

Pedestrian Advisory Committee 2.0

Meeting #1

1/23/2020



THANK YOU!

Thank you for volunteering on the Pedestrian Advisory Committee 2.0 to help improve the pedestrian experience in Boulder.

“We are all pedestrians”





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KEY WEBSITES

General Transportation page: bouldercolorado.gov/transportation

Transportation Master Plan (TMP) page: boulderTMP.net

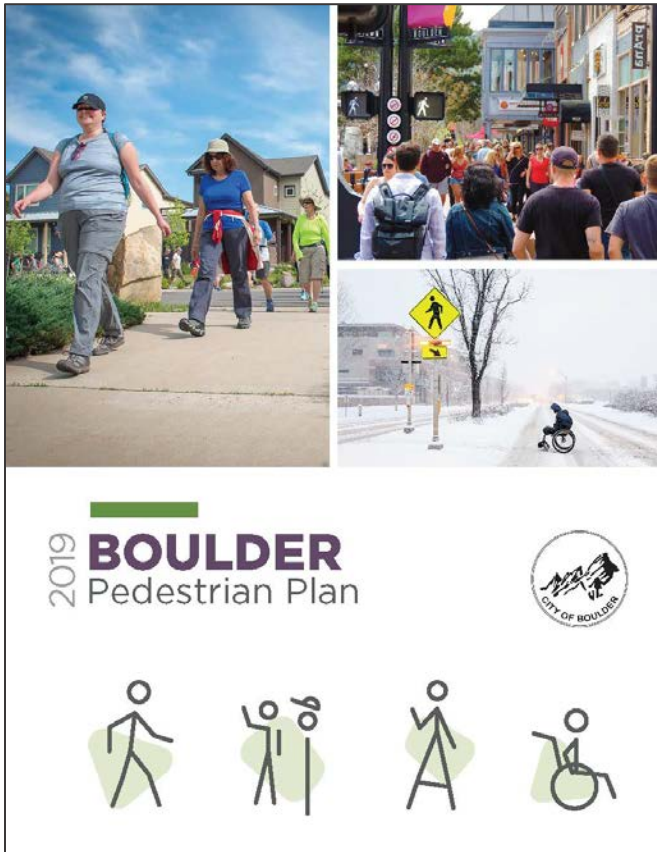
Pedestrian Plan page: bouldercolorado.gov/transportation/pedestrian-system-plan



1. DESIRED MEETING OUTCOMES

- Members get to know each other
- Members understand the expectations of the group (charter)
- New members become familiar with the highlights of the Pedestrian Plan, specifically the implementation
- Members learn about and provide input on Snow and Ice Removal
- Members are informed about recent and upcoming pedestrian-related events

2. PLAN OVERVIEW



The Pedestrian Plan was accepted by City Council (with the updated Transportation Master Plan) on September 17, 2019.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- See following pages.

2019 BOULDER Pedestrian Plan



The Boulder Pedestrian Plan is a bold vision to improve walking and rolling in Boulder for people of **all ages and abilities**. Although much has been accomplished since the 1996 Pedestrian Plan, many **challenges** for pedestrians still exist. There are still **safety** issues, a **lack of destinations** to walk to in some areas of town, **missing sidewalks**, and a **lack of comfortable routes**. We also face challenges **maintaining clear pathways** and **funding** all of the improvements we'd like to make. This is Boulder's plan to improve walking throughout our community.





OUR VISION AND GOALS

Boulder puts pedestrians first by creating a creating an experience that is:



Safe and comfortable:

Walking in Boulder is safe, secure and comfortable for everyone, in support of Boulder's Vision Zero goals.



Equitable and inclusive:

Boulder is walkable and accessible for all, no matter who you are or where you live.



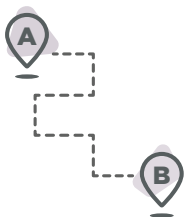
Vibrant and inviting:

Public spaces and pedestrian facilities are vibrant and inviting, and walking is the preferred way to get around.



Healthy for people and the environment:

Walking for transportation and recreation in Boulder is used to achieve improved health outcomes, social connectedness, and a sustainable and resilient environment.



Connected and barrier-free:

Access to destinations and other modes of travel is direct, efficient, barrier-free and integrates new technologies and innovation.

BOULDER'S PEDESTRIAN PLAN POLICIES AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following will guide the implementation of the Pedestrian Plan:

Signal Timing

Continue to assess the effectiveness of intersection/signal timing practices that facilitate pedestrian movement (e.g., Pedestrian Head Starts, protected left turns, No Right Turns on Red) and implement where appropriate.

Pedestrian-focused design

Provide buffers, lighting and illumination, and clear walkways to make walking in Boulder more safe and comfortable.

Crossings

Construct for all ages and abilities at locations that facilitate access to key destinations; make enhancements for comfort and safety.

Driveways

Consolidate where possible and design to be more pedestrian-friendly (e.g., slower vehicle speeds, consistent level for sidewalk surface, reduce conflict points between cyclists and pedestrians).

Sidewalks/Multi-Use Paths

Construct for all ages and abilities with separation from vehicles and bicycles, where possible; keep clear of obstructions.

Intersections

Design for shorter crossing distances, slower vehicle speeds, and separation from cyclists and pedestrians.

Off-Street Multi-Use Paths

Build out Greenways system to seamlessly connect to the rest of the pedestrian network and to support pedestrians and other users co-existing well.

Site Design

Make developments, including parking lots/structures, more pedestrian-friendly by providing clear paths, creating visually active frontages, providing amenities (e.g., shade, shelter), and making pedestrian access prominent and easy.



INITIATIVES

Initiative 1: Culture of Walking

STRATEGY

Normalize walking and strengthen community identity and belonging through pedestrian-focused programs.

Initiative 2: Pedestrian Planning

STRATEGY

Adopt a pedestrian-focused approach in transportation and land use planning and implementation.

Initiative 3: Pedestrian-Focused Design

STRATEGY

Provide pedestrian-focused design elements through corridor plans through corridor plans, access to transit, interdepartmental projects, and other opportunities (ongoing):

Initiative 4: Facility Implementation

STRATEGY

Make sidewalks, multi-use paths, crossings, ramps, and other facilities more pedestrian-friendly for all ages and abilities.

Initiative 5: Maintenance

STRATEGY

Repair and maintain pedestrian facilities to provide a safe and comfortable pedestrian system.

Initiative 6: Prioritized Places for People

STRATEGY

Offer more public space on a temporary or permanent basis to prioritize people walking by investing in pedestrian improvements and restricting motor vehicle access.

WHAT'S NEXT?



Pedestrian Advisory Committee of community members



Pedestrian crossing treatment guideline updates



ADA-related improvements



Review and refinement of snow/ice removal practices and new community-based programs



PAC 1.0 HIGHLIGHTS



PAC members attended a monthly walkabout on December 13, 2018 to experience the different walking conditions across Boulder.



PAC members participated in the "Winter on Wheels" walk and roll event on February 6, 2019.



PAC members gave input on where some of the key actions should be implemented in Boulder.



PAC members were part of a Focus Group that met on August 19, 2019 to review and provide feedback on the draft Pedestrian Plan.



PROGRESS UPDATE SINCE SEPTEMBER 2019 (PLAN ADOPTION)









Action	Status	Progress Details
 <p>1C. Establish baselines and targets for the performance measures described in the How We Will Measure Success section and use in the 2020 Transportation Report on Progress.</p>		Initial research in progress
 <p>1G. Reapply for Walk Friendly Community designation that incorporates a comprehensive assessment of walking conditions in Boulder.</p>		Submitted December 2019. We will be notified of our results in April 2020. With this reapplication, Boulder is hoping to level up from Gold to Platinum status.
 <p>1H. Develop community-based committee to support implementation of the Pedestrian Plan and the ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan.</p>		PAC 2.0 established and meetings have begun
 <p>2A. Implement the 2019 Vision Zero Action Plan to improve pedestrian safety.</p>		Implemented Ped Head Starts (3 since plan adoption, 38 total), "Pedestrian Protect" at 30th/Walnut that restrict left turns dynamically when pedestrians are present, installed flashing yellow arrow displays at 4 intersections, shifted to more restrictive left-turn operation during peak periods at 2 intersections, and other mitigation at specific locations with crash trends as noted in the Technical Appendix. Received grant funding for 3 ped crossing improvements.


 Initiated


 In Progress


 Complete



Action	Status	Progress Details
 <p>2B. Develop a program to make walking more comfortable (“low-stress”) to daily destinations (promoting 15-minute walkable neighborhoods in planning, implementing Pedestrian Improvement Areas, implementing Neighborhood GreenStreets).</p>		Walking data analysis integrated into East Boulder Subcommunity Plan; 13th Neighborhood GreenStreet implemented.
 <p>4C. Complete and implement the Accessible Boulder: ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan.</p>		ADA Self-Evaluation in progress; draft report to be presented at community Open House planned for Spring 2020.
 <p>4D. Update Pedestrian Crossing Treatment Installation Guidelines per industry best practices, local experiences, and assessment of effectiveness of crossing treatments.</p>		Data collection planned for Spring 2020.
 <p>5B. Evaluate and refine/enhance snow removal on pedestrian facilities to improve access to transit stops, prioritize crosswalk clearing, and generally improve conditions after snow events.</p>		Meetings with Transportation Maintenance, discussion with PAC 2.0

 **Initiated**

 **In Progress**

 **Complete**



3. INTERVIEWS

If you were on PAC 1.0, pair with someone who was not (and vice versa).

Introductions – both people

1. Briefly introduce yourselves and why you chose to apply for PAC 2.0.

Plan Overview

2. PAC 1.0 Participant: Share what you think is most important for your partner to know about the Pedestrian Plan.
3. New Member: Share what questions you have. PAC 1.0 Participant: Answer what you can; write post-its for additional questions not answered.

Debrief – with full group



4. PAC 2.0 DRAFT CHARTER REVIEW

This charter is intended to help clarify the role and process for the Pedestrian Advisory Committee 2.0. It builds off the charter used by the PAC 1.0.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE PEDESTRIAN PLAN

The Transportation Master Plan (TMP) is the guiding policy document for the city of Boulder's transportation system. The 2019 TMP includes “Prioritizing the Pedestrian” as a key initiative and references the Pedestrian Plan, which was updated at the same time.

The Pedestrian Plan was adopted in September 2019 and is the blueprint to improve walking conditions in Boulder. It envisions a city in which everyone enjoys being a pedestrian for all types of trips—where walking and rolling is easy, safe and well-connected.

PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ROLE

The role of the Pedestrian Advisory Committee 2.0 is to bring a diverse set of voices to the conversation about improving the safety, accessibility and connectedness of the pedestrian experience in Boulder. The PAC 2.0 will help the City put the Pedestrian Plan into action.

The PAC 2.0 will support the priority actions identified in the Pedestrian Plan, including:

- Implement the 2019 Vision Zero Action Plan to improve pedestrian safety.
- Develop a program to make walking more comfortable and low stress.
- Complete and implement the Accessible Boulder project to improve transportation accessibility based on ADA guidelines.
- Update pedestrian crossing treatment installation guidelines.
- Evaluate and refine snow and ice removal practices on pedestrian facilities.



Members of the committee will:

- Meet the goals of the Pedestrian Plan by helping prioritize and advance next steps for program implementation.
- Provide feedback on project materials that will be presented to the Transportation Advisory Board and City Council.
- Provide advice on community outreach strategies.
- Share information and gather feedback and input from other community members.

OTHER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The **Transportation Advisory Board** is the main advisory body for the TMP and Ped Plan update. They will be updated on the Pedestrian Plan implementation through monthly updates for the Transportation Master Plan. One TAB member will serve on the PAC (with one alternate).

City of Boulder staff: Amy Lewin is the Project Manager with the City of Boulder Transportation Division and is supported by a team of city staff members including Emily Kleinfelter, Jenny Godwin (Associate Planner), Mark Shisler (Transportation Operations Engineer), and members from other departments, such as Transportation Maintenance.

Staff is supported by **Barbara Lewis** of **Catalyst, Inc.** who facilitates the PAC meetings and **Darcy Kitching** of **Walk2Connect** who leads the walkabouts.

COMMITMENTS

Practice inclusive participation

- Listen well and allow everyone the opportunity to speak and to be heard
- Respect each participant and their views; avoid personal attacks
- Seek to understand community input and be open to different perspectives
- View disagreements as opportunities to learn, not battles to be won
- Seek common ground



Use our time productively

- Stay on track
- Come to meetings prepared
- Be prepared to “agree to disagree” and move on
- Avoid rehashing past issues and meetings
- Reflect on your perspective and share with the group if what you have learned has changed it
- Start and end on time
- Be respectful of the limited meeting time and make sure each member has equal opportunity to participate; be careful about the length of personal anecdotes

Share responsibility for success

- Understand the process and how decisions will be made
- Respect the process and the working group’s role
- In speaking about the project, present individual views and documented information; avoid trying to characterize the views of others
- Help elicit community input and bring comments into the committee process through individual outreach and participating in and assisting at community events

Serve the common good

- Seek what is best for the community as a whole, putting yourself in others’ “shoes”
- Recognize that personal goals may be different from the greater good
- Seek out and hear all perspectives equally



DECISION-MAKING

Where PAC members are called to reach agreement, the group will use a level of agreement scale as follows:

Level of Agreement

- 1 finger = full agreement
- 2 fingers = agree in support of the group but have concerns
- 3 fingers = unresolved issues; need further discussion
- If 3, be prepared to suggest how to move forward

An illustration of three hands, each showing a different number of fingers: the first hand shows one finger, the second shows two fingers, and the third shows three fingers. The hands are positioned below the list of agreement levels.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

PAC members will be asked to support the City with community outreach at different points in the process. This may include sharing information with individuals and organizations, helping to promote project events, gathering and reviewing public input and assisting at community events.

In speaking to the media and others, PAC members are asked to present individual views only and avoid characterizing others' opinions or representing the views of the PAC except those documented in PAC materials.

PROJECT TEAM COMMITMENTS

- Provide relevant information to support the PAC's input to implementation of the plan
- Provide easy-to-understand graphics and materials



- Be accountable
- Be clear about the process (time for discussion, input, speaking, etc.)
- Use effective, outcome-driven processes

QUESTIONS FOR THE PAC:

- What questions do you have? What refinements, if any, do you suggest?



5. SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

HOW THINGS CURRENTLY WORK – SNOW PLOWING

OVERALL SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM GOALS



Vision Zero - Support safe travel for all modes during snow events.



Operate the program efficiently, effectively and safely, in alignment with the Transportation Master Plan and Boulder Police Department Master Plan goals.



Provide informative and timely communication.



Reduce environmental impact by enlisting the City's Sustainability and Resilience framework.



SUMMARY OF 2018-2019 vs 2017-2018

	2018-2019	2017-2018	Change
Snow Fall	84.9"	62.4"	+ 22.5" of Snow
Snow Events	27	18	9 more Events
Shifts Called	58	53	5 more shifts
Budget Spent	\$1,260,611	\$1,390,245	- \$129,634 spent

INVENTORY OF ASSETS

Streets:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 52.6% or 330 out of 627 Lane Miles
On Street Bike Lanes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 83% or 164 out of 196 Miles
Multi-Use Bike Paths:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% or 72 out of 72 Miles (Of which 38 miles are completed by PW staff)
Crosswalks, Turn Islands, Center Medians, and Curb Ramps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 204 locations
Bus Stops:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 39 bus stops



RESOURCE DIVISION



Streets & On Street Bike Facilities

37.6 Miles per Operator

Off Street Bike/Ped Facilities

30.4 Miles per Operator

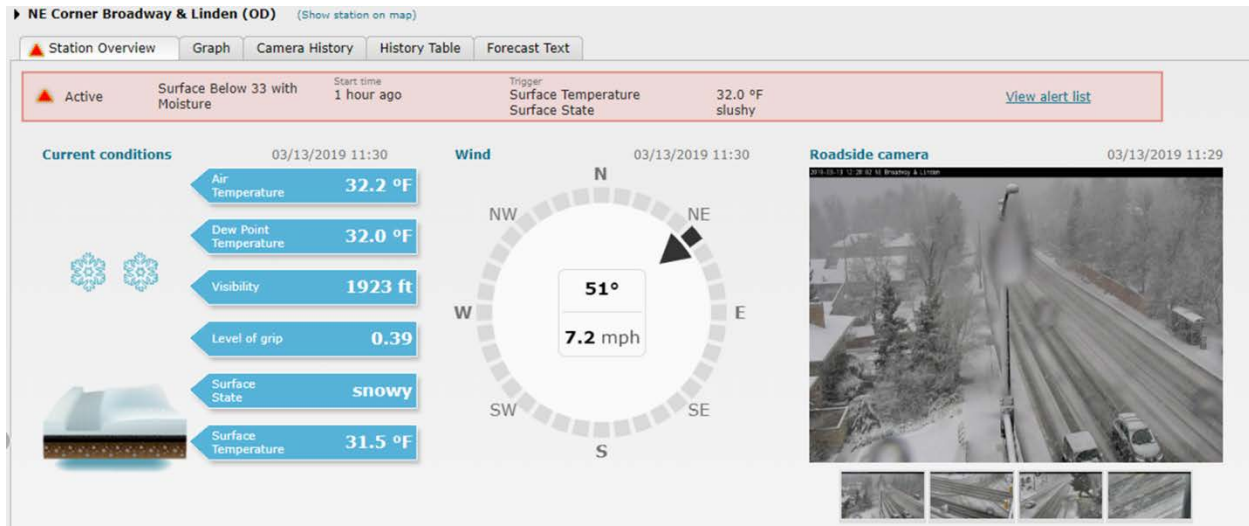
Average Shift Crews consist of:

- 1 Dispatcher
- 1 Supervisor
- 16 On Street Operators
- 1.5-2.5 Off Street Operators

ACTIVITY



TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATIONS



EXPANDING OUR MATERIAL APPLICATION TOOLBOX

In 2019-2020 we will implement the use of Salt Brine Material

- Proactive pre-treatment
- Can be used on off street bike facilities
- Joining multiple Front Range communities in the practice
- Reduction in personnel & material costs
- Less corrosive and impactful to environment





KNOWN CHALLENGES FOR 2019-2020

- Crosswalk & Curb Ramp facilities
 - In the 2019-2020 season, Transportation has hired a temporary employee who works to get problem areas cleared.
- Staffing Retainment & Recruitment
 - In the 2019-2020 season, staffing has remained more consistent.
- Implementing new material strategy and the communication around it
 - Salt brine has been used to pretreat when appropriate and used during snow storms. Communication on social media has been enhanced, but this is an area where the PAC could help
- Learning new equipment/areas
 - Several staff have been trained in making brine
- Expansion of services in other areas

QUESTIONS?



HOW THINGS CURRENTLY WORK – ENFORCEMENT

Inquire Boulder

Sidewalk Snow and Ice Removal

<https://user.govoutreach.com/boulder/faq.php?cmd=shell&goparms=cid%3D21830>

Please call Code Enforcement at 303-441-1875 to ask questions or report a code violation.

Service requests submitted online will receive a response within four business days. (7:00 am - 5:00 pm, except holidays)

The current stop of snowfall is November 29th at 8:49 pm, enforcement of this issue may begin 24 hours after the stop of snowfall.

View official weather reports from the [National Weather Service](#), look for the last recording of light snow or snow to determine when snowfall has stopped.

"Make it Clear" and safe for pedestrians commuting by removing, and maintaining public sidewalks clear of snow and ice.

Sidewalk Snow and Ice Removal 8-2-13

Any accumulation of snow and ice after a snowfall or snowdrift must be removed as promptly as reasonably possible and no later than 24 hours after the end of a snowfall or drift. Public sidewalks must be maintained clear of snow and ice as needed after the first shoveling. Homes and businesses on corner lots are responsible for clearing all public sidewalks that abut the property, this includes the walks along the front, side, and rear of the property and the pedestrian ramps connecting to the street.

What if I'm physically unable to remove snow from my sidewalk?

Senior citizens and physically disabled persons who are unable to clear snow from their sidewalks may receive assistance through the Cultivate [SnowBusters Program](#). **Please consider volunteering** for this vital service that helps so many residents that need assistance. For more information call 303-443-1933.



Residents may also consider [hiring a company to shovel](#) the walks when they are unable to themselves or during extended vacations.

Some local churches, community groups, and neighbors may also be able to assist residents with this concern.

Plowing Snow into Right-of-Way: 8-2-10 (c)

Except in residential areas, snow cannot be plowed into any street or alleyway by any person other than by City of Boulder snow removal crews.

For more information, download the ["Make it Clear"](#) brochure and visit the [Snow and Ice Removal](#) web page.

"Service requests can be issued for this violation, however for direct service of this safety concern, during business hours, please call the number above."

QUESTIONS?

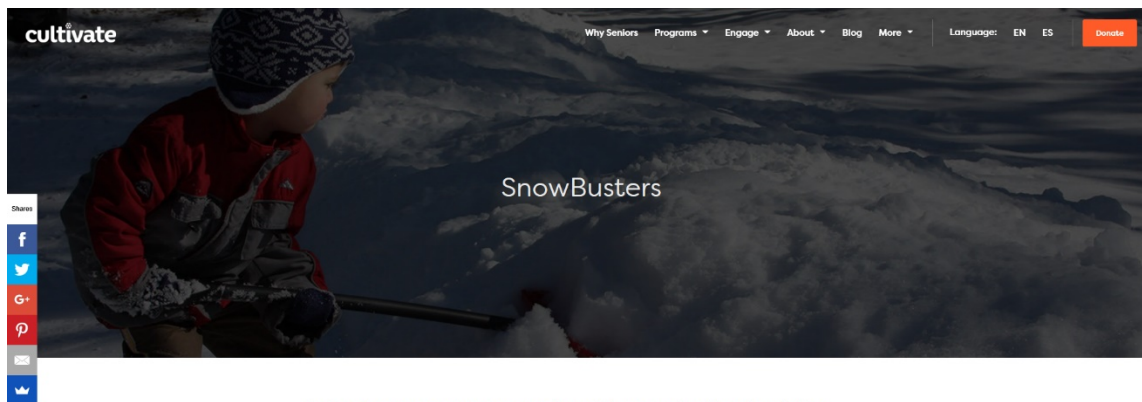


IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENT THROUGH COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS

EXISTING PROGRAMS

SnowBusters:

<https://cultivate.ngo/programs/snowbusters>



Our SnowBusters program connects members of the community with seniors who face challenges clearing snow from sidewalks around their home, oftentimes leading to a fine from the city. After a storm hits, our volunteers visit seniors' homes to shovel snow, provide friendly interactions, and promote safety and peace of mind.

- Seniors
- Volunteers



Denver Snow Angels Program:

<https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/human-rights-and-community-partnerships/programs---initiatives/denver-snow-angels.html>

The screenshot shows the Denver.gov website header with the Denver logo and navigation links: Neighborhood, Business, Visiting, Government, Online Services, Directory. A search bar is on the right. Below the header is a blue navigation bar with 'Human Rights and Community Partnerships' and sub-links: Our Offices & Divisions, Our Commissions, Programs & Initiatives, About Us, Contact Us. A 'Translate This Page' button and a language selection dropdown are also visible.

Denver's Snow Angel Program

Request Assistance or Volunteer

What is the Snow Angels Program?

Established in 2017, the Snow Angels program is an initiative of the Agency for Human Rights and Community Partnerships that is aimed to assist residents in Denver in need of assistance shoveling their sidewalks and driveways during the cold winter months. These can be older active adults, neighbors living with a disability, residents who are temporarily ill, and those physically unable to shovel.

How can I let my neighbors know I need help?

Contact us using the form below or email us at SnowAngels@denvergov.org with your name and address and we will send you a Snow Angels door hanger that tells your neighbors you need help with shoveling. We partner with Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNO) and Neighborhood Associations to get the word out to participants and volunteers so you can also request door hangers through your RNO president.

How can I sign up to volunteer or get involved in the program?

Contact us using the form below or email us at SnowAngels@denvergov.org with your name and address and we will get you connected with neighbors in your area that need help. Working with your Registered Neighborhood Organization is another great way to get involved with this, and other Citywide Initiatives. Not sure which RNO you belong to? Visit our [online RNO map](#) to find the RNO in your neighborhood.

Would you like to request assistance or volunteer? *

First Name *



If you or a neighbor is...

- an older adult
- living with a disability
- temporarily ill
- physically unable

Denver's Snow Angels are here to help with snow removal during the 2019-2020 winter season.

We will provide a door hanger and/or yellow light bulb to let your neighbors know you need help!



Please look for yellow doorhangers on your neighbor's porch and let's do a


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St. Paul:

https://www.smart-trips.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/door_hanger_for_web.pdf



A Friendly Reminder:
24 HOURS TO SHOVEL SIDEWALKS
St. Paul Ord. No. 17187, 11-27-04

Hi – I’m a neighbor who relies on sidewalks being clear of snow and ice so that myself and others can get around safely and easily.


Our city requires that snow be removed from sidewalks within **24 hours after a snowfall.**

Not clearing walks can cost you a lot in fines and fees, so please see the other side of this card for helpful tips and resources.

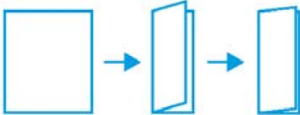
Turn over for important information

Steps to create a doorhanger


1. Print this page in color or B&W
2. Cut along the dotted line to separate this instruction panel



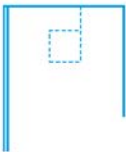
3. Fold the square panel in half



4. Seal the long edge with tape



5. Flip & cut along the dotted square






Who Needs to Shovel?
Owners and occupants with businesses or properties bordering public sidewalks.

When to Shovel
Snow and ice need to be cleared from sidewalks within **24 hours after a snowfall.**

Where to Shovel
Clear the full width of the sidewalk. Salt or sand icy spots and remove snow from sidewalk corners and curb ramps. Consider helping out by clearing around bus stops and fire hydrants.

What Happens If I Don't Shovel?

- * You may receive a notice from the city
- * If you don't comply, you could be charged for snow removal services *and* fined



Need Help?
If you don't have the ability to shovel, call the number below to see if there is a Senior Chore Program in your neighborhood.

Questions?
Call the City of St. Paul Information & Complaints Office at **651-266-8989**
Or visit smart-trips.org/sidewalks

IDEAS & QUESTIONS?



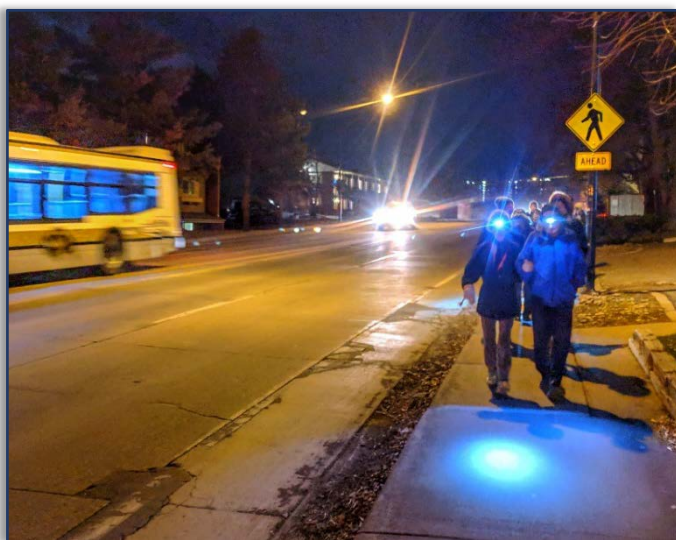
6. WALKABOUT RECAP



Through the Boulder Walks Program, members of the inaugural Pedestrian Advisory Committee participated in a variety of themed walkabouts in Boulder in late 2018 through 2019. The walkabouts were designed to help PAC members and other Boulder residents share their experiences of walking and rolling in the city, learn about current city transportation projects and priorities, and discuss issues with City Council members.



Walkabout #1 – Orientation to Pedestrian Infrastructure (September 2018): Our initial walkabout gave PAC members an orientation to 27 distinct types of engineered pedestrian infrastructure, from different kinds of sidewalks to striped crossings, alleys, multi-use paths, accessible ramps, and more. PAC members shared their experiences with the various elements around the city.



Walkabout #2 – 30th and Colorado at Night (December 2018): Our second walkabout was inspired by a resident of Golden West Senior Living on 30th Street. The resident had fallen while walking on the sidewalk near her home at night. We took her experience as an opportunity to learn about how different the walking and rolling experience can be in the dark, especially on a busy corridor with uneven sidewalks in the wintertime.



Walkabout #3 – Winter on Wheels Walk & Roll (February 2019): During Winter Walk and Bike Week 2019, PAC member Craig Towler and City of Boulder OSMP staff member Topher Downham, both of whom use wheelchairs, led a wheelchair scavenger hunt through the Boulder Public Library, with participants taking turns wheeling around. A snowstorm

that week provided even more context for their experience: participants tried rolling out in the snow as well as through the library.



Walkabout #4 – Walking for Transportation / Caminando para el Transporte (March 2019): Our fourth walkabout highlighted the experience of Maria Guadalupe Martinez, a Boulder Housing Partners resident who exclusively walks and bikes and has four children ranging in age from 4 to 16.



Walkabout #5 – East Boulder Subcommunity Plan (April 2019): Prompted by an avid walker who works for Ball Aerospace, this walkabout focused on issues of pedestrian access on the north side of Arapahoe Ave. between 48th and 55th Streets. The area includes the Ball Aerospace campus and Boulder Community Health, whose employees could benefit from better pedestrian infrastructure and better access for people with disabilities.



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WALKS WITH COUNCIL

In June 2019, inspired by Bob Yates, GO Boulder and the City Manager's Office began hosting Walks with Council to offer an active way for community members to engage with city council members and learn about current planning and development projects. Community members responded enthusiastically.

Walkabout #6 – Walk with Council (June 2019):

Councilmember Aaron Brockett launched our new Walk with Council series in June at the North Boulder Recreation Center. Topics discussed included the Longs Gardens conservation easement, the 13th Street Neighborhood GreenStreet and issues with the intersection at Broadway and Iris.





Walkabout #7 – Vision Zero Walk (June 2019): PAC members, Transportation Advisory Board members, Community Cycles staff, and others turned out in late June to experience five intersections in central Boulder with safety improvements identified in the 2019 Safe Streets Report.



Walkabout #8 – Alpine-Balsam Walking Tours (July 2019): Two tours of the Alpine-Balsam area oriented residents to the Transportation Connections Plan and provided opportunities for members of the public to share their ideas and concerns.

Walkabout #9 – Walk with Council (August 2019): On the last walkabout before the Pedestrian Plan and the PAC’s recommendations were sent to City Council, Councilmember Bob Yates facilitated discussions about the Neighborhood Speed Management Program and area development on a 2-mile walk from the East Boulder Community Center.





Walkabout #10 – Walk with Council (September 2019):

Councilwoman Mary Young hosted a popular Spanish-first Walk with Council in September, which attracted members of our Spanish-speaking community and bilingual residents.

Simultaneous interpretation for English speakers ensured all could participate. The

walk through central Boulder inspired conversations about bringing more culturally relevant public art to neighborhoods where the participants live.



Walkabout #11 – Walk with Council (October 2019):

Mayor Suzanne Jones led our final Walk with Council of the year from the South Boulder Recreation Center to the Neptune Mountaineering Cafe, discussing the current status of the CU South property and progress of public works projects on Table Mesa and Lehigh.

Transportation Engineer Mike Sweeney joined the walk to provide updates on improvements to local streets.

Walkabouts are an excellent way to get people talking out in the environment where we walk, roll, and encounter each other every day. We look forward to more fun and informative walkabouts with you this year!



7. NEXT STEPS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Winter Walk and Bike Week: February 11-16, 2020 – All events are free

Date	Event Type	
Feb 11	Accessibility “Roll & Stroll”	Wheelchair accessibility event at the Boulder Public Library.
Feb 12	Contemplative Walk with Naropa University	Casual walking event along the Boulder Creek Path.
Feb 13	Boulder Mural Sip & Stroll with Vessel	Casual walk around Boulder to view local murals and sip on warm drinks.
Feb 14	Winter Bike to Work Day	Approximately 20 breakfast stations will be set up around Boulder offering refreshments between 7am-9am.
Feb 15	Boulder End-to-End Choose Your Own Adventure Ramble	Casual 15-mile walk starting at Tod’s Espresso in Gunbarrel and meandering south along multi-use paths until reaching Neptune Mountaineering Coffee.
Feb 16	Public Art Tour by Bike	Meeting at Eben G. Fine park at 11am for 90 min. ride along path system to view local art. Maximum attendance of 25.
Mar 19	PAC 2.0 Meeting #2	Snow and ice removal improvement priorities (other topics TBD)



8. HOMEWORK

1. **Review Charter**—send in any comments/suggestions on the charter to lewina@bouldercolorado.gov by Monday, February 3.
2. **Snow and Ice Removal Tweets**—send in your best tweet to encourage neighbors to shovel sidewalks to lewina@bouldercolorado.gov by Monday, February 3.
3. **Attend Winter Walk and Bike Week events**—see Next Steps/Upcoming Events (section 7 above) and <https://bouldercolorado.gov/goboulder/winter-walk-and-bike-week>
4. **BHB Walking stories**—Newbies: by March 1, submit your own walking story online at beheardboulder.org (choose Transportation Planning Projects from the Active Projects menu). Want help? Contact Darcy Kitching at darcy@walk2connect.com or 303-250-2436.
5. **EXTRA CREDIT:** If it snows, document the experience in your neighborhood and briefly discuss how what you learned at this meeting influenced your actions. Be ready to discuss at the next meeting.

9. MEETING WRAP-UP

- Please fill out and turn in your comment form
- Share your thoughts on how the meeting went on your way out



10. PUBLIC COMMENTS/NOTES



Thank You!



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