

Policy Template Development

Project Introduction TAC 7-20-23





create healthier, more prosperous places for people to live and thrive





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vibrant communities!





How SNHPC Can Help

 developing a Complete Streets policy for communities in the SNHPC region to consider adopting





Complete Streets Resolution

- official statement of support for considering the needs of all users in transportation planning and projects
- includes "WHEREAS" statements that outline the steps that will be taken to achieve on-the-ground transportation improvements and community-wide benefits.
- The Resolution concludes by citing and officially adopting the Model Complete Streets Policy.





Step 2

Complete Streets Policy

- details an effective process and specific actions designed to ensure that Complete Streets are routinely considered in all transportation decisions
- implementation mechanisms & best practices, such as:
 - establishing a Complete Streets Advisory
 Committee
 - conducting Complete Streets audits of official guidance documents
 - identifying benchmarks for annually evaluating progress
 - o adopting project implementation checklists





Complete Streets Ordinance

- codifying Complete Streets policies
- ordinances are regulations, also ensure that subsequent administrations will continue to follow the Complete Streets policy procedures
- Complete Streets ordinances should include all of the elements of the Model Policy to ensure that they result in Complete Streets implementation.





Policy Template

- Intro to Complete Streets
- 2 Benefits
- The Adoption Process
- Resolution vs. Policy vs. Ordinance vs. Context Sensitive Design
- 5 Complete Streets in NH
 - A Rural, Suburban & Urban Contexts





Policy Template

- 6 Model Complete Streets Resolution
- 7 Model Complete Streets Policy
- 8 Tools & Resources





Implementation

- customizing the template for your community
 - vision
 - coordination between agencies
 - o community buy-in (Selectmen & other decision makers)
 - performance measures
 - exceptions
 - prioritization plan
- Complete Streets checklists
 - o concept development
 - o preliminary engineering
 - construction
 - maintenance





Post- Adoption

- Community Complete Streets Advisory Committee
- benchmarks/ data collection
- annual report to decision makers





TAC Subcommittee

- benefits, barriers & opportunities?
- rural, suburban & urban considerations?
- review & comment on draft templates
- presenting to decision makers?
- gathering case studies & writing new ones!





Next Steps

- researching existing policies in the state (SNHPC staff)
- convene the Subcommittee
- expand on Policy Template outline (SNHPC staff)





Questions?



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