaul.gov by **March 30, 2018**. The winner will be invited on a personal walk with Mayor Melvin Carter, on a route selected by YOU!

By submitting pictures, the photographer gives the City of Saint Paul rights to use photos in any print or digital materials.



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Credit: Kelly Vlach



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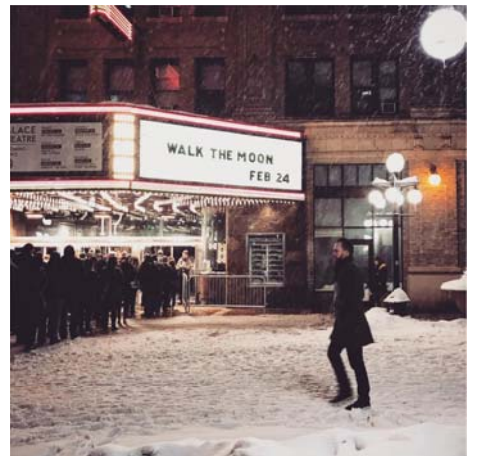
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