

# Transportation

Our transportation choices shape our city and ourselves. The ease with which we can move around determines how we spend our time each day, where we can go, who we can see, and what we can do.

When travelling is accessible and affordable for all ages and abilities, we can do and see more, or simply spend more time with the people and activities important to us. A livable city must therefore have a transportation system that meets its residents' needs.

## Did You Know?

Much of Vancouver is built around the idea of being able to live, work, play, and shop in the same neighbourhood. This allows people to easily walk or cycle for most trips, and to take transit when they need to travel a little further

More than half of all trips in the city are under 5 km—less than 20 minutes by bike. Yet over half of these trips are currently made by car

Nearly 40% of Vancouver's carbon pollution comes from burning gasoline and diesel in our vehicles

## What is 'Transportation'?



Transit



Walking



Driving



Cycling &  
Micro-mobility



Goods  
Movement



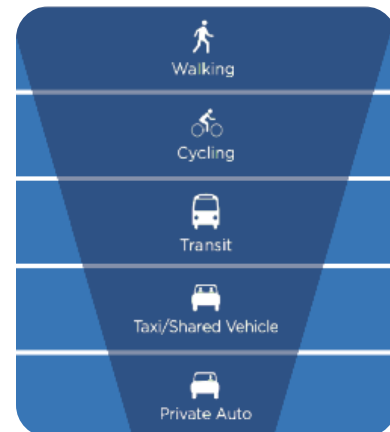
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## Moving People

The City's transportation decisions generally reflect a hierarchy of transportation modes, ranging from walking to private auto - with emphasis placed on walkability, increasing public transit ridership, and reducing the use of private cars. Urban planners often refer to this as 'transit-oriented development'.

When decisions about moving people are being made, the needs and safety of each group of users are considered in priority order. From highest priority to lowest priority, walking is followed by cycling, then transit, taxis and shared vehicles, and finally the private car. Each

mode and user group is given due consideration. This is a general approach and does not mean that users at the top of the list will always receive the most beneficial treatment on every street.



## Transportation Safety Action Plan

Being mindful about how you get around can help make sure everyone gets home safely, whether you're walking, biking, rolling, or driving. Vancouver's ultimate safety goal is to eliminate all fatalities from the transportation system.

A special emphasis is placed on safety for vulnerable road users such as people using active transportation, as well as at-risk groups like children, seniors, and those with mobility challenges.

For example, the City is developing, installing, and upgrading accessible pedestrian signals across Vancouver. These devices use audible tones and feedback to

guide people who are blind or have low vision as to when they can cross the street at a signalized intersection.



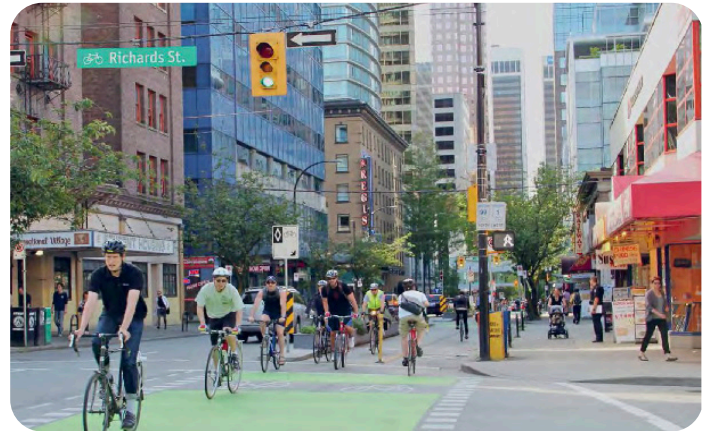
# Transportation 2040

Transportation 2040 is a long-term strategic vision for the city that will help guide transportation and land use decisions as well as public investments for the years ahead.

Did you know? Vancouver is a multi-modal city. This means that we choose the travel methods that meet our needs for a particular trip - sometimes riding transit or driving, sometimes walking or cycling, and often using more than one mode within a single trip. Think about the last journey that you made, how many different methods of travel did you use?

Transportation 2040 is about more than just mobility. As a growing city with limited road space, we need long-term plans like

Transportation 2040 to allow us to use our existing streets more efficiently and move more people in the limited space we have. Ultimately, the transportation vision and goals embrace the three pillars of sustainability: people, the environment, and the economy.



# New Mobility

There are new transportation trends and technologies emerging that could transform the ways we get around.

The future of mobility may include driverless vehicles, connected technology, and more shared mobility services alongside the forms of mobility we're used to using like transit, walking, and cycling.

We may not know exactly how these technologies will continue to develop, but

we have an opportunity to think about how to do things right to keep shaping the city we want.

If you are interested in influencing the transportation decisions of tomorrow, be sure to check out the **'Shape Your City'** website for updates on the latest community engagement opportunities at [www.shapeyourcity.ca](http://www.shapeyourcity.ca)

