

STREETS FOR RECOVERY

Guide to Resources and Grant Programs for Massachusetts Communities

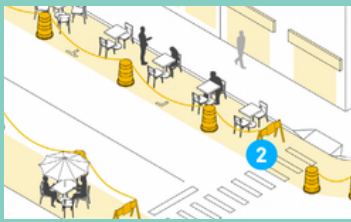
An urgent challenge facing communities is how to reopen while keeping residents safe through physical distancing. In a time when we're required to maintain physical distance to protect public health, cities and towns are tasked with rethinking space allocation of our streets.

Communities can make quick, affordable and flexible adaptations to public spaces and public right-of-ways to 1) support increased mobility by bike, bus or foot, and 2) allow the creation of new spaces in streets, parking lots and other public spaces to support local economies.



PARKLET

Raised public seating platforms that convert curbside parking spaces into community spaces. *Ideal on a shared street to elevate outdoor tables to the level of the sidewalk.*



STREATERY

Street-grade, temporary outdoor dining on roadways or other parking surfaces. *Ideal when street-grade seating is sufficient, with border delineators marking edges.*



BIKE NETWORKS

Temporary bike lanes using paint, bollards, cones or other treatments. *Temporary bike networks will encourage people to cycle to travel safely and comfortably.*



PEDESTRIAN ZONES

Sidewalk expansion to create more space for people, using cones, traffic barrels, etc. *Narrow sidewalks don't provide adequate physical distancing.*

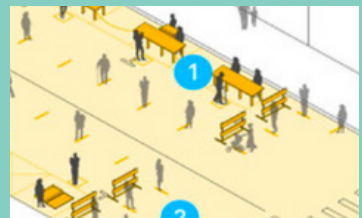
SHARED STREETS

Barriers and signage to slow traffic on streets so vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists can safely share the road. *Ideal for low-volume residential or commercial streets.*



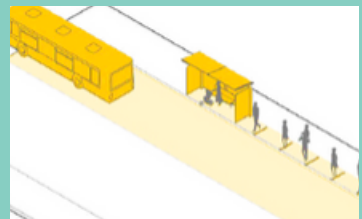
OPEN STREETS

Use barriers & signage to close streets to motor vehicle traffic and open to people. *Allows for outdoor dining and retail space with social distancing.*



TRANSIT

Support deployment of bus priority and safe loading in your community. *Rapid movement of bus transit decreases crowding and encourage bus use.*



(Illustrations courtesy of NACTO)

These initiatives will play an important role during the pandemic recovery. Across Massachusetts, new funding opportunities are being made available to help enable municipalities to quickly plan, design, and implement interventions in public spaces and the public-right-of way.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITIES

These FREE technical assistance opportunities are geared toward preparing your municipality or organization to pilot projects and apply to larger funding opportunities. They are meant to be deployed rapidly and with low barrier to entry.

BRAINSTORMING & ITERATING



THE LAWRENCE & LILLIAN
SOLOMON FOUNDATION

APPLY

FOR MUNICIPALITIES AND NON-PROFITS (W/ MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP)

Help communities ideate, plan for and pilot shared streets initiatives and prepare to apply for grant funding opportunities. Support also available from **bench consulting**, **Patronicity**, Neighborways and others through this opportunity. Grants of \$5,000 - \$10,000 may also be available with priority given for holistic projects that address the highest need for our most vulnerable communities and those most impacted by COVID-19.

TECHNICAL DRAWINGS & RENDERINGS



Barr
Foundation

APPLY

FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN MASSDOT SHARED STREETS & SPACES GRANT PROGRAM

Support municipalities in developing their applications for MassDOT grant program. This support includes planning and developing designs for quick-build projects.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND PROCUREMENT ASSISTANCE



MAPC

FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN RPA COVERAGE AREA

MAPC or your regional RPA may be able to assist you with planning and procurement.



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

MassDOT Shared Streets and Spaces Grant Program

FOR MUNICIPALITIES

Grants from \$5k to \$300K to fund shared streets & spaces, outdoor dining & commerce, support for safer, more reliable buses and safe routes to school.

Deadline: Rolling as funds permit

APPLY

MassDev Commonwealth Places COVID-19 Response Round: Resurgent Places

NON-PROFITS & COMMUNITY GROUPS (IN ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES)

Grants up to \$25,000 to support shared streets and spaces in downtown and neighborhood commercial districts. Eligible projects include outdoor seating spaces, sidewalk retail venues, partitions to support social distancing, and more.

Deadline: July 31, 2020

APPLY

Crowdfunding

FOR MUNICIPALITIES, NON-PROFITS, COMMUNITY GROUPS & PRIVATE BUSINESSES

If above sources aren't available for their specific needs, communities can work with Patronicity to crowdfund for projects.

Deadline: None/Rolling

APPLY