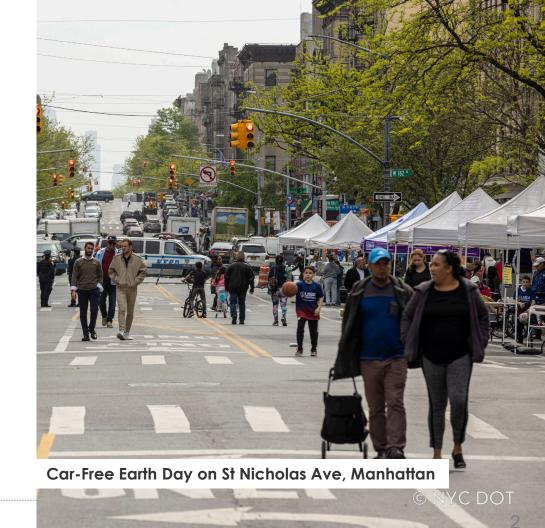




Overview

- Background, Existing Conditions + Previous Work
- Missing Bridge Connection
- Proposal
- Summary, Timeline, & Next Steps



Background

Project Area

Priority Investment Area Tier 1

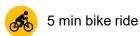
Streets Plan Focus Area

Recent DOT Work

- Amsterdam Ave School Safety Project with protected bike lane (2022)
- Launch of Open Streets on Amsterdam Ave and 182 St School Street (2021)
- Washington Bridge bike path and bus lane (2024)

Recent Port Authority Upgrades

 Opening of George Washington Bridge Northwalk (2023)





Cycling in Numbers

Washington Bridge (1 Year After Counts)*

- 126% increase in bicycle ridership on North side and -49% drop on South side's shared bicycle/pedestrian path (weekdays only)
- Combined weekday and weekend bicycle ridership up 96% (nearly doubled) on Washington Bridge one year after bike path opening

Citi Bike Growth:

- Bike share stations between George W. and Washington Bridge**:
 - 435 average daily Citi Bike trips (2023)
 - 483 average daily Citi Bike trips (2024)
- 11.16% increase in bikeshare ridership **over 1 year.**(Source: Lyft, Citi Bike)



New Two-way protected bike path on Washington Bridge connecting Bronx and Manhattan (North Side)

Bike the Block Audubon Ave

In partnership with Connectamonos and I Challenge **Myself**, Bike the Block event in Washington Heights promotes safe cycling, access to bike education, back to school efforts and cultural programing

Location: Audubon Ave., W. 184th St. to W. 188th St.

Past Events: Sept. 17, 2023 & Oct. 26, 2024, 11am-3pm

Attendees: 800 total Helmets distributed: 382

Featuring:

- Cyclist Education
- Learn to Bike Ride Classes
- Free Bike Rentals
- Free Bike Repair
- **Group Bike Ride**
- **Music and Arts & Crafts**





Proposal



Project Map Proposed

West-Bound Bridge Connection

Goal:

- Connect cyclists from Washington Bridge to George Washington Bridge - Bronx to Manhattan to New Jersey
- Improve access to the Hudson River Greenway
- Reduce sidewalk riding by cyclists exiting the George Washington Bridge Northwalk
- Clarify bike routing through neighborhood

Routes:

- W. 182nd St., Amsterdam Ave. and Broadway Broadway, W. 181st St. and W. 182nd St.
- W. 181st St., Broadway and Riverside Dr.
- Cabrini Blvd., W. 180th St. and W. 181st St.



W. 182 St. Proposed

Conventional Bike Lane

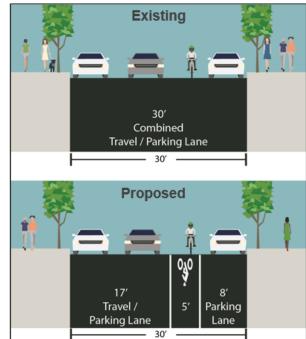
W. 182nd St. between Amsterdam Ave and Broadway

Benefits:

- Traffic calming by visually narrowing the roadway
- Dedicated lane for cyclists
- Increases predictability for each road user
- No change to travel capacity or parking







Broadway Proposed

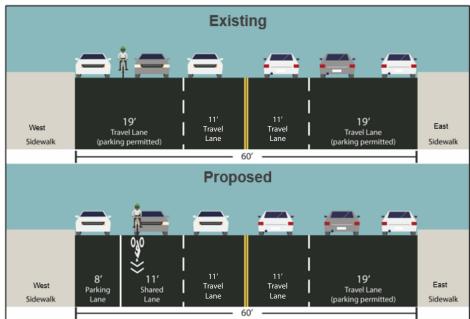
Shared Bike Lane (One-way)Broadway between W. 181st and W. 182nd Sts

Benefits:

- Provides Wayfinding
- Alerts drivers about cyclists on the road
- Organizes the roadway
- No change to travel capacity or parking







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W. 181 St. Proposed

Conventional Bike Lane – Uphill

Broadway to Ft. Washington Ave. (Westbound) Haven Ave. to Ft. Washington Ave. (Eastbound)

Shared Bike Lane – Downhill

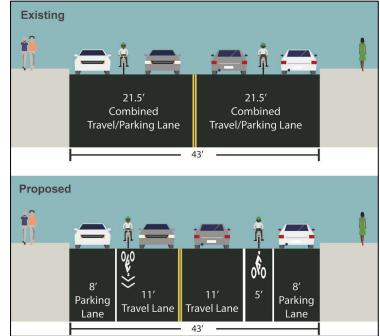
Ft. Washington Ave. to Haven Ave. (Westbound)

Benefits:

- Provides dedicated space on the road for cyclists
- Organizes the roadway
- No change to travel capacity or parking







W. 181 St., Riverside Dr. and Haven Ave.

Proposed

Conventional Bike Lane (two-way)

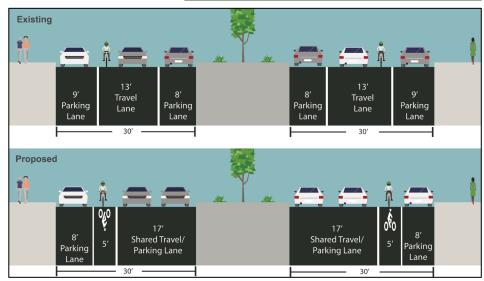
Riverside Dr. to Haven Ave.

Benefits:

- Provides dedicated space on the road for cyclist
- Organizes the roadway
- No change to travel capacity or parking







Cabrini Blvd. Proposed

Contraflow Bike Lanes
Cabrini Blvd. between W. 180th St. and
W. 181 St.

Benefits:

- Most direct route to greenway and bike network
- Discourages sidewalk riding
- Calms traffic by visually narrowing the roadway
- Alerts drivers about cyclists on the road
- Strengthens connection to George Washington Bridge Northwalk
- No impact to travel capacity or parking



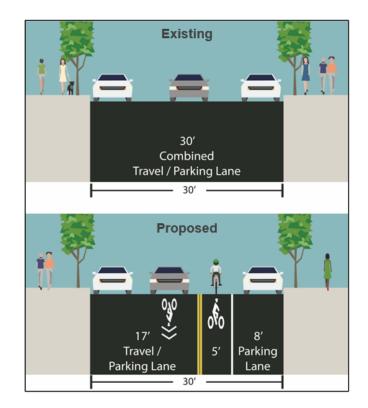


Cabrini Blvd. Proposed

Contraflow Bike Lane

Create a safe direct route for cyclists in low-traffic blocks and connect to bike network.





Summary & Next Steps



Summary of Benefits

- Provides dedicated space for bikes, and calm Traffic by visually narrowing the roadway
- Bike network expansion to better connect Bridges and local Greenway network
- Addresses sidewalk riding on Cabrini Blvd
- Improves wayfinding between Washington Bridge and George Washington Bridge, as well as greenway network

Tentative Project Implementation

Summer/Fall 2025

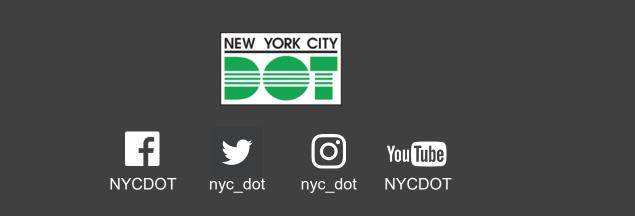






Thank You!

Questions?



Street Improvement Projects Toolbox



Shared Bicycle Lanes

Shared lane markings guide cyclists where to ride on the street

- Alert drivers & cyclists of shared space
- Provide wayfinding for cyclists
- Guide cyclists away from car doors



Standard Bicycle Lanes

Bicycle lane provides dedicated space in the road

- Discourage speeding by visually narrowing the road
- Increase predictability by clearly defining road space for each user



Contraflow Bicycle Lanes

Bicycle lane provides dedicated space in the road

- Discourage speeding by visually narrowing the road
- Increase predictability by clearly defining road space for each user
- Creates direct connection to bicycle network

Safe Streets for Cycling



Protected Bike Lanes

- 34% reduction in risk of injury
- On the highest-risk streets, cycling risk or injury is reduced by over 60%



Standard Bike Lanes

- 32% reduction in risk of injury
- Improved safety on all study projects



Shared Lanes

- 18% reduction in risk of injury across all projects
- Limited use (wayfinding, as part of bike blvds, or on very narrow/low volume streets)*

Safe Streets for Cycling

Safety Benefits of Bike Facilities:

Protected Bike Lanes

- Risk reduction of 34% across all study projects
- On the highest risk streets, cyclist risk is reduced by over 60%

Conventional Bike Lanes

- Risk reduction of 32% across all study projects
- Improved safety on all streets, particularly on low and mid- volume streets (42%, 26% reduction in risk respectively)

Cycling Volumes:

- Installation of PBL and conventional bike lane increased bicycle volumes by 50%
- On the highest risk streets, bicycling volumes nearly doubled after a bike lane was installed



Citi Bike

Cycling in Numbers

- 15% of New Yorkers use bike share (Mobility Survey, 2018)
- 19.5 million Citi Bike trips in 2020
- Citi Bike regularly serves over 80,000 trips per day

Equity

NYCHA Residents & SNAP Recipients

- \$5/month
- No annual commitment



