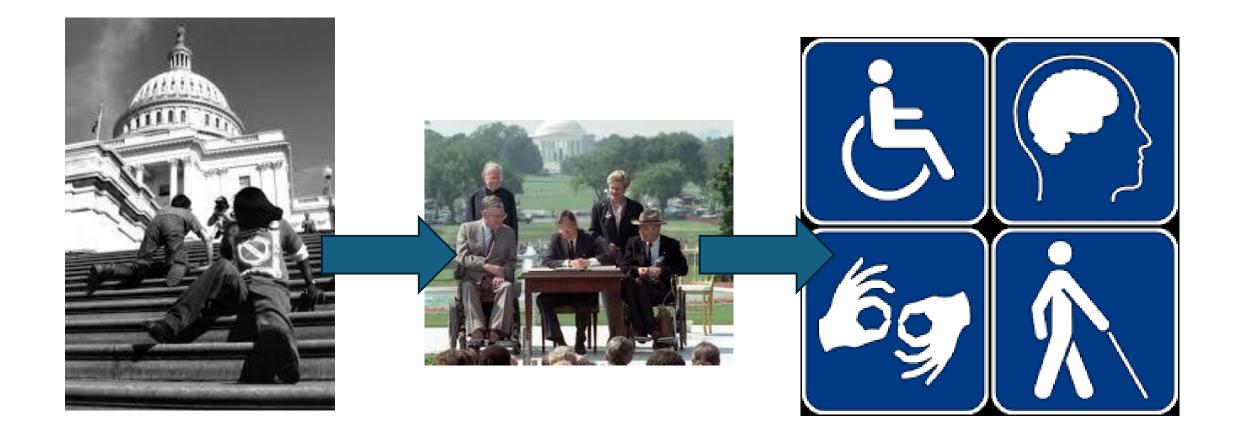
## Revitalizing Madison's ADA Transition Plan



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### **ADA Transition Plans**



## **Public Entities**

A public entity shall operate each service, program, or activity so that the service, program, or activity, when viewed in its entirety, is readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities.

28 CFR § 35.150 (a)



#### Background

- Madison enacted an ADA Transition Plan in the 1990s
- Has maintained compliance, although some of the elements of that compliance have become somewhat decentralized over time.
- The City of Madison has grown and changed significantly since the 1990's.
- The compliance requirements have evolved.

As a result, our ADA Transition Plan needs to be updated to **ensure legal compliance accessibility and usability** of the City's programs and facilities.

## **A Transition Plan must**

- Identify physical barriers in public facilities that limit the accessibility of programs or activities for people with disabilities,
- Describe the methods that will be used to make the facilities accessible,
- Make a specific schedule with steps to be taken each year that are necessary to achieve compliance; and
- Name the official responsible for implementation of the plan.

(28 CFR § 35.150(d)(3))

## **Project Roles**



Lead Staff: Rebecca Hoyt, Disability Rights and Services Specialist

Lead Agency: Department of Civil Rights



Key Collaborators: Office of the City Attorney, Access to Independence, Public Right of Way Workgroup, Engineering, and other relevant agency staff



Agency Responsibilities: Self-Evaluation Schedule, cost, and priorities for removal of barriers

## Process & Elements

- Designation of Responsible Employee (ADA Coordinator)
- ✓ Complaint Process
- ✓ Develop internal design standards
- ✓ Self-Evaluation
- Approving a schedule and budget for the Transition Plan
- Notice & public engagement
- Monitoring the progress on the implementation of the Transition Plan.

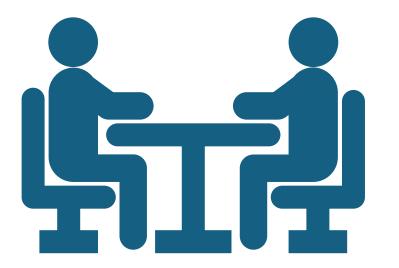


#### Programs, Activities, and Services

**Facilities** 

Employment

Public Right of Way



## **Programs Services and Activities**

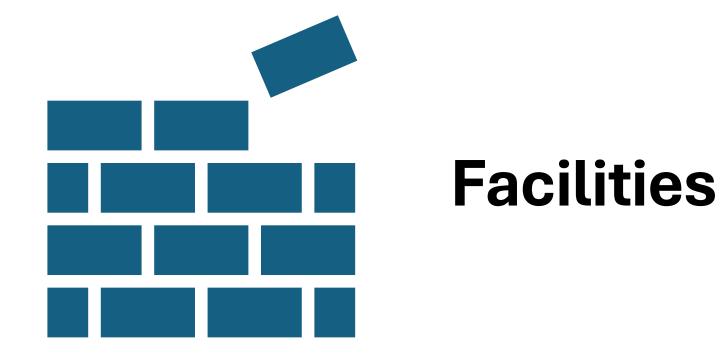
## Self-Evaluation

#### **Department Questionnaire**

- Programs, Services and Activities
- Supplemental: Ticketing for Accessible Seating

#### **Centralized Services**

- Review of policies and procedures
- Consultation with relevant staff



## Self-Evaluation

Each Department completed an evaluation for all relevant facilities within their jurisdiction.

- Buildings, Offices, Recreation facilities <u>2010</u> <u>ADA Design Standards Existing Facilities</u> <u>Checklist</u>
- Public Transit Facilities <u>Final FTA ADA Circular</u> <u>4710.1.</u>
- Residential facilities dwelling units were evaluated based on US Access Board <u>Accessibility Standards Section 233</u>
- City Shelters based on US Access Board Accessibility Standards Section 244.

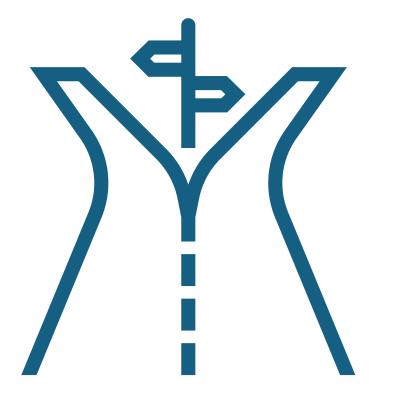


## **Employment**

## Self-Evaluation

Disability Rights and Services Program (ADA Coordinator):

- Review of policies and procedures
- Consultation with relevant staff
- Review of employee facilities evaluations



## **Public Right of Way**

## **Public Right of Way Team**

Working Team –

- Disability Rights and Services Program
- Department of Civil Rights
- Access to Independence
- Office of the City Attorney
- Madison Metro
- Traffic Engineering
- Streets Division

Responsible for -

- Completing facilities inventory
- Listing physical barriers with consideration of updates to PROWAG standards
- Developing a description and schedule of methods to remove barriers
- Identifying official responsible

Public Right-of-Way Inventory

- Crosswalks and crosswalk signals
- Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons (RRFBs)
- Curb cuts
- Driveway aprons in the pedestrian network
- Stairs
- Sidewalks
- Pedestrian and shared-use paths
- Bus stops and bus rapid transit (BRT) stations

## Scope of Findings and Schedule

The findings of the self-evaluation will include a description of the barriers to access. The schedule will include estimated costs, and a timeline to remove access barriers and meet minimum compliance with PROWAG and other relevant standards. Specifically:

- 1. Number and locations of curb cuts to be installed
- 2. Number and locations of accessible bus pads to be installed
- 3. Ongoing Traffic Signals and Street Safety Improvements
- 4. Ongoing Sidewalk and Curb Ramp Repair and Replacement Programs
- 5. Additional recommendations

## Traffic Signals and Street Safety Improvements

- Prioritizes proven safety countermeasures such as setting appropriate speed limits, enhancing crosswalk visibility, improving lighting and adding traffic calming safety improvements.
- Residents request safety improvements in the public right-of-way including audible pedestrian signals, street lighting, street signs, pavement markings, and report concerns related to biking or walking, speeding issues, and traffic signals

<u>Request a Safety Improvement</u> on our website or by contacting Traffic Safety at <u>traffic@cityofmadison.com</u> or 608-266-4761.

## Sidewalk and Curb Ramp Repair and Replacement Programs

- New projects incorporate ADA and PROWAG design standards with inspections carried out in the construction process
- Sidewalk Repair Program fixes barriers like uneven surfaces or raised edges.
- Sidewalk Replacement Program rotating through the alder districts on a 10-year cycle.

Report a <u>Sidewalk Concern</u> through our website or by contacting Bill McGlynn, Sidewalk Program Supervisor at 608-266-4537 or <u>wmcglynn@cityofmadison.com</u>.

# THE FUTURE

Questions?

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