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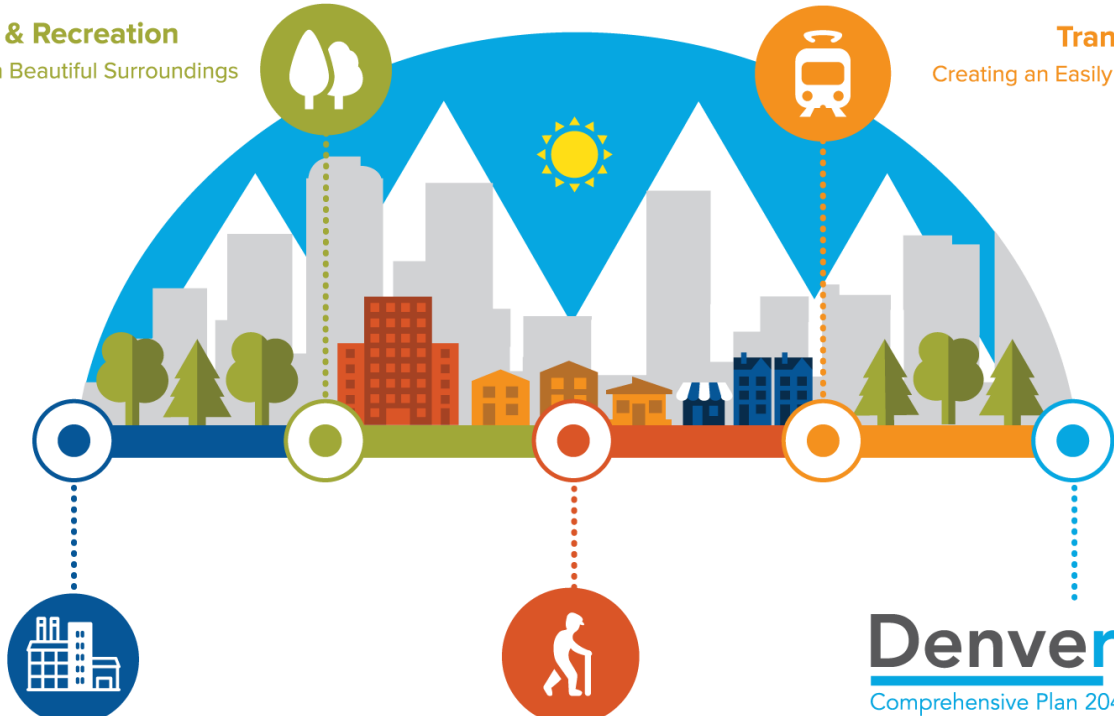
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Land Use, Transportation, Infrastructure Committee
September 11, 2018



Parks & Recreation
Fun Activities in Beautiful Surroundings

Transit
Creating an Easily Traversable City



Land Use & Transportation
Neighborhood Character and Quality of Life

Pedestrians & Trails
Connecting People and Neighborhoods

Denverright.
Comprehensive Plan 2040

Community Engagement – To Date (approx.)

Pre-Launch



16,000



6,000

Post-Launch
(Aug 6-Sept 10th)



1,300

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THE *Vision* FOR DENVERIGHT IS:



Comprehensive Plan 2040

WHAT IS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

A holistic and sustainable vision to guide the future of Denver

Comprehensive Plan 2040 creates a **vision** and **goals** to tie together the city's plans and policies



CITYWIDE PLANS



- Generated by multiple departments
- Contain detailed goals, objectives and strategies

- Reflect the vision and advance the goals established in the comprehensive plan

VISION ELEMENT



In 2040...

Denver is an equitable, inclusive community with a high quality of life for all residents, regardless of income level, race, ethnicity, gender, ability or age.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

- Affordable housing
- Affordable and equitable access to basic services and amenities
- Mitigating involuntary displacement
- Highlighting equity, defining it, and integrating it into city policies, processes and plans

VISION ELEMENT



In 2040...

Denver's neighborhoods are complete, unique, diverse and economically strong.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

- Complete neighborhoods
- Urban design
- Historic preservation
- Neighborhood-scale economic development
- Improving citizen involvement in planning
- Equitable neighborhood planning processes
- Public Safety

VISION ELEMENT



In 2040...

Denver is connected by safe, high-quality, multimodal transportation options.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

- Multimodal network
- Improve equity, accessibility and affordability of multimodal options
- Safety (support for Vision Zero)
- Use public streets to create great places
- Innovative parking and other transportation technologies

VISION ELEMENT



In 2040...

Denver is a global city with a robust economy that reflects the diversity of our community.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

- Economic mobility and access to opportunity
- Authentic neighborhood businesses
- Diversified economy
- Arts, culture and creative placemaking
- Innovative economy

VISION ELEMENT



In 2040...

Denver is a thriving, livable city connected to nature and resilient to the forces of climate change.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

- Climate change and adaptation
- Water conservation
- Stormwater and green infrastructure
- Protecting waterways and the river
- Solid waste reduction

VISION ELEMENT



In 2040...

**Denver is a city of safe, accessible
and healthy communities.**

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

- Healthy and active environments
- Parks and recreation
- Nutritious and affordable food
- Increase access to health services
- Integrate health analysis into city policies, plans, and processes

A Living Document

- Annual reporting after adoption
- Cross-department collaboration to implement and track progress
- Utilize metrics to help measure success

Next Steps

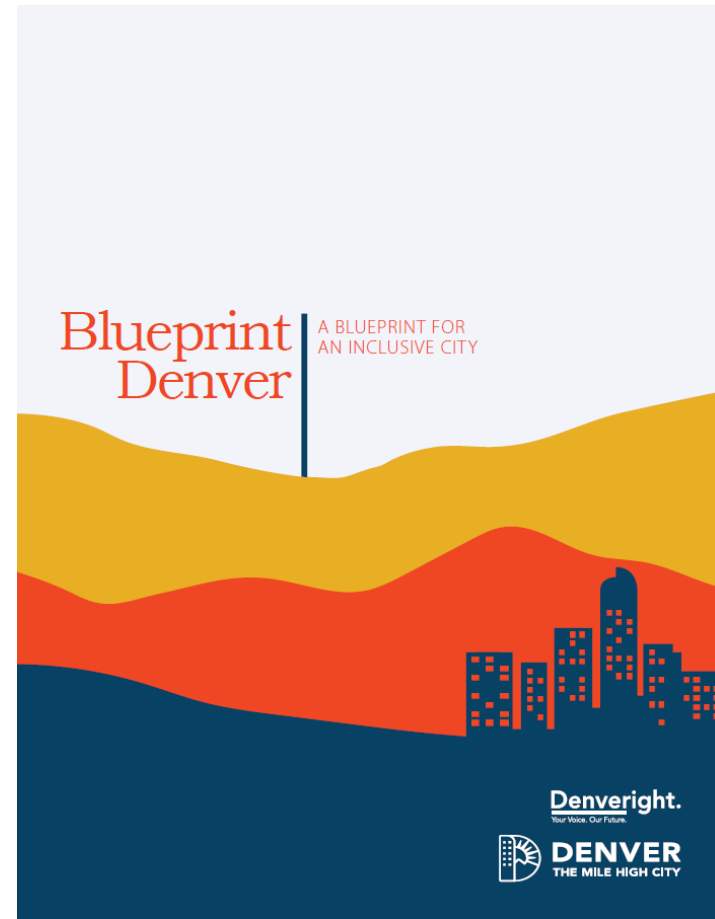
- Public review for three months with other Denveright plans
- Adoption immediately before Blueprint Denver in early 2019

Blueprint Denver

Blueprint Denver Public Review Draft

Land use and transportation plan for growing an inclusive city:

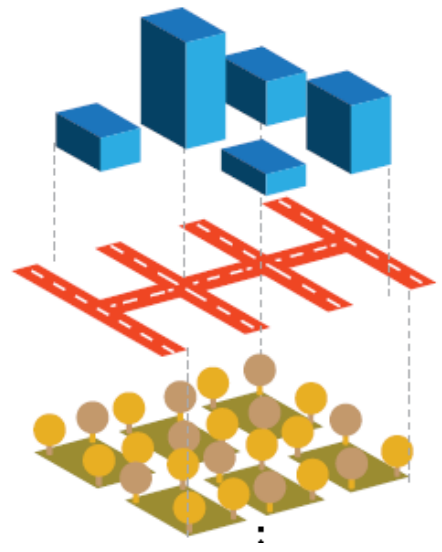
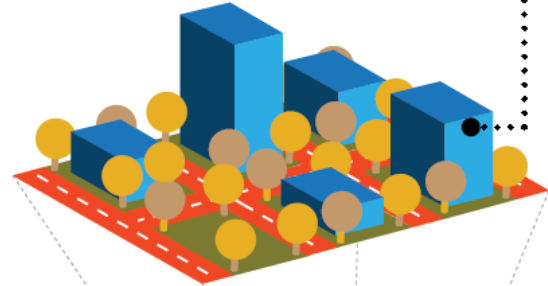
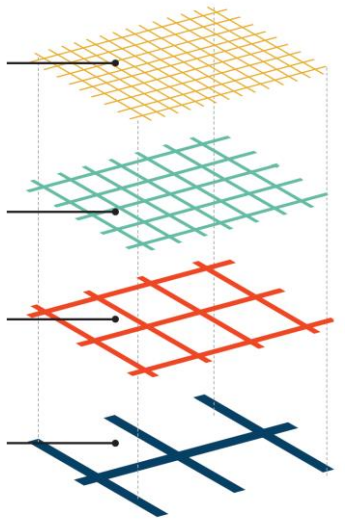
- Creating complete neighborhoods and networks
- Measured, common-sense approach to growth
- Consideration of social equity factors to tailor solutions by neighborhood



Complete Neighborhoods and Networks

Complete Networks

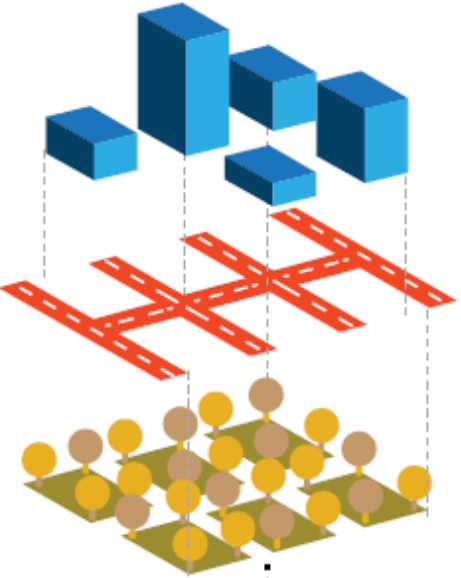
- Pedestrians
- Bicycles
- Transit
- Auto and Goods Movement



Complete Neighborhoods



Elements of a Complete Neighborhood



Can vary by:

Place



Street Type



Neighborhood
Context



Elements of a Complete Network

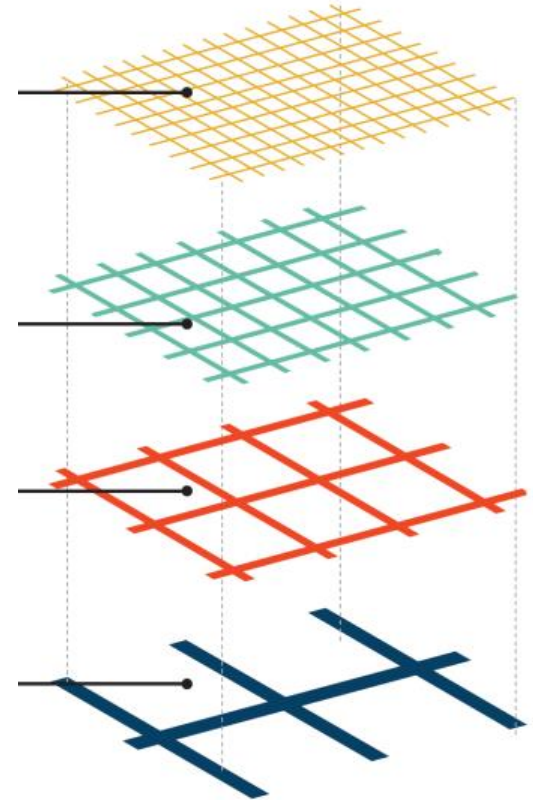
High-quality, continuous transportation networks that prioritize pedestrians, transit, bicycles or cars for seamless mobility throughout the city.

Pedestrians

Bicycles

Transit

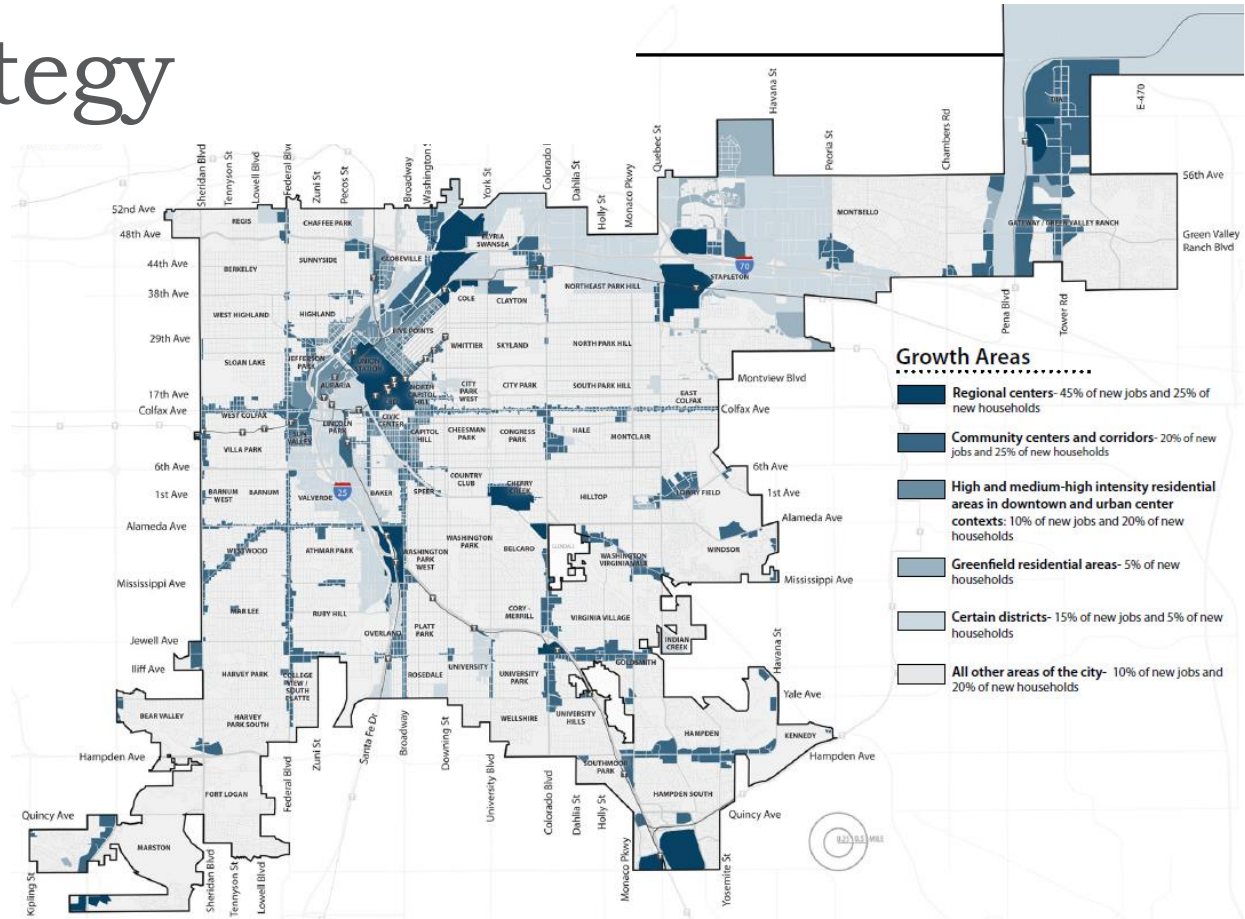
**Auto and
Goods
Movement**



Growth Strategy

Measured, common-sense approach to growth

- Guide most growth to:
 - Regional centers
 - Community centers and corridors
 - High intensity residential areas in downtown and urban centers



Key Equity Concepts

Access to Opportunity

creating more equitable access to quality-of-life amenities, health and education.

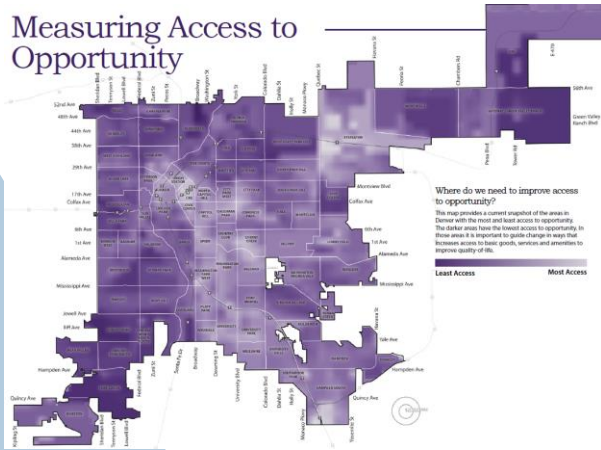
Vulnerability to Displacement

Stabilizing residents and businesses who are vulnerable to involuntary displacement due to increasing property values and rents.

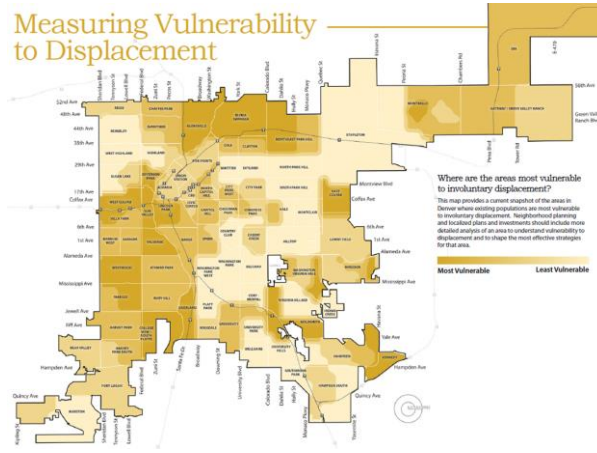
Housing and Jobs Diversity

providing a better and more inclusive range of housing and employment options in all neighborhoods.

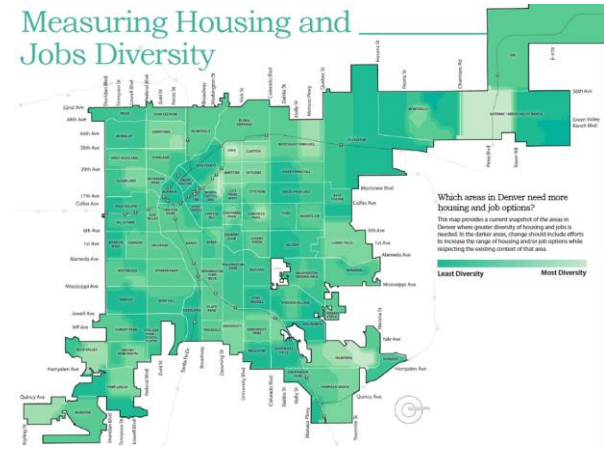
Measuring Access to Opportunity



Measuring Vulnerability to Displacement



Measuring Housing and Jobs Diversity



Community Themes

EQUITY



URBAN DESIGN



WATER AND CLIMATE



Game Plan for a Healthy City

Overall Game Plan Structure

The VISION
describes our desired future

Vision Statement

A Healthy City

4 Guiding Principles



20 Plan Goals

IMPLEMENTATION
is the roadmap to bring that vision to life

5 Pillars

Adapt - Diversify - Grow - Reinvest - Connect

Strategies

Actions &
Recommendations

Vision

A Healthy City

The City of Denver will balance and integrate civic infrastructure into a holistic, functioning urban ecosystem that can adapt to and plan for future challenges, including limited resources.



Five Pillars form the foundation for a Healthy City



GROW

the Park System and Recreational Access



ADAPT

to the Changing Climate and Limited Resources



REINVEST

in Denver's Parks and Recreation Resources and People



DIVERSIFY

Parks and Recreation Services



CONNECT

to Denver's Nature and Culture

Neighborhood Parks and Streetscapes

Greener Streets

healthy right-of-way trees, green infrastructure for stormwater management, complete streets.

Activated Parks and Inclusive Programming

diversity of programming, partnerships with arts and culture organizations, events and uses to activate parks

More Accessible Parks

improved walking and bicycling connections, wayfinding, transit access



Downtown Parks & Streetscapes

Diversity of Programming

greater variety of programming, providing activities for full diversity of Denver's population

More Active Recreation

promoting active, healthy lifestyles and opportunities to play and exercise



Reduced Heat Island and Cooler City

urban tree canopy and green space shades and cools surrounding area

More Access to Nature

shuttles to Mountain Parks; gear check-out stations; urban nature programming

Enhanced, Multiuse Public Realm

multimodal streets; gathering and social spaces; green infrastructure; festivals and event space

Recreation Centers

Improved Experience

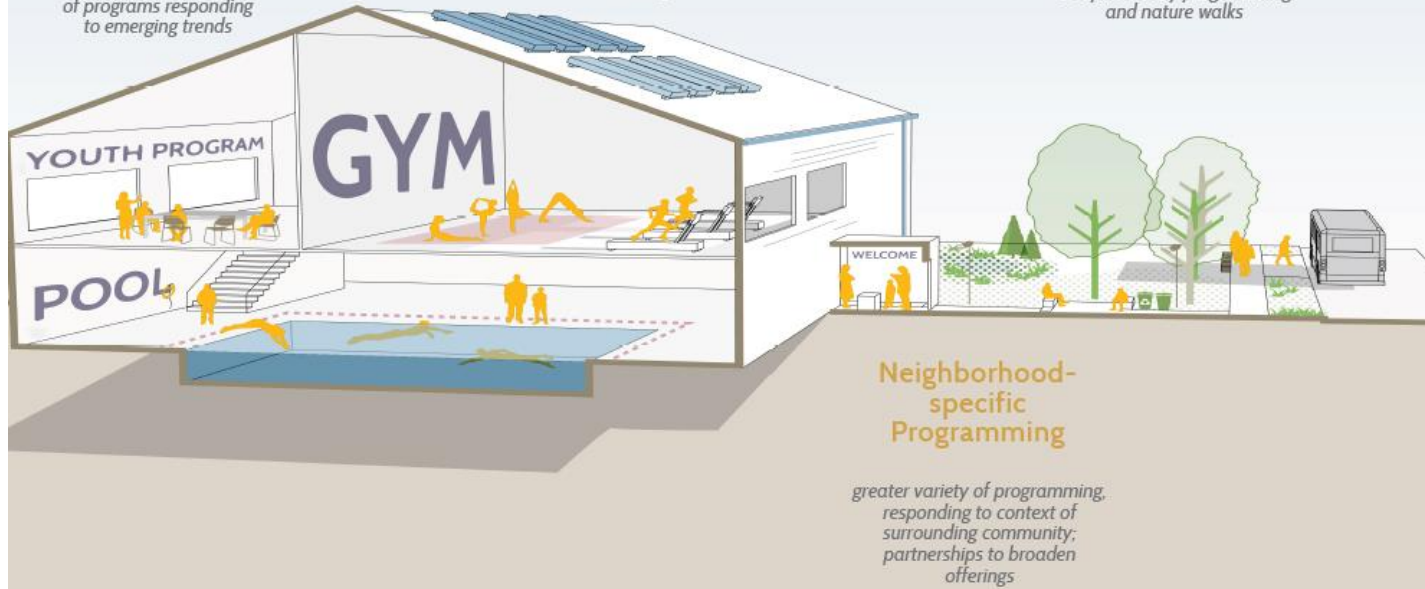
enhanced program quality and customer service; greater variety of programs responding to emerging trends

Expanded Sustainable Practices

continued reduction in energy and water use; sustainable operations; and sustainable landscape practices around buildings

Greater Indoor/Outdoor Connectivity

greater connections between recreation centers and surrounding parks; complimentary programming and nature walks



Greenways, Linear Parks, and Trails

More Diverse Programming

greater variety of activities to enjoy along trails

Better Neighborhood Connections

enhanced access from trails to the community



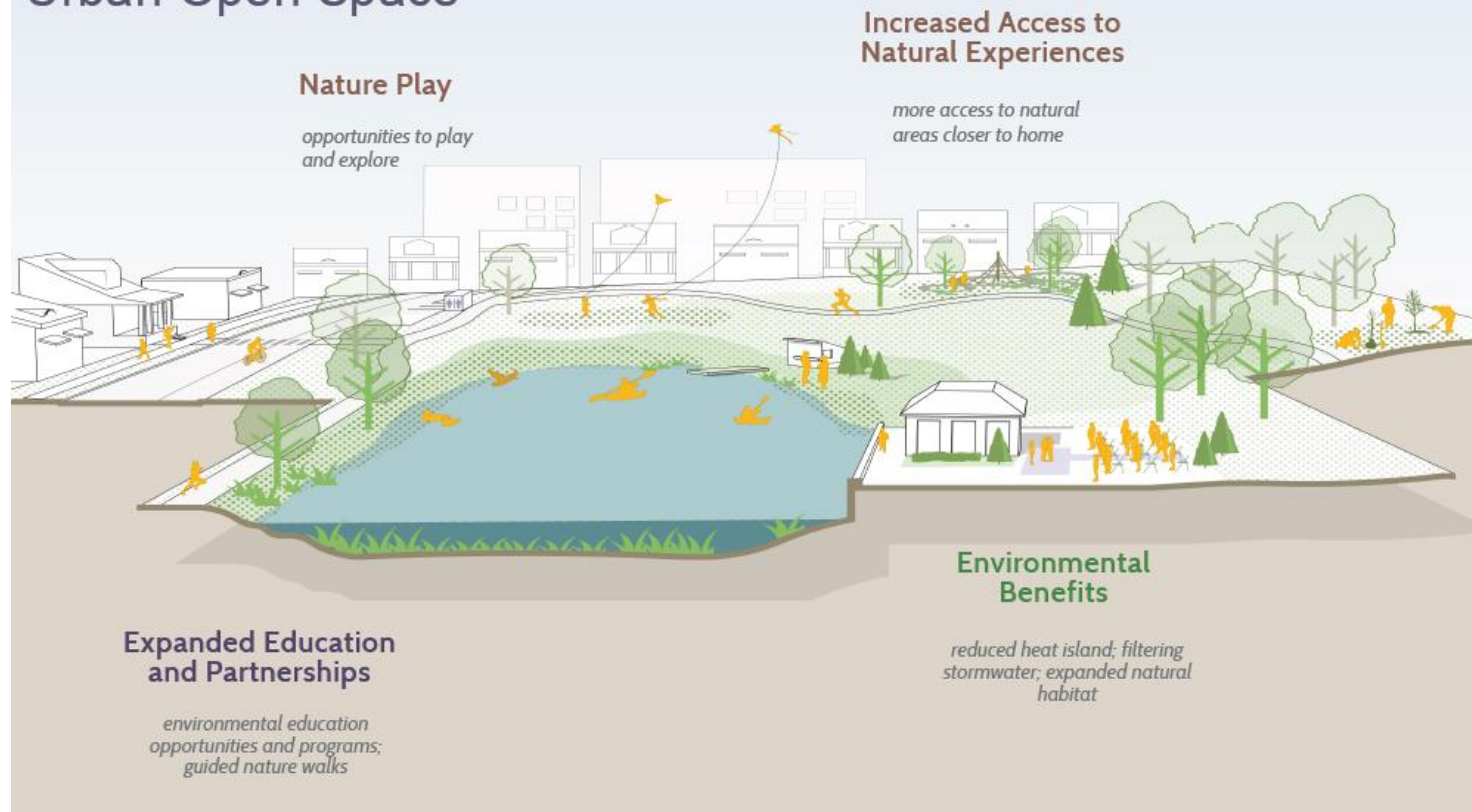
Improved Trail Experience

enhanced quality of trail experience, including safety, connectivity, and wayfinding

Healthier Waterways

restored ecosystems; cleaner water; improved habitat and natural systems

Urban Open Space



Nature Play

opportunities to play and explore

Increased Access to Natural Experiences

more access to natural areas closer to home

Expanded Education and Partnerships

environmental education opportunities and programs; guided nature walks

Environmental Benefits

reduced heat island; filtering stormwater; expanded natural habitat

Mountain Parks

Greater Access and Awareness

shuttles and expanded transportation options; programs to increase access to children and others; communications campaigns

More Diverse Activities and Programming

more variety of things to do beyond hiking and wildlife watching; environmental education programming

Healthier Mountain Ecosystems

resilient, healthy forests; balancing conservation with visitor use



Expanded Amenities and Events

more activities and events celebrating nature, culture, history, and outdoor recreation

Strengthened Funding and Operations

investigate new revenue sources; staffing and maintenance needs; partnerships and volunteers

Preserved Historic Resources

historic preservation and documentation; interpretive signage and events

Implementation Highlights....

Policies for the Future: Departmental commitment to values that guide future decisions

Metrics: Measuring Progress



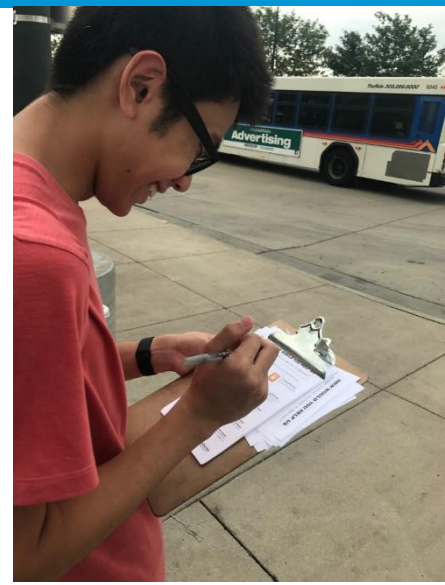
Actions, Recommendations, and Programs
HOW the changes are implemented

3 Year Action Plan - "A Living Document"

Division-level list of annual actions, milestones, and measurable outcomes

Representative
Initial Priority
Actions:

- * Ten Minute Walk Access to a Park
- * Diverse Funding for Growth and Reinvestment
- * Climate-Resilient Park Landscapes
- * Enhanced Recreation Programing
- * Land Acquisition to Keep Up with Growth
- * Equality through Program and Facility Standards
- * Urban Forest Protection and Expansion



Denver Moves: Transit Plan Overview

What is *Denver Moves: Transit*?

- Denver's first citywide transit vision and guiding framework
- Recommends near- and long-term transit investments along key corridors in Denver
- Promotes transit-supportive land use and development
- Identifies first- and final-mile improvements
- Recommends continued support for technology and programs that promote and encourage the use of transit



THE BIG 5 MOVES

Implement High-Quality and Reliable Transit



1. Provide high-quality and reliable transit service through implementation of transit capital investments.
2. Design and enhance transit stops and stations to create a comfortable and safe experience for transit riders.
3. Provide priority to transit on High- and Medium-Capacity Transit Corridors to ensure reliable and safe transit service.

Provide Frequent Service



4. Develop a network of corridors with frequent transit service.

Improve Access and Connections to Transit



5. Integrate and improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities and amenities that provide access and connections to transit.
6. Support the implementation of *Vision Zero* through application of safe access and connections to transit.
7. Encourage first and final mile services, programs, and technology to increase options for transit access and connections.
8. Evaluate curb lane management and off-street parking strategies to support multimodal access and connections.

Build a Sense of Place



9. Create transit-friendly communities and community spaces by integrating transit into projects.
10. Promote transit-supportive land use and development.

Make the Most of our Investments



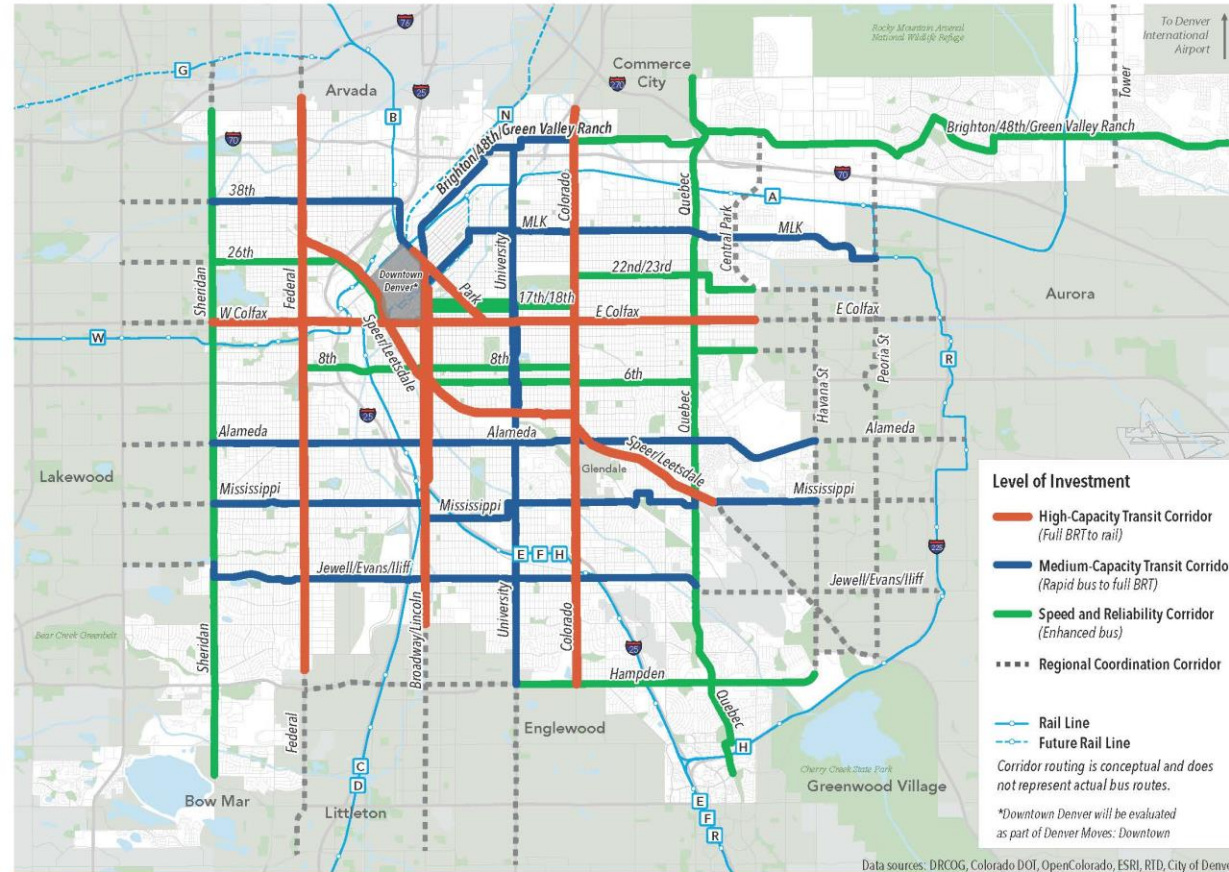
11. Continue to promote, educate, and encourage the use of transit.
12. Support expansion of affordable fare programs and fare payment technology.
13. Encourage the use of sustainable technology in transit and evaluate and promote the environmental benefits of transit.

To achieve the *Denver Moves: Transit* goals and support other citywide and regional goals, the City and its partners should invest in and improve transit in 5 key areas, supported by strategies and implementation, programmatic, and policy actions

Transit Capital Investment Corridors

Chapter 3, Appendices D, E

Denver Moves: Transit identifies 19 Transit Capital Investment Corridors based on analysis and community input. Recommendations for these corridors are organized into 3 levels of investment.



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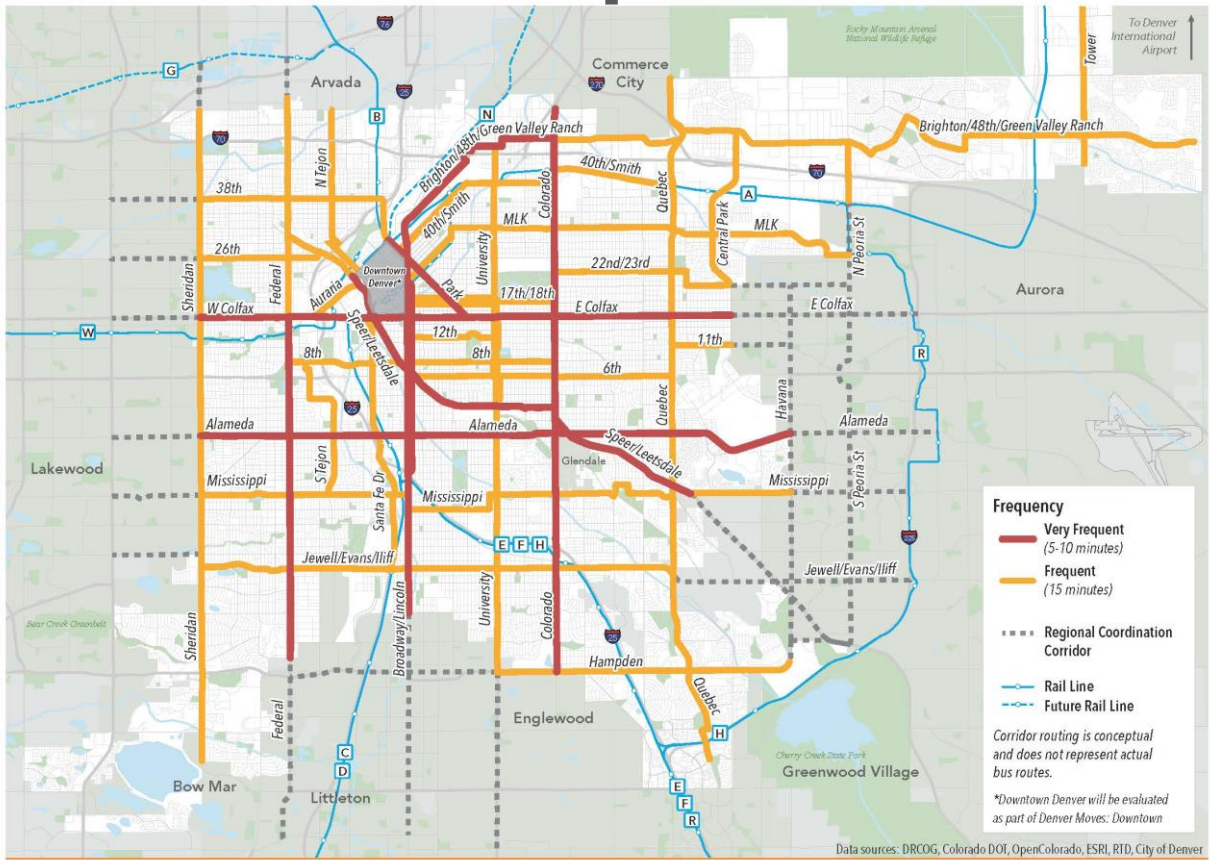
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THE MILE HIGH CITY

Denver's Frequent Transit Network Vision

Chapter 3, Appendix E

The Frequent Transit Network (FTN) is Denver's vision for a network of transit corridors identified for phased implementation of frequent transit service – transit arriving more often throughout the day, seven days a week



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Denver's Frequent Transit Network Vision



July 2018



Transit-supportive
land use

Stop & station enhancements
Placemaking

Pedestrian &
bicycle
improvements

Safe access &
connections

Curb lane
management

High-quality, reliable, frequent transit

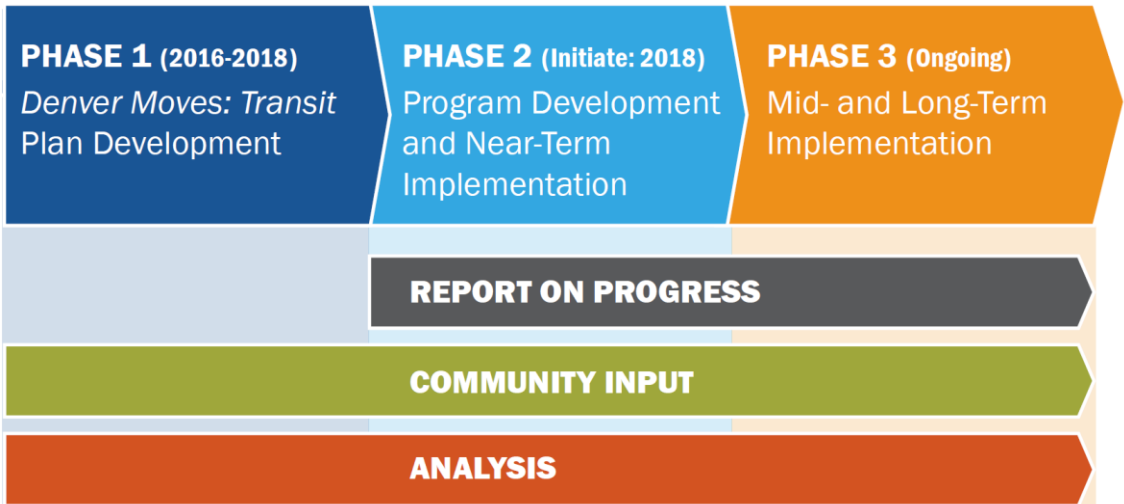
The Complete Transit System

Getting Started and Moving Forward

Implementation of the *Denver Moves: Transit* vision is anticipated through the 3 phases, as priorities and resources are identified.

The phases organize the near-, mid-, and long-term actions, including:

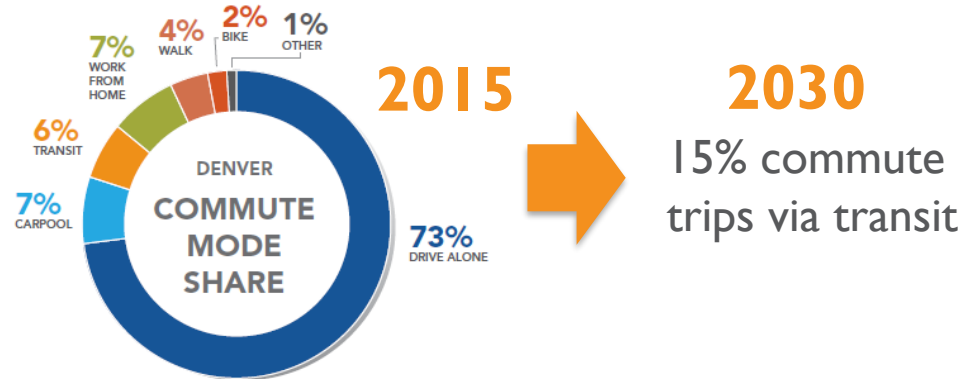
- Building the City’s capacity to manage and implement transit improvements
- Identifying resource and funding needs
- Preparing for the implementation of longer-term projects
- Tracking progress over time



See Chapter 4 for more details about the *Denver Moves: Transit* implementation phases.

Examples of Measuring Success

- Increase in transit commute mode share
- % of households and jobs with access to the Frequent Transit Network
- Number of Capital Investment Corridors implemented
- Supporting other citywide and regional goals and initiatives



Successful implementation of *Denver Moves: Transit* will require coordination, investments, and participation from partners

Denver Moves: Pedestrians & Trails Plan



A Plan for creating a world-class pedestrian environment and trail system in Denver

Expanding Mobility

Sidewalks

Connections to:

- Transit
- Parks
- Schools
- Grocery Stores



Trails

Trail Projects

1. New Trails
2. Crossings
3. Trail Retrofits

A photograph of two women jogging on a wooden pedestrian bridge. The bridge has a metal railing and is supported by white cables. In the background, there are multi-story brick buildings and a blue arch bridge. The sky is clear and blue.

**Making Connections:
Denver Moves: Pedestrians &
Trails identifies major
barriers to mobility and
prioritizes projects to
connect sidewalks/trails**

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