Placemaking for Pedestrians:

Turning Multi-Modal Transportation Transition Points into Placemaking Opportunities

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Places are for people, not cars



People enjoy great places as pedestrians



Transportation Network

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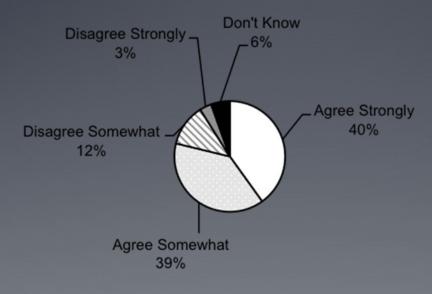


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"The Transportation Network seeks to ensure that transportation projects are designed to maintain and improve the existing road system, increase public transportation services between cities and villages in the region, and expand infrastructure serving pedestrians and bicyclists both in and out of town."

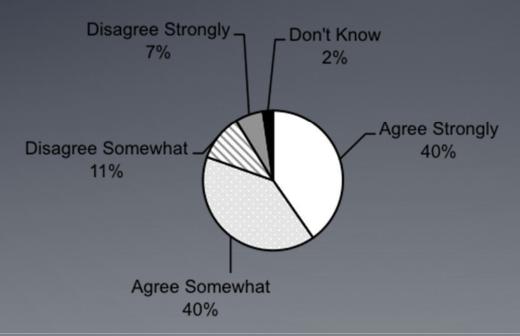
Public Support for Central Public Parking: 79%

Grand Vision Public Opinion Survey, March-April 2009:
"I think increased traffic in our villages and cities would be okay if I could park once and walk to shops, jobs, schools and parks."



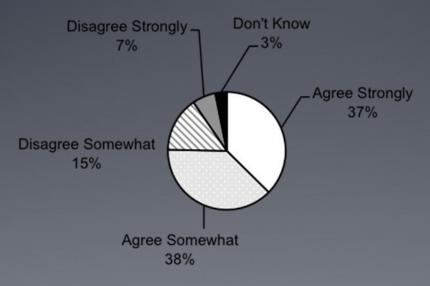
Public Support for Biking and Walking Infrastructure – 80%

Grand Vision Public Opinion Survey, March-April 2009:
"I think future investments in transportation should include trails and sidewalks for biking and walking, even if it means some roads aren't widened."



Public Support for Public Transit Infrastructure – 75%

Grand Vision Public Opinion Survey, March-April 2009:
"I think future investments in transportation should include more public transportation, including in-town buses and regional bus service, even if it means some roads aren't widened."



What Are Transportation Transition Points?

Places Where Visitors To Your Place Become Pedestrians:

Public Parking Lots

Trail Heads in Villages

Fixed-Route Bus Stops

Public Parking Lots:

Places where people can park once and walk to shops, jobs, schools and parks

vs. Private parking

- Public kiosks and wayfinding signage
- Public Restrooms
- Convenient not free

Trail Heads in Villages

- Bike parking/ racks
- Public drinking fountains
- Shady benches
- Public kiosks and wayfinding signage
- Restrooms



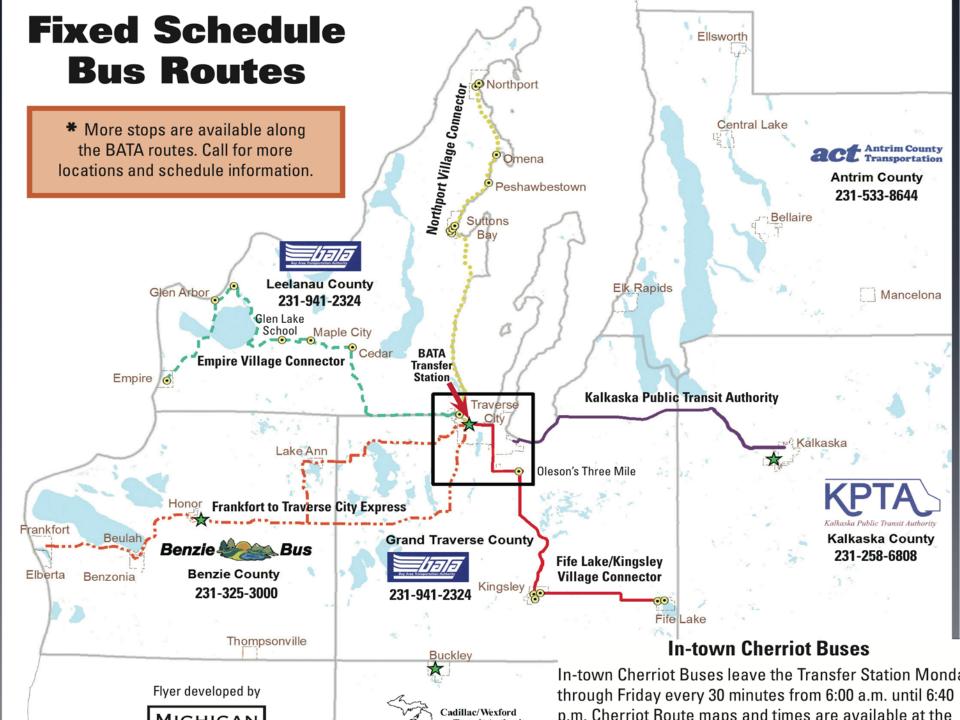


Fixed-Route Bus Stops

- People get off the bus as pedestrians
- They should get dropped right into the center of the place
 - Public information/ wayfinding signage
 - Restrooms
 - Public drinking fountain
 - Shady benches

Village Connector Routes

- BATA Northport/ Suttons Bay
- BATA Empire
- BATA Kingsley/ Fife Lake
- Benzie Bus Frankfort to TC





Northport Village Connector

























My Bus Stop: Burdickville









Other Fun Bus Stops



Senior Center – Traverse City



Mendocino CA









