

# Transportation

Transportation is a cross-cutting topic that affects the daily lives of every person who lives and works in Gowanus. Sub-topics include:

- connectivity
- accessibility
- mobility
- safety for pedestrians, motorists, bicyclists and public transit users

The **Department of Transportation (DOT)** provides for the safe, efficient and environmentally responsible movement of people and goods throughout the city. More holistically, DOT is involved with the public realm of city streets, managing capital investments, parking and loading regulations, and improving street conditions. The **Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)** oversees buses and subways, while state, regional and federal agencies also play a role in the city’s transportation network.

**What would YOU like to see? Give us your thoughts and suggestions!**



3rd St &  
3rd Ave



Union St  
Bridge



Degraw St  
between  
3rd Ave &  
4th Ave

## Key Priorities or Initiatives

- Ensure the efficient and safe movement of goods, pedestrians and vehicular traffic on streets, highways, bridges and waterways, particularly at intersections and corridors throughout Gowanus that pose challenges
- Improve traffic mobility and reduce congestion, whether you are walking to work, driving a truck in the Gowanus IBZ, or biking around the neighborhood.
- Rehabilitate and maintain bridges, tunnels, streets, sidewalks, and highways, such as the Union Street bridge and streets damaged by Hurricane Sandy
- Encourage the use of mass transit and sustainable modes of transportation and promote strategic improvements for bicyclists and users of buses and subways
- Conduct traffic safety educational programs

Sample Projects and Initiatives:

- Vision Zero
- 2016 Strategic Plan
- Bridge Repairs (e.g. Union Street Bridge)