



Vision

South Burlington is building a sustainable, equitable, and accessible future where active transportation is the priority for our network of roads, sidewalks, paths, and trails. We are building a City which makes walking, biking, rolling, transit, and other active or shared modes of transportation the convenient, safe, and natural choice for our residents and visitors of all ages and abilities, and in all seasons. Shifting trips away from vehicles towards active and shared modes of transportation on safe infrastructure will contribute to the City and State goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving safety and health outcomes for everyone. The City acknowledges that working towards this vision will necessitate certain trade-offs between the transportation goals and values, and that striking a balance while retaining the integrity of a safe and comfortable active transportation network is key. Through thoughtful policies, programming, design, and implementation, South Burlington aims to prioritize the following goals:

Goals

Safety – Improve safety outcomes for people who walk, bike, and roll through projects, policies, and programs.

Connectivity – Develop an interconnected citywide active transportation network, linking residential areas, employment centers, educational institutions, recreational areas, transit hubs, and other key destinations to support active transportation.

Equity – Foster an environment where all community members, irrespective of their background, socioeconomic status, or other demographic characteristics, have equitable access to active transportation options on a network which connects housing, employment, and services of all types.

Accessibility – Increase access to all forms of transportation for individuals of all ages and abilities, so everyone can get where they need to go safely without relying on a vehicle.

Health – Promote active transportation as a means to improve public health by encouraging physical activity and reducing pollution.

Climate Focus – Implement active transportation strategies that help reduce carbon emissions, shift mode shares away from vehicles, and contribute towards mitigating climate change.

Feasibility – Plan and implement walking, biking, and rolling projects that minimize engineering and/or funding challenges so that they can be implemented rapidly.

Maintenance – Preserve and improve the condition of the City's active transportation infrastructure by conducting regular inspections and programming and performing regular maintenance activities to support safe and usable infrastructure throughout the year. During winter months, implement snow and ice control measures to maintain clear and safe access to active transportation infrastructure and routes.