

8 Taking Steps

The Citywide Pedestrian Plan builds on what works well in Glendale today and sets a vision for a safer, healthier, more vibrant, and sustainable community that walks.

This plan provides a blueprint to make walking increasingly safe, comfortable, and enjoyable for Glendale residents and visitors in the coming years. The plan identifies specific actions and investments that will help the city to achieve the goals set forth and to prioritize which steps to take immediately.

The Pedestrian Plan uses a data-driven, equitable, and transparent prioritization approach to target investments in pedestrian projects and programs in the areas with the highest need for pedestrian improvements. The plan also taps into the local knowledge and experiences of Glendale residents—led by the Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee—to understand priorities, frustrations, and community aspirations.

Looking to the successes of Glendale's past, and to the good work happening in the city and region today, this plan helps the City of Glendale chart a path to becoming a great place to walk, a place that uses creative and innovative approaches to provide a safe walking environment for people of all ages and abilities.

Call to Action

The Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) was formed in September 2016 and includes community advocates and stakeholders who helped guide the Pedestrian Plan and will continue to support its implementation.

PSAC members would like to share the following message with Glendale residents:

We, the Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee, are committed to a safe and walkable Glendale. We have worked together and with you over the last year to understand the challenges we face and to develop solutions.

Nearly 100 people are hit while walking each year in Glendale. Our seniors and children are the most frequent victims. To protect them, and everyone else who walks in Glendale, we have to think differently about how we design and use our streets. We must be bold. We must lead. And we must each take responsibility for keeping people safe.

Today, the Pedestrian Plan is complete. But our work, and the city's work, is only beginning. Now it is time to act. We don't have a moment to lose.

Join us.

Join us to make Glendale a safe walking city for people of all ages and abilities.

Join us to support tough choices, especially those that will be required to make our streets safer.

Join us in working together to create positive momentum for change, building projects and implementing programs that will improve walking in Glendale.

Join us in thinking creatively about how we can fully fund this plan.

Join us in making changes in your own actions and behaviors: slowing down, avoiding distraction, and watching out for people walking.

Join us in being Street Smart and in saving lives.

We are one city, one community. Whether we live in North, South, East, or West Glendale, we are united on this issue. We are committed to making sure that no more lives are lost. Walk with us on this journey to make Glendale the safest place for people to walk.

Figure 8-1 Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee Members Shaping the Pedestrian Plan



Source: City of Glendale