



Leading a Walk Audit in Your City

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Possibilities
Alabama

What is a Complete Street?



Safe access for road users
of all ages and abilities

Walkers...



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Public transportation users...



Bicycle riders...



And drivers, too.



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***What does a
walkable community
look like?***



A. Crossing the Street





Will She Make It?



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In many communities, it's all about the car.



Crosswalks and median islands



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Curb cuts





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Tactile strips



B. Sidewalks





No sidewalks



School Days



Foot Traffic

**How
helpful is
this?**





**Obstacles,
anyone?**



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C. Driving Behavior and Environment





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Bikes vs. cars



A Dead End



**Bike lanes can be as
cheap as paint!**

D. Security, Comfort and Appeal





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**Does congestion interfere
with a pleasant walk?**



**Would you
want to wait at
this bus stop?**





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Aspiring to What Can Be



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“Getting There From Here”



- No bike lane
- No sidewalks
- Poor lighting
- No marked crossings
- No signage

Before

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“Getting There From Here”

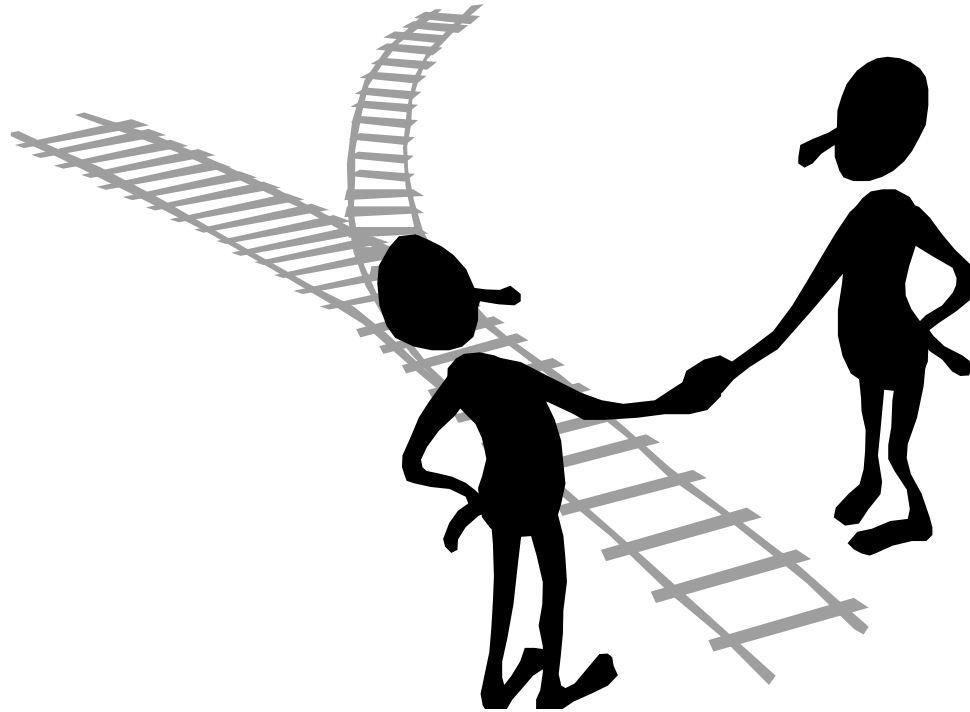


- **Bike lanes**
- **Sidewalks**
- **Street lighting**
- **Street crossings**
- **Bus stop shelter**
- **Street signage**

After

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Be open to solutions





Team Assignments

- Section A: Crossing the Street (Intersections or mid-block crossings)
- Section B: Sidewalks
- Section C: Driver Behavior and Environment
- Section D: Security, Comfort and Appeal



Things to observe and try

- **Diversity of road users: ages, mobility, ways of getting around**
- **What works well and what needs improvement**
- **PHOTOS – these help your**
- **descriptions**
- **Put yourself in others' shoes**



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