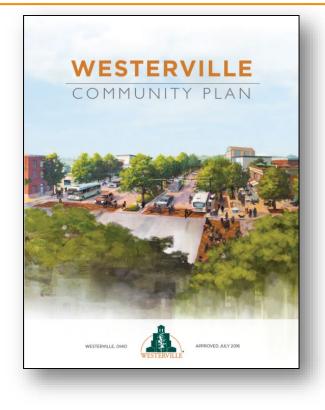
Strategic Mobility Plan



Why a Mobility Plan?

Westerville Community Plan (2017) Ch. 3 :

- A transportation system built in context
- Walking and cycling system
- Increase public transit use as a choice
- Smart parking policies
- Improve freight movement





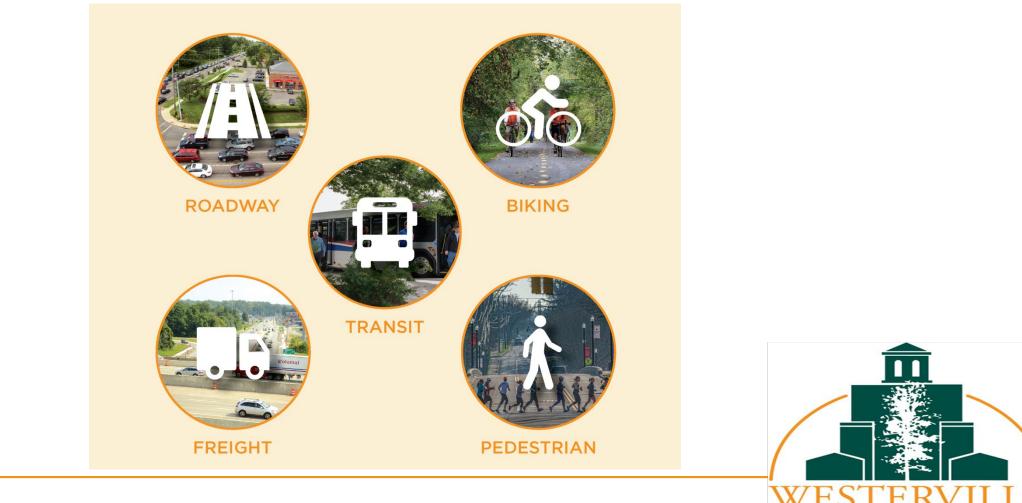
Why a Mobility Plan?

What is 'built in context'?

- The transportation system is the 'bones' of how a city works
- Every community is different understanding this community's needs –cause & effects
- □ This community is part of a larger region
- Adding more lanes does not ease congestion
- Public investment looks for best ways to make a system EFFICIENT and EQUITABLE.



These combine to create a **complete transportation system**



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

How was the plan developed?

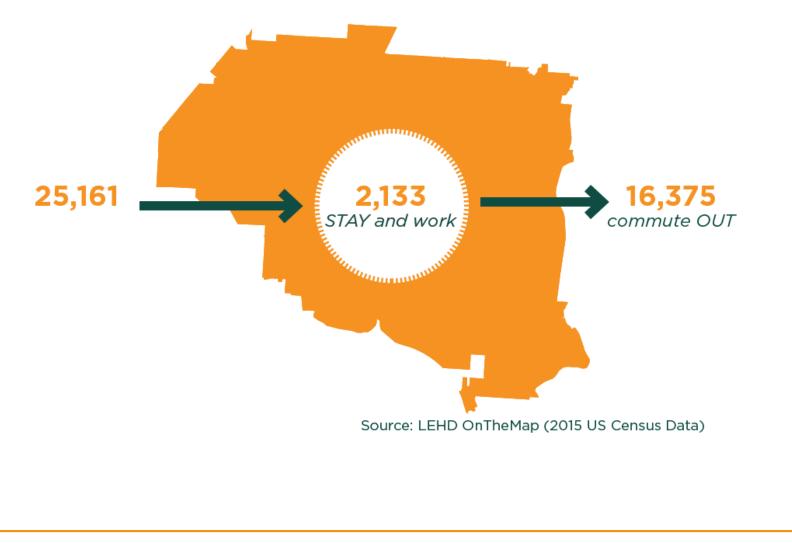
- Existing Conditions & Mobility Enhancements
- Community & Stakeholder Outreach
- Framework Plans
- Recommended Strategic Investments
- Strategic Locations
- Further Community Outreach



Existing Conditions □ 40,000 residents □ 71,000 jobs Older residents = 30% of population □ 14,250 WCSD students □ 3,000 Otterbein University students Great bicycle connectivity!

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Commuting Trends



WESTERVILLE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Alternative Modes of Travel



Less than **3%** of the population WALKS OR BIKES on a daily basis and are primarily for recreational purposes.



Public Transit

Less than 1% of Westerville USES PUBLIC TRANSIT to go to work daily.

Public Transit Map





Mobility Enhancements

Smart Signal Systems
Alternative Intersections
Protected bike lanes
High visibility crosswalks
Improved transit access





- Loading zones & rideshare pick up/drop off
- Mobility Hubs



Community & Stakeholder Engagement

- City Staff
- Westerville City Schools
- COTA
- Otterbein University
- MORPC
- Regional Partners
- Local Business Owners
- Residents



Recommended Strategic Investments

Strategies developed for all modes

- Short term (1-5 yrs); Long term (5 yrs+); continuous
- Resource \$\$
- Used the public process to recommend priorities using a survey and open house



Overall Mobility Strategies

- Adopt a Vision Zero Policy
- Focus on Mobility Education and Outreach
- Promote Equitable Access to Mobility through Complete Streets
- Promote First/Last Mile Strategies
- Prioritize Access to Greenways and Parks



Mode Focused Strategies

- Roadway: Signal Timing & Technology, Promoting Alternative Commuting, Consider Mobility & Land Use Decisions Together, Integrate EV Infrastructure
- Biking: More Dedicated & Protected Bike Lanes, Shared Mobility with Bikes & Scooters, Bike Benefits Program
- Pedestrian: Enhance Pedestrian Crossings, Improve Comfort Levels, Safer Routes to Schools



Mode Focused Strategies, cont.

- Transit: Investigate Microtransit services, Prioritize mobility connections with development, Plan for New Technology (AV/CV)
- Freight: Discourage truck travel through Uptown, Dynamic Uptown Loading Zones (combination zones), Prepare for Ecommerce delivery changes



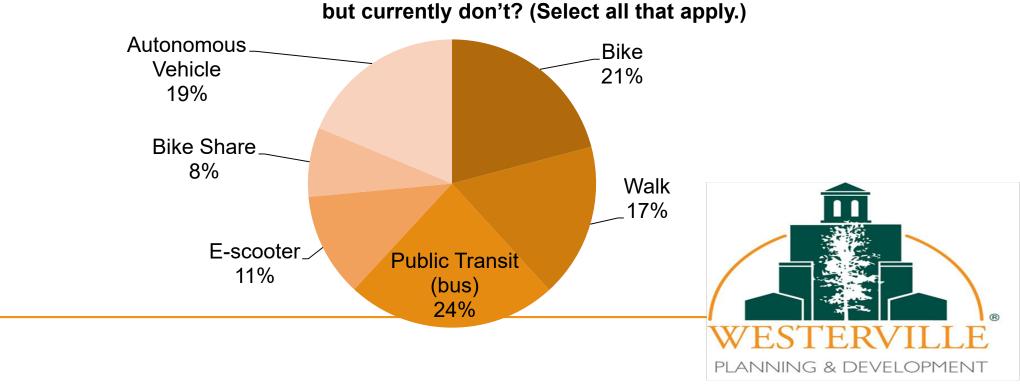
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Additional Community Outreach

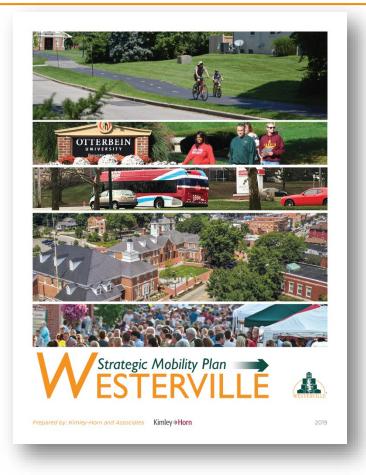
- Resident Online Survey (608 respondents)
- Fourth Friday Table
- Farmer's Market
- Open House



In the future, are there methods with which you wish to travel,

Next Steps

- Wrapping up Mobility Plan Revisions & Final Comments (completed Jan. 2020)
- Presented to Planning Commission (Jan. 2020)
- Approved by Council (March 2020)





Thank You!

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