

Martin Luther King Jr Way Safety Project

Project Description

This plan will make it safer for people who walk, bike, or drive. It will also make it easier to travel between two train stations: Mount Baker and the future Judkins Park station. Here are some things that will happen once the work is finished:

- The bike path will be safer and more comfortable for everyone to ride on
- The plan will connect different paths and roads so people can travel safely
- People of all ages and skill levels can use the bike route to travel to these places:
 - The I-90 bike path
 - The Mount Baker Station and future Judkins Park Station (which should be open by spring 2025)
 - The North Rainier Valley Neighborhood Greenway.

Project elements

- MLK Jr Way S will have protected bike lanes on both sides of the road.
- The road will be redesigned to make it safer for everyone who uses it.
- Changes to parking will help create space for bike lanes without hurting local businesses.
- The road markings will be updated to make things safer.
- Pedestrians will be safer too! Sidewalks will be wider and there will be more crosswalks.

We're making a new bike path and a safer street!



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Benefits

The MLK Way Safety Project will help the community in two important ways:

1. Connecting people to transit and schools:
 - This project will make it easier to get to the light rail stations, the I-90 trail, Franklin High School, and the Mount Baker Metro Transit Center.
 - The I-90 trail is important because it connects Southeast Seattle to downtown and other places in the region.
2. Making MLK Jr Way S safer for everyone:
 - Right now, there are a lot of crashes on this part of the road. People drive too fast, there are head-on collisions, and off-the-road crashes too.
 - The project will make MLK Jr Way S safer for people who walk, bike, roll, and drive.
 - By changing the road design, it will be easier for people to predict what others will do and make traveling on it more comfortable for everyone.

Schedule

May 2020: Select preferred alternative

Early 2021: 30% Design

Spring 2021: 60% Design

Spring 2023: Final Design

Fall 2023: Begin Construction

Go to the project website to learn more and get updates on how the project is going.

Funding

This project is funded by Vision Zero program, Bicycle Master Plan, Accessible Mount Baker Project, Connecting Washington Grant, and the 9-year Levy to Move Seattle. Learn more about the levy at www.seattle.gov/LevytoMoveSeattle.

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This map shows the changes we want to make to MLK Jr Way S to make it better for bikes and safer for everyone.

