



Project 41

Community Connecting Small Programs

ATHENS IN MOTION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This program would fund Athens in Motion bike/ped/safety projects that are **smaller in nature** and could be implemented quicker than traditional long linear projects. The Program would include projects that would increase safety by closing gaps in the sidewalk and bike lane networks in the county, increase ADA conformance, allow new ideas to be tested (pilot projects) and allow plan street reconfigurations that would improve safety.

PROPOSED PROGRAMS

Sidewalk Gaps



Bike Lane Gaps



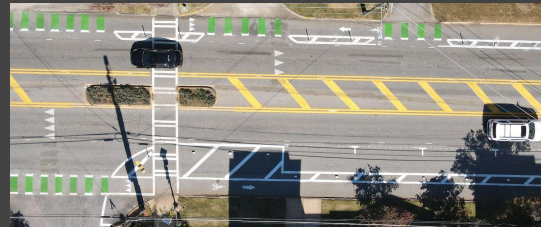
ADA Improvements



Pilot Projects



Complete Streets Implementation



SIDEWALK GAPS

Description:

This program will identify, prioritize, and fill in gaps in our existing sidewalk infrastructure.

Purpose:

There is currently no budget for filling in sidewalk gaps. This program would allow for us to be responsive to community needs

Goal:

4 projects per year over 5 years



Pedestrian walking along Tallassee Road near Westchester Drive

BIKE LANE GAPS

Description:

This program will identify, prioritize, and fill gaps in our existing bicycle infrastructure.

Purpose:

Enhance the bikeability of the community and improve the safety of our existing bike infrastructure.

Goal:

2 projects per year over 5 years



*Bike Lane ends abruptly
along Oglethorpe Avenue near Sunset Drive*

ADA IMPROVEMENTS

Description:

This program will identify, prioritize, and remove ADA barriers within our existing sidewalk infrastructure.

Purpose:

Ensure that sidewalks are accessible to everyone, regardless of their physical abilities.

Goal:

Identify and fix trip hazards and identify and remove ADA barriers in existing sidewalk network



Utility poles in a sidewalk along Lumpkin Street

PILOT PROJECTS

Description:

This program will identify, prioritize, and install smaller pilot projects around Athens-Clarke County on our locally owned roads and in neighborhoods.

Purpose:

Test innovative solutions that enhance safety for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists. These temporary measures allow for evaluation before potential wider implementation.

Goal:

1 project per year for 5 years



Temporary curb extension in Sacramento, CA

COMPLETE STREETS IMPLEMENTATION

Description:

This program will identify and prioritize potential lane reallocation opportunities around Athens-Clarke County on our locally owned roads.

Purpose:

Optimize roadways for various modes of transportation, creating a safer and more balanced transportation network.

Goal:

1-2 smaller projects per year for 5 years



The Prince Avenue lane reallocation reduced vehicular speeds while minimizing delays, creating a safer experience for vulnerable road



Prince Avenue was both a Pilot project and a Complete Streets Implementation



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The End of the Road...

**We're approaching
the end of our time
together**

**And what happens
next depends on you**





Remember...

**There are no funds pre-designated
in TSPLOST 2026 for this kind of
safe, connected infrastructure.**

And there's nothing in the General Budget for it either.



HERE'S SOME

INSPIRATION

Before we part...

2007



Bill Kennedy Way, Atlanta; Beltline connector
INSPIRATION

2017



Bill Kennedy Way, Atlanta; Beltline connector
INSPIRATION



TODAY

Separated 2-way bike lane with attractive planters

Bill Kennedy Way, Atlanta; Beltline connector
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2015



Marietta Boulevard, West Side Beltline

INSPIRATION



TODAY

5-lane to 3-lane road diet reconfiguration with separated/protected trail

Marietta Boulevard, West Side Beltline
INSPIRATION

2022



Prince Avenue, Athens

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TODAY

**4-lane to 3-lane
road diet,
separated/
protected bike
lanes with
additional
safety
improvements**



Prince Avenue, Athens
INSPIRATION



TLDR:

**These projects will strategically
implement the next phase of
ped/bike/etc transportation
infrastructure in Athens-Clarke County**



**TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD
THE SAFE, CONNECTED
TRANSPORTATION NETWORK
OF OUR DREAMS**

THANK YOU

TSPLOST 2026 Projects

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THANK YOU!



PROJECT MAP

Projects across the entire network are illustrated in **Figure 4-2**. Additional detail for each project can be found in **Appendix C**.

Figure 4-2: Project Map and Tier Rankings

