

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Transportation Council has established a set of five goals, each focused on an important aspect of the transportation system's performance (Safety, Mobility, Access, Livability, and Resilience). These goals are broad and strategic, and each is linked with a set of supporting objectives that are more tactical in nature.

When making decisions about investments in the transportation system, the impacts of candidate projects are reviewed against these organizational goals and objectives.

Livability

Make strategic investments in the transportation system to allow people of all ages and backgrounds to thrive by supporting economic development, encouraging population growth, and planning for housing in areas with transportation options.

Mobility

Ensure the transportation system is maintained, operated, and coordinated to support reliable travel throughout the region.

Resilience

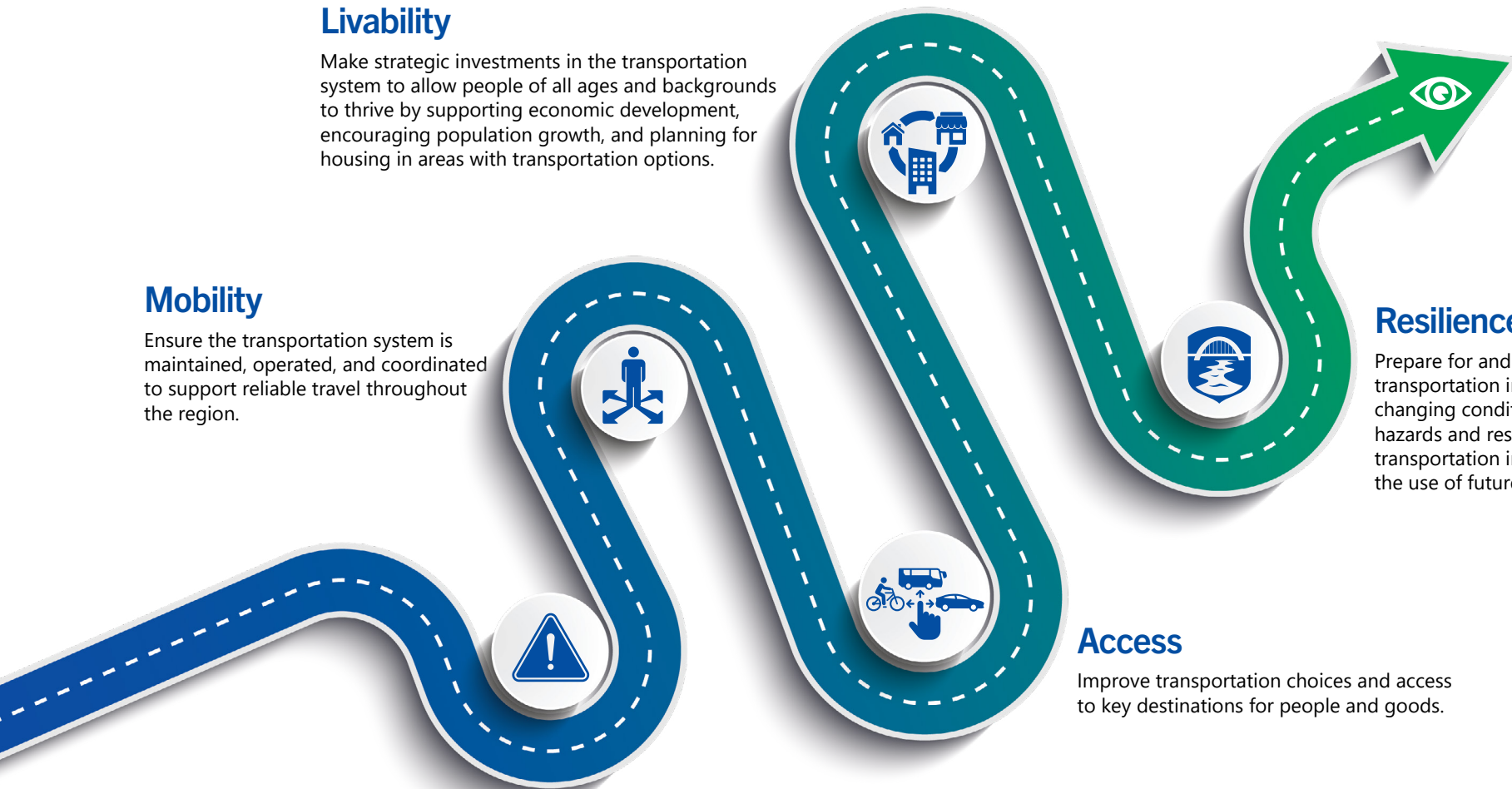
Prepare for and protect transportation infrastructure from changing conditions and natural hazards and responsibly adapt transportation infrastructure for the use of future generations.

Access

Improve transportation choices and access to key destinations for people and goods.

Safety

Eliminate fatalities and reduce serious injuries by 50% on Capital Region roadways; increase the security of the transportation system.





Safety



Mobility



Access

OBJECTIVES

- Prioritize safety of all road users, particularly pedestrians, bicyclists, and people with disabilities.
- Emphasize funding for proactive projects that lead to safe roads designed to accommodate human mistakes and physical vulnerabilities/constraints.
- Promote education on safety, security, and cybersecurity.
- Support the protection of transportation customers, shipments, employees, and travelers from safety and security threats.
- Minimize the impact of infrastructure failures, or other disruptions to the transportation system.

OBJECTIVES

- Maximize investment in the operation of the transportation system.
- Maintain surface transportation infrastructure and rebuild aging bridges and culverts to reduce future maintenance costs and enhance future mobility.
- Implement advanced technologies, real time data gathering, and other operational tools to improve the efficiency of the transportation system.
- Plan for evolving technologies for all travel options including the potential for connected and automated vehicles.
- Prioritize strategic integration of technology over increasing capacity or building new infrastructure.
- Improve regional travel time reliability and reduce the total cost of delay for all travel options.
- Improve supply chain resiliency.

OBJECTIVES

- Emphasize the use of universal design practices and specifications.
- Increase connections for people and freight to efficiently and cost-effectively access jobs, housing, essential services, education, logistics sites, open space, and other key destinations.
- Close gaps in the multimodal transportation system, particularly for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Improve transit access and strategically invest in bus lanes, queue jumpers, transit signal priority (TSP), and other transit-priority projects.
- Prioritize low-cost improvements to the transportation system.
- Address barriers affecting regional deployment of micromobility, and alternative fuel vehicle.
- Prioritize affordable transportation options for all users of the system.
- Support a planning process that reduces transportation project delivery times.







Livability



Resilience

OBJECTIVES

-  Prioritize transportation investments in developed or growing areas that support mixed use development, compact development, or transit-oriented development.
-  Prioritize investments that serve employment centers, educational facilities, and improve multimodal access to job centers.
-  Maximize investments that support efficient freight movement and the basic needs of drivers.
-  Incorporate current and planned housing into the regional transportation planning process, including affordable housing.
-  Support the goals of the latest Capital Region Economic Development Council Strategic Plan.
-  Plan for environmentally friendly transportation investments that contribute to clean air and clean water as we transition to a clean energy-powered economy.

OBJECTIVES

-  Reduce the impact of flooding, extreme heat, snow and ice, and technology failures on the transportation system.
-  Improve stormwater management in transportation projects.
-  Identify and prioritize infrastructure investments that improve resilience.
-  Proactively identify natural resources and sensitive lands/habitats and support a planning process that mitigates the impacts of transportation on them.
-  Proactively plan for potential disasters and emergency response, and coordinate with local hazard mitigation plans.
-  Encourage sustainable transportation energy practices that advance a commitment to preserving natural resources for future generations.
-  Advance integrated renewable energy solutions to improve energy reliability.

