

# Building Consensus for Roundabouts

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# Decision-Makers and Stakeholders

- Internal staff - executives and other staff
- Elected officials
- General public - those immediately at the intersection and the community at large

# The Need and Urgency

- **Safety - for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians**
  - Crash trends going in the wrong direction (bigger vehicles, distracted driving)
- **Mobility - reducing delay while having fewer lanes**
  - Vehicle-miles traveled (VMT) reduction strategies
- **Livability - traffic calming and aesthetics**
  - More people biking and walking
- **Sustainability - reducing maintenance and operation cost**
  - Fiscal challenges, and more affordable solutions available

# Public Outreach

- Public engagement, for both locally elected officials and the general public, is key for successfully implementing roundabouts
- Education may need to be provided to local officials or the public if there is unfamiliarity of roundabouts or mini-roundabouts

# Identify Community Concerns

- Safety or congestion
- Restricted access to adjacent properties
- Parking impacts
- Pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- School zone
- Transit stops
- Truck access
- Emergency response time
- Traffic diversion

# Public Outreach Tips

- Use workshop format, separate from City Council or Board of Supervisor meeting
- Meet individually with concerned public officials
- Consider giving a presentation addressing the pertinent issues, including need and potential concerns
- Show relevant videos that can address concerns
- Discuss various types of circular intersections
- Allow questions and answers

# Public Outreach Tips

- Listen with empathy
- Consider having law enforcement present at public meetings
- Consider a temporary “pop-up” or roundabout rodeo demonstration if first roundabout in area

# Demonstrations



Source: Trailnet "Slow Your Street: A How-to Guide for Pop-Up Traffic Calming"

## Pop-up Roundabout



## Roundabout Rodeo