



City of Long Beach

Complete Streets: Safe, Sustainable, Resilient



Complete Streets: Bringing the Momentum to Long Beach

What is the Complete Streets Program?

Complete Streets are safe, comfortable, and convenient for travel for everyone, regardless of age or ability – motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transportation riders.

Our City of Long Beach. . .

Has a higher percentage of commuters taking public transit, walking and cycling than the national average.

Challenges we face. . .

- Frequent conflicts between motorists and cyclists and pedestrians
- A lengthy crossing time for pedestrians on main roads

Table 1: American Community Survey
Commuter Data

Workers age 16 and over	Long Beach %	National Average %
Public transit	20.30%	5.00%
Walk	7.60%	2.80%
Bicycle	1.10%	0.50%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2009-2011



Why Build Complete Streets in Long Beach?

- To address current issues of pedestrian and bicycle safety and traffic congestion
- To encourage a more walkable city that has been proven to yield environmental, social and economic benefits
- Help Long Beach recover from Super Storm Sandy by upgrading the City's transportation infrastructure with more resilient strategies
- Encourage private investment

Complete Streets are the future. Just look at some other communities. . .

- Dramatically improved safety through a significant drop in collisions
- Spurred \$125 million in downtown investment with 40 new businesses and 800 new jobs
- Businesses along Complete Streets showed a 20% boost in sales

- ✓ NYS has passed Complete Streets legislation along with 57 individual entities
- ✓ Adopting Complete Streets allows Long Beach to actively pursue funding to implement these resilient strategies

Complete Streets are Safe Streets

