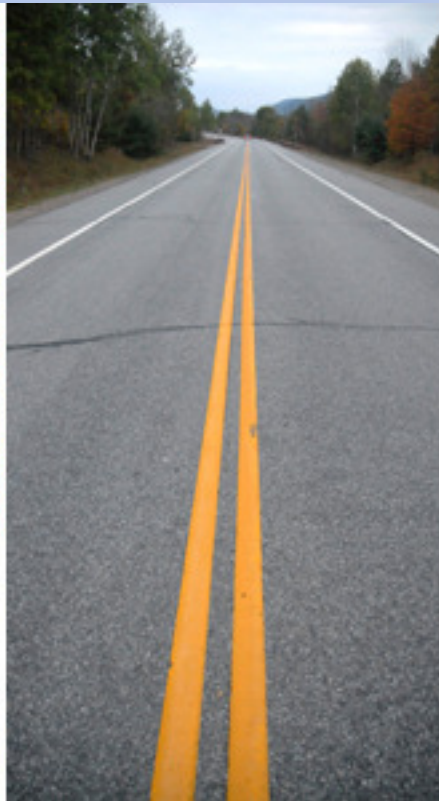
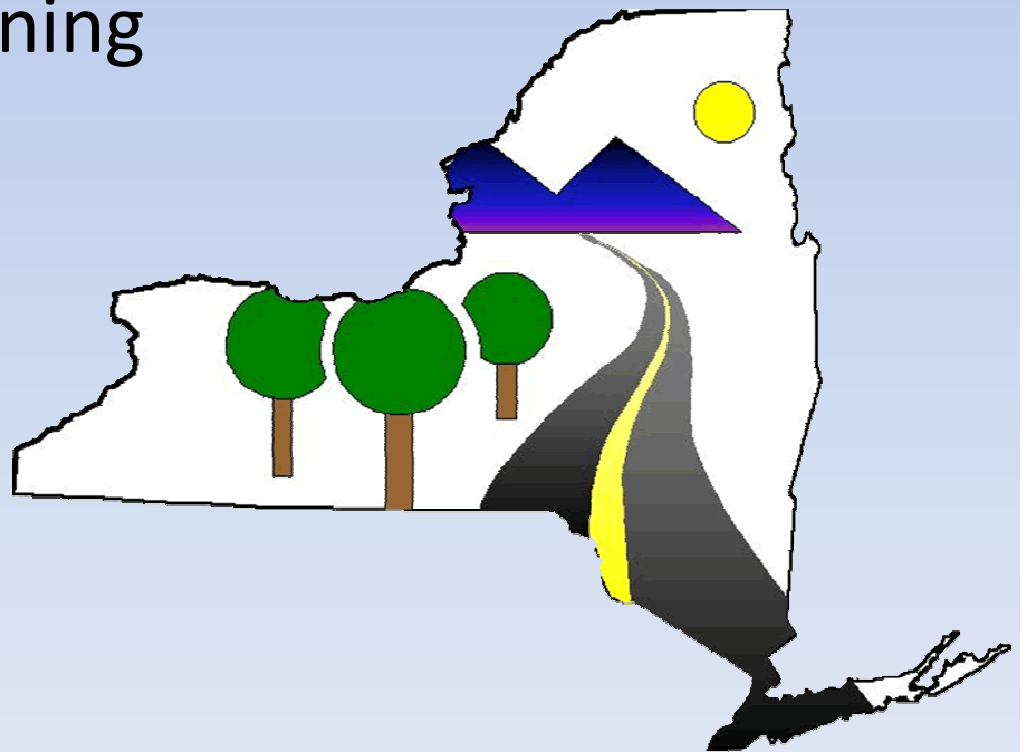


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Things We Do

- Newsletter
- Statewide conferences
- Special events & training
- Library
- Technical assistance
- Highway School
- Workshops



Workshops

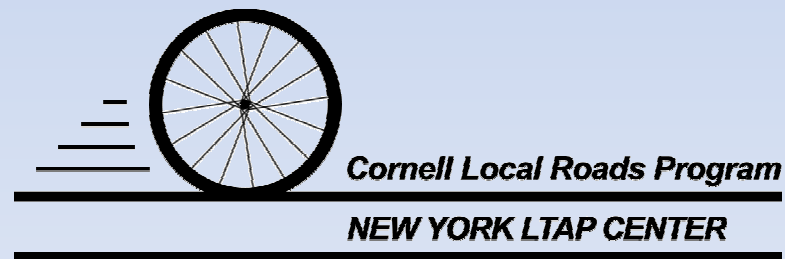
- Basics of a Good Road
- Small Highway Department Management
- Roadway & Roadside Drainage
- Traffic Signs & Pavement Markings
- **Complete Streets**
- Snow & Ice Control
- Communications
- Reducing Liability



Complete Streets

Planning Safer Communities for Pedestrians and Bicyclists

with Lois Chaplin



What is a Complete Street?



A Complete Street is safe, comfortable & convenient for travel via automobile, foot, bicycle, & transit

Complete Streets is NOT:

- A design prescription
- A mandate for immediate retrofit
- A silver bullet; other initiatives must be addressed:
 - *Land use (proximity, mixed-use)*
 - *Environmental concerns*
 - *VMT reduction*
 - (but complete streets will help!)

What does a complete street look like?



- **One size doesn't fit all:**
 - Complete Streets doesn't mean **every** street has sidewalks, bike lanes and transit

Top Ten List from the Complete Streets Workshop

1. Resources
2. Walking Audit
3. Enforcement goes with education
4. Let your public know - Education
5. Good design is essential
6. Legal aspects are fundamental
7. Good planning is part of the solution
8. Is there a problem?
9. What are the benefits?
10. What is it?



Implementing a Complete Streets Policy



League of American Bicyclists

The National Campaign



<http://www.completestreets.org/>

The New York State Campaign

Senate - 05711 or S 5711B

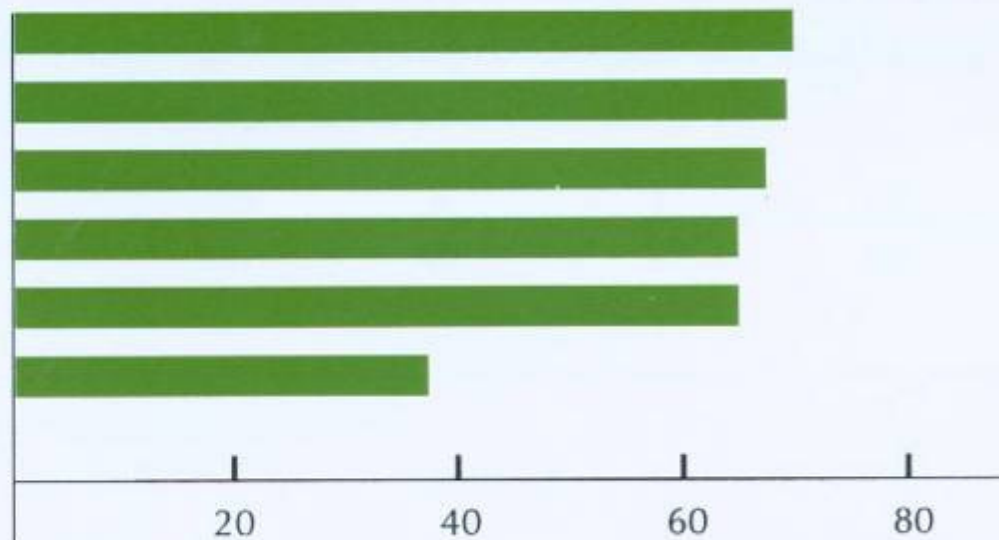
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How to sell Complete Streets

Why Complete Streets?

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS THAT WOULD SERVE THE COMMUNITY (percent)

- Expanding existing public transportation
- Building new bikeways and sidewalks
- Providing better quality traffic information
- Expanding existing highways
- Offering new public transportation services
- Building more highways



"Agree" and "Strongly Agree" Responses Shown

Source: 2000 FHWA Infrastructure Survey

Transportation

- Half of all trips are shorter than 3 miles - a 15 minute bike ride
- 40% of U.S. adults say they would commute by bike if safe facilities are available
- Gallup poll – 2002: Half of U.S. adults in favor of providing bicycle and pedestrian facilities even if it means less space for automobiles

References: 2001 National Household Transportation Survey, League of American Bicyclists Press Release

More opportunities

- There are 56 million walking trips in the U. S. everyday
- One in ten households do not own an automobile
- 1/3 of the population do not drive an automobile
- About one in ten trips are made by foot or bicycle already

References: 2001 National Household Transportation Survey, League of American Bicyclists Press Release

•An audit

How walkable is your community?

- Is there room to walk?
- Is it easy to cross streets?
- Do drivers behave well?
- Is it easy to follow safety rules?
- Is it pleasant to walk?

•An audit

How bikeable is it?

- Is there space to bike?
- How is the surface that you ride on?
- How are the intersections?
- Do drivers behave well?
- Is it easy for you to use your bike?
- What do you do to make your ride safer?

Harrietstown and the Village of Saranac Lake as a place where...

- A Complete Streets policy gives equal consideration to all street users, including pedestrians and cyclists.
- An efficient transportation system prioritizes the safety and mobility of area citizens and visitors.

- There is multi-modal access to businesses, parks, neighborhoods and activity centers
- Less dependency on the automobile reduces negative environmental impacts and encourages healthy lifestyles
- The transportation network integrates into the community and compliments its character

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- A comprehensive sidewalk plan identifies priority areas for new sidewalk construction and rehabilitation including links to area destinations
- Traffic calming strategies diminish damage caused by through truck traffic, reduce air and noise pollution and make travel safer.



Town of Ulysses Comprehensive Plan

**Final Report
September 2009**

<http://www.ulysses.ny.us/tou-comp-plan-2009.pdf>

Resources

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www.clrp.cornell.edu

www.bike.cornell.edu

Resources, continued

- New York Bicycling Coalition
 - <http://www.nybc.net>
- League of American Bicyclists
 - <http://www.bikeleague.org/>
- National Complete Streets Coalition
 - www.completestreets.org

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