



Arlington County Transportation Planning Process

Arlington County follows similar planning processes to other Northern Virginia localities. **Comprehensive Planning** feeds **Project Selection**, which feeds **Funding** decisions. Only after funding has been identified are projects added to TPB's constrained planning element.

Comprehensive Planning

Arlington's Master Transportation Plan (MTP) acts as the guiding document for transportation planning. The plan is composed of separate elements for Streets, Transportation Demand Management (TDM), Bicycles, Parking & Curbs, Pedestrians, and Transit. Each element contains policies, programs, and projects for its specific mode, and is the genesis for later corridor plans and capital projects. Overall, the MTP focuses on access for all users and modes, coordinated land use & transportation, and movement of people rather than vehicles. A new MTP will kick off in 2024, ultimately resulting in a new plan.

Project Selection

Selection considers safety, equity, feasibility, public support, functionality, connectivity, and funding. Public input drives the process at every stage, first guiding the plans, then the individual projects that result from the plans. Arlington's Six Step Public Engagement Process grounds decision-making in public input.

Funding

Arlington's FY 2023-2032 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) implements projects. Federal, state, and regional funds supplement dedicated local funds in a manner similar to Northern Virginia peer jurisdictions.