

The Pedestrian Bicycle Enhancement Program NEEDS:

- To make equity a key funding consideration
 - Address historic underinvestment in traffic safety and address disparities in access
 - Ensure improvements are not made just in areas where people have the time to go to meetings or create neighborhood campaigns
 - Continue to make improvements
- To make improvements for walking, biking and access to transit stops
 - Neighborhoods have a wide range of traffic and transportation concerns
 - A program focused on walking, biking and accessing transit stops has value
 - Includes funding specifically to address school area concerns related to the safety of walking/biking to school
- To be flexible
 - Current process allows staff to work across departments to find the best solutions
 - Current process allows for suggestion/concern to be addressed through a larger project already planned
- To have project selection criteria that is focused on program goals and is data-based
 - Selection criteria focused on program goals to select projects that are impactful
 - Selection is not based on most vocal or connected residents or neighborhoods
- To be manageable
 - Current program requires a significant level of staff time to ensure suggestions/concerns are fully reviewed, designed and delivered.
 - A more involved process may require additional staff or longer project delivery time.
 - Needs to be explainable to residents by elected officials and staff.

The Pedestrian Bicycle Enhancement Program SHOULD:

- Continue to allow small improvements to be made that improve walking and biking
 - Small improvements make a significant impact on walking/biking/transit desirability, real and perceived safety and accessibility.
 - Funding for large scale improvements requires a longer wait time in which small improvements could have been deployed with significant results.
- Be easy to make suggestions/raise concerns and empower residents to address concerns in their neighborhood to improve walking and biking
 - Currently people send suggestions/concerns via email, via phone calls, Report a Problem, at NRT meetings, or directly at other meetings or events. Entry of a suggestion/concern is not limited to any one entry point or willingness to participate in collecting signatures, attending meetings or other larger commitments.
 - Suggestions/concerns may come from a resident, an Alder, a staff person, a community organization, a neighborhood association.