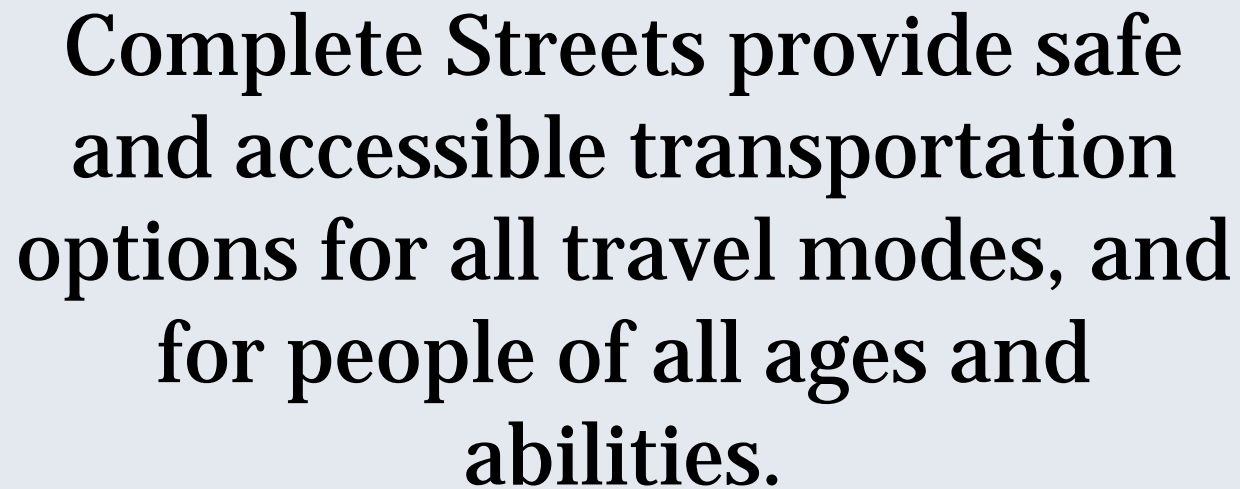


Complete Streets Prioritization Plan



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What are Complete Streets?

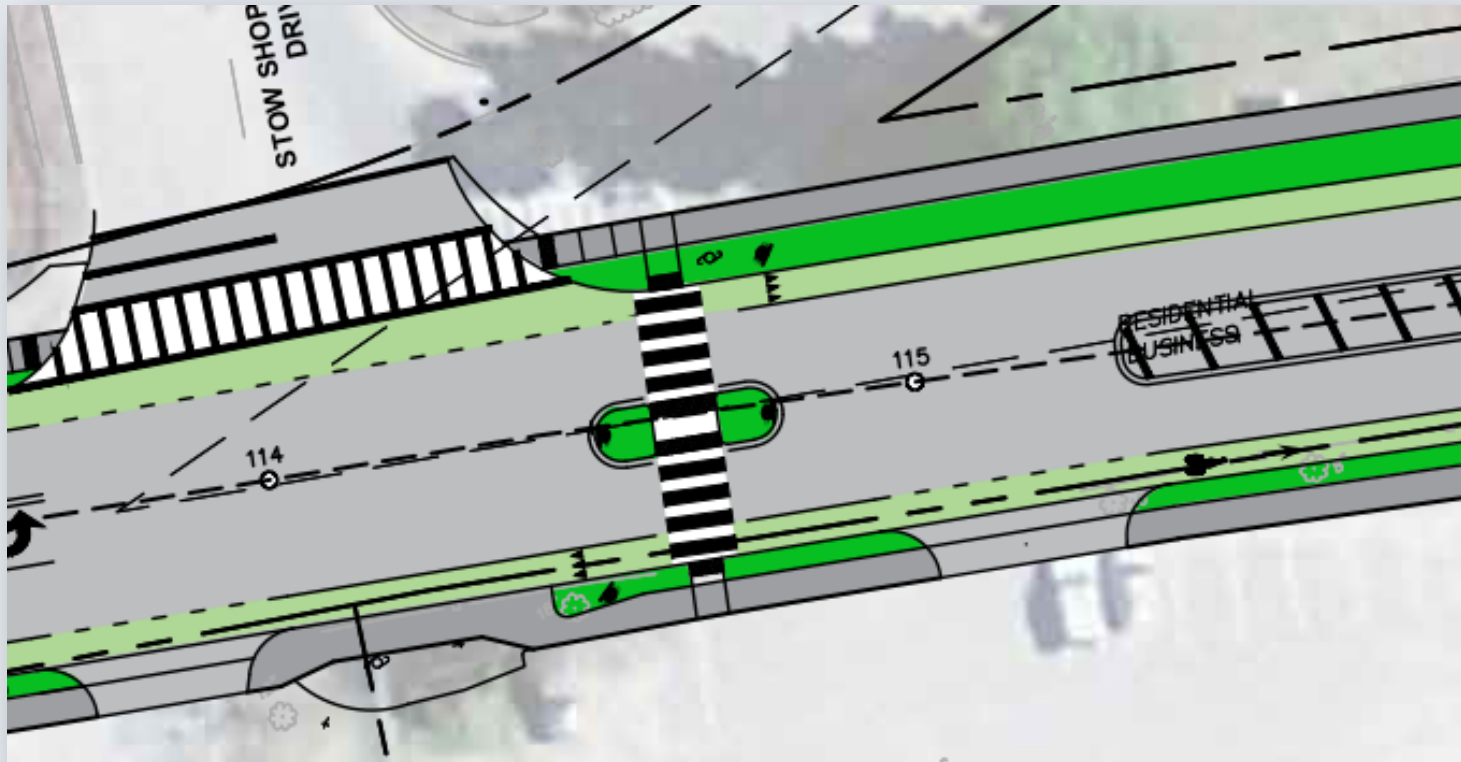


Complete Streets provide safe and accessible transportation options for all travel modes, and for people of all ages and abilities.

What are Complete Streets?



Example of Complete Streets Design in Lower Village Traffic Improvement Plans



Why Complete Streets in Stow?

The Increasing Need

- ❑ **Commonly requested recreational facilities in Stow include sidewalks, bike trails, bike lanes and walking trails**
- ❑ **Road network contains fragments of pedestrian and bike amenities**



MassDOT Complete Streets Program Certification Process



Tier 1



Adopt Municipal Complete Streets Policy



Tier 2



**Create Complete Streets Prioritization Plan
Reimbursable through MassDOT**



Tier 3

**Request Up to \$400,000 Annually in Funding for
Eligible Projects and Planning**

Policy Nuts and Bolts



❑ **Project Feasibility**

Describes resources and considerations to be used in determining appropriate improvements

❑ **Project Exclusion**

Provides for a process for excluding certain streets and a check against such action in the form of an annual report.

❑ **Best Practices**

Identifies current design standards to follow. Approach is *context sensitive*, but certain design elements must adhere to standards to gain state funding.

❑ **Implementation**

Ensures relevancy by setting goals for integration of Complete Streets into planning activities, road construction schedules and other Town Documents.

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Design Principles Fit for Stow

- ❑ **Minimum of 15 priority improvements outlined in plan**
- ❑ **Design Approach sensitive to rural community**



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Public Engagement Process will include

- ❑ **Interactive online mapping**
- ❑ **Public Forums and Input Sessions**
- ❑ **Stay tuned to notices on upcoming forums as the Prioritization Planning Effort begins in fall of 2017**

