

What is Active Transportation?

Active transportation is daily travel powered by human energy. Walking, biking and taking transit (which often involves walking or biking) are all means of active transportation. Encouraging active travel means creating seamless networks of safe, accessible streets and trails.

Promoting active transportation can:

- help create safer streets
- help reduce the causes of global climate change
- promote a healthy environment
- limit adverse health impacts related to inactivity
- provide equity and access to viable, affordable transportation options
- support local businesses



East Portland in Motion Report and Next Steps

East Portland in Motion is a report that lists and describes priority pedestrian, bicycle and access-to-transit projects to be built over the next five years, along with encouragement and education programs. The report also documents the **public process and research** that informed these recommendations.

We encourage you to review the draft report, available in digital and hard copy (see below). After public review and comment, the report will be presented to City Council in autumn 2011.

In order to avoid losing a year of investment, PBOT is currently **moving forward with projects** that have broad community support.

Review the Draft Report:

Visit the website. The **East Portland in Motion** website has a downloadable PDF copy of the draft report, along with other project materials.

www.portlandonline.com/transportation/epim

Contact us. For more information, or to see a hard copy of the draft report, feel free to contact:

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East Portland in Motion A Five-Year Implementation Strategy for Active Transportation

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East Portland in Motion is:

- an implementation strategy that helps the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) identify which **pedestrian, bicycle and access-to-transit** projects to build over the next five years.
- focused on areas of Portland **east of 82nd Avenue**, home to more than 164,000 people.



East Portland in Motion has been developed in collaboration with community partners:

- East Portland Neighborhood Office Land Use & Transportation Committee
- East Portland Action Plan Bike Committee
- Residents and business owners participating through public workshops, community events, stakeholder interviews and public surveys



Walking & Taking Transit



PBOT has secured funding to fill **20 critical gaps in East Portland's sidewalk network**. Sidewalks will be built on busy roads like Division, Stark and 122nd, as well as neighborhood collector streets like SE 136th Avenue and NE Prescott Street.

Some sidewalks will include a furnishing zone with trees and landscaping, while others will be simple, curb-tight sidewalks that provide a safe place to walk in a cost effective manner.

PBOT will also construct dozens of **pedestrian crossings** in East Portland over the next five years. These will help people safely cross busy streets to **access bus stops**, stores, homes and other destinations.



Bicycling



Bicycle projects in East Portland will focus on creating **neighborhood greenways**. These are low-traffic, low-speed streets where bicyclists and pedestrians are given priority, safety is improved, and the environment is enhanced, all while maintaining vehicle access to private property.

PBOT has worked with *EPAPbike* for more than a year to identify the best routes for neighborhood greenways in East Portland. Nearly 30 miles of neighborhood greenways will be established over the next five years in East Portland.

Other bicycle projects will include **new or enhanced bike lanes** on arterial streets, as well as **bicycle parking** at major destinations such as MAX stations and shopping centers.



Encouragement & Education



East Portland in Motion also recommends **programs** that encourage people to use active transportation and provide resources to help them do so. PBOT's **Safe Routes to School** program will expand to five school districts in East Portland, and the **High Crash Corridor Safety Project** will add two new streets in East Portland.

PBOT will also bring the year-long **SmartTrips** program back to East Portland. SmartTrips helps people reduce drive-alone trips while increasing biking, walking, public transit ridership, carpooling, car sharing and combining trips.

Programs will pay special attention to East Portland's remarkable **diversity** of heritage, languages, incomes and travel habits.

