

Mobility

How residents travel in the suburban areas varies. Some communities are walkable, some have reliable and frequent transit, and some require driving to access commercial and employment areas.

Challenges

Car-centric land use patterns can:

- ▶ Affect the accessibility and affordability of communities;
- ▶ Increase carbon emissions and harm the natural environment;
- ▶ Impact residents' health and quality of life;
- ▶ Create traffic congestion; and
- ▶ Increase municipal costs to expand infrastructure and services.



Opportunities

- ▶ Promote safe, welcoming, pedestrian-oriented streets
- ▶ Support accessible, convenient public transit
- ▶ Encourage active transportation, including cycling and walking
- ▶ Enable more housing and services to locate on existing and proposed transit routes
- ▶ Recommend road network improvements and connections



Tools

- ▶ Promote a mix of land uses in neighbourhoods to help reduce the need for car-based trips.
- ▶ Prioritize pedestrians in urban design.
- ▶ Encourage development of housing and other uses near transit stops and stations.
- ▶ Coordinate objectives of mobility strategies.
- ▶ Encourage active transportation options.
- ▶ Identify areas with frequent bottlenecks and congestion.

