

# What's So Good About EcoMobility? Understanding Co-Benefits

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#### Valuing Multi-Modalism

An efficient and equitable transport system is diverse so users to choose the best mode for each trip:

- Walking and cycling for local errands
- High quality public transit when travelling on busy corridors
- Automobile travel when it is truly most efficient, considering all impacts

Current planning does a poor job of valuing this diversity.

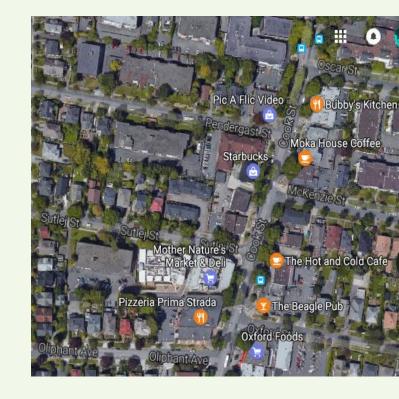


"A developed country is not where the poor drive cars, it is where the rich use public transportation"

- Enrique Peñalosa, Bogota Mayor

#### Recipe for Multi-modalism

- Excellent walking and cycling conditions.
  - Compact and mixed development so most homes are within an easy 10-mintue walk of commonly used services (transit, shops, schools, parks, etc.).
- Complete and connected streets.
- Good public transit, taxi and ridehailing services
- Nice transit stations
- Carsharing (vehicle rental services) and bikesharing



Delivery services

#### A Fair Share for Everyone

Drivers: 40-80% of residents
"I want my infrastructure dollars spent on more roads and parking facilities, and on better alternatives to reduce my traffic problems and chauffeuring burdens."

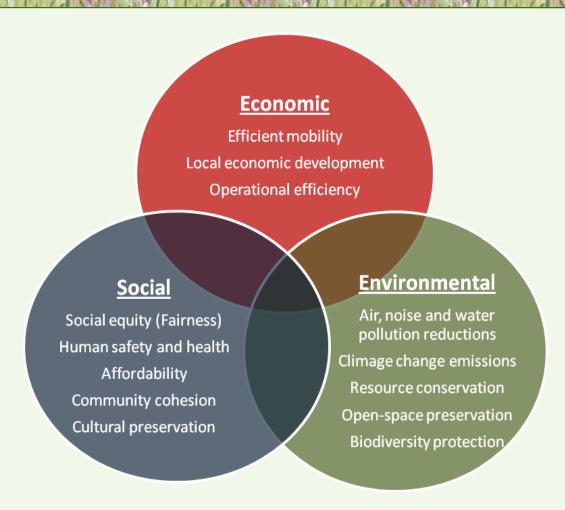


Non-Drivers: 20-60% of residents
"I want my infrastructure dollars spent on
better walking, cycling and public transit, and
policies that support transit-oriented
development."



### Sustainable Planning

Sustainability emphasizes the integrated nature of human activities and therefore the need to coordinate planning among different sectors, jurisdictions and groups.



### Sustainabile Transportation?

Is a transport system sustainable if all vehicles are electric powered?



#### Electric Power Does Not:

- Reduce traffic congestion
- Reduce accidents
- Reduce roadway costs
- Reduce parking facility costs
- Reduce vehicle purchase costs
- Improve mobility for non-drivers
- Improve social equity
- Improve public fitness and health
- Reduce sprawl
- Protect threatened habitat



## Win-Win Transport Solutions

Planning Objectives	Expand Roadways	Efficient and Alt. Fuel Vehicles	Shifts to Efficient Modes
Reduce traffic congestion	✓		✓
Roadway cost savings			✓
Parking cost savings			✓
Consumer cost savings			✓
Improve mobility options			✓
Improve traffic safety			✓
Energy conservation		✓	✓
Pollution reduction		✓	✓
Land use objectives			✓
Public fitness & health			✓
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# Potential Advocacy Partners

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Benefit	Potential Partner	
Traffic congestion reduction	Transportation agencies, motorists	

Local transport agencies, motorists, developers, businesses and economic development

associations

Parking congestion reductions Improved public safety and health

Transportation agencies, public health agencies and advocacy organizations Social service organizations, advocacy groups for seniors, low-income and people with disabilities

increased affordability Local economic development and increased real estate values

Basic mobility for non-drivers and

organizations, developers and real estate industries Environmental and economic development

Business and economic development

Energy conservation and emission reductions

organizations Improved service Current and potential efficient mode users



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