METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN 2050

Central Arkansans desire a region with a high-quality transportation system that connects well planned, vibrant communities. Through Metroplan's outreach with its Regional Advisory Committees, five themes arose to guide the region's evolution over the next 20 years and beyond. These aspirational assertions provide the framework for actionable strategy development that will influence policy decisions in our region.

Themes and Descriptions



1: Active Neighborhoods and Placemaking

Transportation investments and land development practices should achieve active walkable and bikeable communities, transit readiness, and quality public places, while supporting economic vitality and livable communities.



2: Accessible Transportation

Transportation infrastructure should link the region's jurisdictions, neighborhoods, and activity centers by defining a robust, seamlessly connected multi-modal system. All users should have access to affordable transportation options that link homes, employment and essential services.



3. Reliable, Resilient, and Safer Transportation and Environments

The transportation system should be designed and maintained to address infrastructure condition, congestion, safety, and environmental impacts. The transportation system should support needs of a region with varying urban, suburban, and rural populations and landscapes.



4. Innovation in Transportation and Land Development

From policy to infrastructure construction and maintenance, innovative ideas and technologies should be deployed to benefit pedestrians, motorists, transit riders, cyclists, and telecommuters. Freight movements should be optimized using intermodal connectivity.



5. Regional Collaboration and Identity

Regional partnerships, policies, and programs should encourage local policy decisions and investments that foster a connected and equitable transportation system that elevates Central Arkansas nationally.











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