

Executive Summary

The City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, is eager to participate with the proposed Rails-To-Trails 2010 Campaign for Active Transportation initiative. Three priority projects illustrated in the map below have been selected from local active transportation plans to realize with the 2010 Campaign: connecting the dots of 38 miles of new on-road bike lanes, 25 miles of new sidewalks, and 128 major pedestrian crossing improvements; overcoming the barriers formed by a ring of highways without safe crossing options; and launching the Allen Creek Greenway while completing the regional Border-to-Border Trail. The existing city and county transportation plans set the stage for these projects, but unfortunately our community does not have the local funding to implement the vision quickly. These projects will take over 30 years to realize, during which time we would miss an entire generation of users!



The initial selection and ongoing support for these priorities involves many local partners, including the Ann Arbor Transit Authority, Washtenaw County, the University of Michigan, Border-to-Border Trail Group, Ann Arbor Public Schools, getDowntown, Allen Creek Greenway Partners, Washtenaw Bicycling and Walking Coalition, and surrounding communities. A \$50 million budget and five-year timetable are included in our 2010 Campaign proposal. More 2010 Campaign support materials are posted on the city's Web site at www.a2gov.org/ActiveTransportation.

Active Transportation: Future Improvements for the Ann Arbor Area

