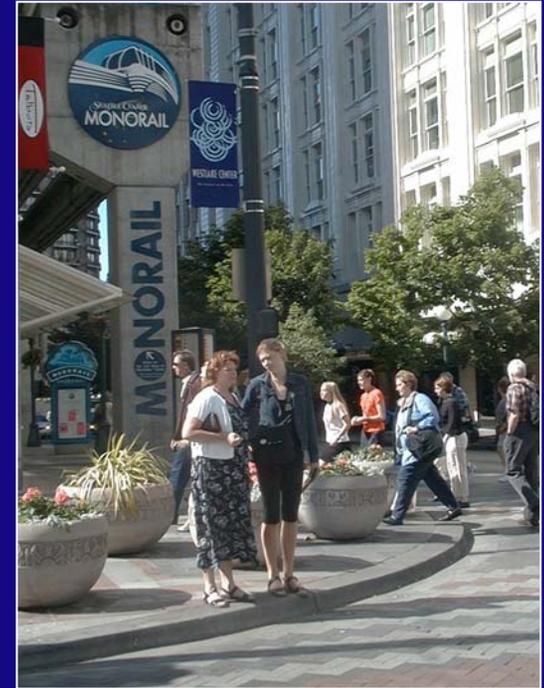


The Seattle Pedestrian Master Plan



Pedestrian Master Plan Advisory Group Kick-Off
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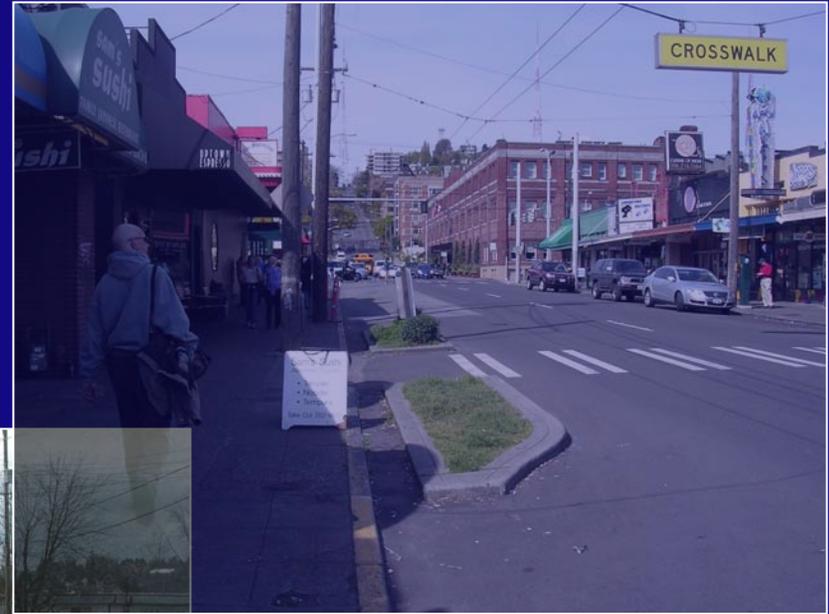
We Want To...

- Reduce the number and severity of crashes
- Get more people walking
- Help build strong communities



Understand the System We Have...

- What works?
- What doesn't work?
- Where are the gaps and opportunities?



Define Our Needs and Priorities

- Overcome physical barriers
- Make walking a viable choice for everyone
- Improve safety



Develop the System We Want

- Connect and Create Great Places
- Implement Best Practices from Other Cities
- Work “Towards a Sustainable Seattle”



How do we get there?



Leverage Support & Recent Actions

- Mayor's 10 Point Plan for Pedestrian Safety
- Bicycle Master Plan
- Complete Streets Ordinance
- National Attention on Public Health and Environmental Benefits of Walking



Health pitch for green policies

Fight climate change now and see immediate benefits, scientists say

800,000 Approximate number of those killed annually by urban air pollution, according to the World Health Organization.

150,000 Estimated number who died worldwide in 2000 from health issues related to climate change, nearly 50 percent in Asia and Africa, according to the WHO.

BY MARGIE MASON
The Associated Press

BANGKOK, Thailand - Countries that start battling global warming now won't have to wait generations to see the rewards: Burning cleaner fuels can yield immediate health benefits that save lives and money, world health experts say.

A climate change conference in Bangkok this week has centered on the high cost of promoting greener policies. But governments should consider how much they will save in medical costs by adopting policies that minimize heat waves, disease and water scarcity resulting from rising temperatures, the scientists said.

Big developing countries such as China and India can play a huge role in improving health by expanding their use of cleaner energy sources, said Diarmuid Campbell-Lendrum, an expert on global environmental change and health at the World Health Organization.

"The policy options that you choose to try to cut (carbon dioxide) emissions also have very important health effects," he said from the agency's headquarters in Geneva.

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Legislation: Bill calls for study of political, social, agricultural and economic risks associated with climate change over next 30 years. A12
In Seattle: We're considered leaders in preparedness. A12

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Build on Existing Plans and Policies

- Seattle Comprehensive and Neighborhood Plans
- Transportation Strategic Plan
- Modal and Sub-Area Plans
- Climate Action Plan
- Urban Forest Management, Art Plans



Support Partnerships

...in the end, we do it together

City



Stakeholders

Community



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Next Steps

- Establish working relationships and procedures
- Finalize project scope
- Define public involvement actions

