A Complete Streets implementation strategy combines innovations from multiple disciplines to achieve the creation of safe, connected, and equitable street networks. Visit FHWA's Complete Streets website for resources to support developing and implementing a Complete Streets strategy. Visit the sites below for frequent updates as new information and resources become available.

FHWA PSCs in Rural Communities



https://highways.dot.gov/sites/fhwa.dot.gov/files/2024-01/ FHWA_PSCs_in_Rural_Communities_508.pdf



FHWA Complete Streets Overview

highways.dot.gov/complete-streets



FHWA Complete Streets Funding

highways.dot.gov/complete-streets/ make-complete-streets-default-approach



FHWA Rural Road Safety

https://highways.dot.gov/safety/local-rural/trainingtools-guidance-and-countermeasures-locals-practitioners

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- 4 https://cdan.dot.gov/query
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- 6 https://highways.dot.gov/safety/proven-safety-countermeasures/longitudinal-rumble-strips-andstripes-two-lane-roads

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COMPLETE STREETS

A Complete Street is safe, and feels safe, for all users. FHWA supports the planning, implementation and evaluation of equitable streets and networks that prioritize safety, comfort, and connectivity for all people who use them.

40% of crash fatalities occur in rural areas, while only 20% of people live in rural areas in the United States.¹

Source: FHWA

road users.

Open to reveal how Complete

and using rural town centers

with safer multimodal access

to essential destinations for all

Streets provide people living in

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Creating a safe, connected, and equitable Complete Streets Network can be an iterative strategy that involves implementing improvements over time.

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27%

of fatalities at intersections

occurred in rural areas

(2017-2021).4

Complete Streets separate

various users in time and

space for safety.

Roundabouts can reduce total

crashes by up to 68% and

injury crashes by up to

88%

on higher speed two-lane

, rural roads.⁵

Roundabouts reduce conflict

points and vehicle speeds.

Source: FHWA

Shoulder rumble strips can

reduce single vehicle run-off-

road fatal and injury crashes

by as much as

51%

on two-lane rural roads.6

Complete Streets use

Proven Safety

Countermeasures to

reduce the risk of

serious crashes.

Over 1,000,000 rural American households

do not have a car.²

13.7%

of households with workers over

the age of 16 have one

or zero vehicles available.3

Complete Streets improve

connectivity and access for

people walking, biking, and

taking buses.