

Sustainable Northampton:

Focus on...  *Transportation*



Goals

Ensure the safe and efficient transportation of goods and people by motor vehicles, bicycle, foot and any other means

Improve circulation system to accommodate development and encourage bicycle and pedestrian transit

Improve and expand public transit

Support federal and state investments in transportation improvements

Provide appropriate bicycle and vehicle parking to support local businesses

Photos: Detail of stairway bike rail to assist bicyclists from rail trail bridge down to Main Street; roundabout on Route 9 at Look Park; bike racks at Forbes Library's book return; bike path, Leeds

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<i>how our budgets are supporting this goal</i>	
FY 2011	FY 2012
	Florence Recreation Fields plans include multipurpose path, and we hope to extend the path to connect Spring St. to the other end of Meadow St., near Lilly Library.
CEDO provides CDBG funding for roadway, sidewalk, and bicycle improvements in low income neighborhoods in the City.	
Parking Division designed and installed a bike rail on the staircase leading from the rail trail bridge over Main Street to assist bike commuters.	
Planning coordinated transportation charrette to create vision of a transportation system that serves all modes better, so that all modes are comfortable on all streets.	
DPW completed City wide pavement management assessment.	
Police, Fire, Dispatch and Ambulance work to provide response to motor vehicle collisions including treating and transporting the injured, stabilizing hazards and the rapid restoration of transportation routes.	
Dispatch process complaints of reckless operation and sends officers to enforce motor vehicle laws.	

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Planning supported efforts of measures to make streets truly multi-modal, including Jackson St. Safe Routes to School.	
Lilly Library's custodian maintains its sidewalks and walkways through the winter for safe pedestrian access.	
DPW created new bike lanes on Elm Street, South Street and Route 66.	

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Through the Cherry Sheet & non-appropriated uses, we paid \$316,186 for PVRTA routes serving Northampton.

VSO advocated with state DVS to address issues of inadequate transportation options for disabled and low income vets who need to get to work and medical appointments.

DPW Assisted MassDOT with a transit preemption project to provide priority traffic signals for public bus routes.

In FY2012, we will pay \$360,619 for PVRTA routes. These community payments help keep the PVRTA affordable and available.

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Planning supported North / Summer / King intersection design; North King / Hatfield St intersection design; rail trail improvements at street connections; planning safety related road narrowing on Main St; permit requirements for private sector driven transportation improvements.

Energy Officer working with Parking Commissioner and other city departments to seek grants/ funding to install electric vehicle charging stations at the parking garage and in other city parking lots.

Support federal and state investments in transportation improvements