PLAN forward
Transportation & Mobility

Transportation Needs

The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) is grounded in an understanding of the transportation challenges facing Lincoln and Lancaster County today, and those expected to emerge over the next 25 years. Together, these challenges shaped the plan's goals, investment priorities, and recommendations. Key challenges we are trying to solve with the LRTP and Lincoln Mobility Plan include:

1. **Keeping Up with Growth:** Long-term infrastructure investment across Lincoln and Lancaster County is necessary to accommodate increased travel demand, maintain acceptable travel times, and support safe and efficient movement across all modes of transportation.

2. **Maintaining Streets and Bridges:** Proactive investment in Lincoln and Lancaster County streets and bridges is necessary to maintain infrastructure in good condition and avoid higher costs and closure risks associated with delayed improvements.

3. **Improving Transportation Safety:** Targeted safety improvements are needed to reduce serious crashes, particularly near downtown and along corridors such as O Street, 13th Street, 27th Street, and 48th Street, with attention to people walking, biking, and using transit.

4. **Maintaining Reliable Travel on Key Corridors:** Investments in Lincoln's key corridors are needed to manage growing congestion and maintain reliable travel times, particularly along O Street, Cornhusker Highway, 27th Street, 84th Street, Highway 77, and I-80 interchanges.

5. **Expanding Transportation Access:** Reliable transportation options are needed across the community to provide access to jobs, schools, healthcare, and other important destinations.

6. **Connecting the Bicycle Network:** Closing network gaps and improving challenging crossings are needed to create a more continuous, connected citywide system of trails and bikeways.

7. **Making Short Trips Easier Without a Car:** Improvements to sidewalks, arterial crossings, rail crossings, and other barriers are needed to make walking and biking safer and more comfortable for short trips throughout the community.

8. **Improving Transit Connectivity and Flexibility:** Improvements to the transit network are needed to provide more convenient cross-town travel and connections while reducing travel times and inconvenient transfers.

9. **Improving First- and Last-Mile Transit Connections:** Safe and convenient connections to StarTran stops are needed. Some StarTran stops are not as easily reached using other modes.

10. **Improving Rail Crossings:** Improvements at rail crossings are needed to reduce delays and safety risks, particularly at high-impact locations such as 33rd Street and Cornhusker Highway.

The Process

- Data Development
- Vision, Goals & Performance Measures
- Public Engagement Phase I
- Future Analysis, Costs & Scenarios
- Public Engagement Phase II
- Financial Plan
- Draft Mobility Plan (LMP) — we are here
- Draft Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
- Plans Adopted