

## **Proposed Regional Goals**

MORPC is beginning the development process of the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Columbus Urbanized Area. The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a long-range planning document that identifies transportation priorities, strategies, and projects over the next two decades. It is updated on a four-year cycle. We coordinate the development of the MTP with communities throughout Central Ohio and with other local, state and federal agencies.

The MTP makes the greater Columbus region eligible to receive a large amount of federal transportation funding to improve, maintain, and operate public transit, highways, bikeways, sidewalks, and related facilities. Transportation projects must be included in the MTP to be eligible to receive federal funding.

The MTP is developed based on a set of regional goals. The regional goals will guide the development of the MTP and give direction to investments in the regional transportation system. These goals represent six broad visions, which will each be measured by objectives, measures, and targets.

The proposed goals are as follows:

By guiding investment in transportation and mobility infrastructure and services in Central Ohio, the MTP identifies strategies to advance the following six goals:

- Position central Ohio to attract and retain economic opportunity to prosper as a region and compete globally.
- Create sustainable neighborhoods to improve all residents' quality of life.
- Provide transportation and mobility to benefit the health, safety, and welfare of all people.
- Reduce per capita energy consumption and promote alternative fuel resources to increase affordability and resilience of regional energy supplies.
- Protect natural resources and mitigate infrastructure vulnerabilities to maintain a healthy ecosystem and community.
- Increase regional collaboration and employ innovative transportation solutions to maximize the return on public expenditures.

Comments on the proposed goals are being accepted through November 4, 2022 by email to mtp@morpc.org or in writing to MORPC, 111 Liberty Street, Suite 100, Columbus, OH, 43215, Attn: MTP. For more information on the MTP, visit www.morpc.org/mtp.

