

# Destination 2040 Vision, Goals, and Objectives

The Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization envisions a modern, well-maintained transportation system that supports a sustainable, healthy, livable, and economically vibrant region. To achieve this vision, the transportation system must be safe and resilient; incorporate emerging technologies; and provide equitable access, excellent mobility, and varied transportation options.

GOALS	OBJECTIVES
<b>SAFETY</b>	
Transportation by all modes will be safe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce the number and severity of crashes and safety incidents for all modes</li> <li>Reduce serious injuries and fatalities from transportation</li> <li>Make investments and support initiatives that help protect transportation customers, employees, and the public from safety and security threats</li> </ul>
<b>SYSTEM PRESERVATION AND MODERNIZATION</b>	
Maintain and modernize the transportation system and plan for its resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain the transportation system, including roadway, transit, and active transportation infrastructure, in a state of good repair</li> <li>Modernize transportation infrastructure across all modes</li> <li>Prioritize projects that support planned response capability to existing or future extreme conditions (sea level rise, flooding, and other natural and security-related man-made impacts)</li> </ul>
<b>CAPACITY MANAGEMENT AND MOBILITY</b>	
Use existing facility capacity more efficiently and increase transportation options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve access to and accessibility of all modes, especially transit and active transportation</li> <li>Support implementation of roadway management and operations strategies to improve travel reliability, mitigate congestion, and support non-single-occupant vehicle travel options</li> <li>Emphasize capacity management through low-cost investments; prioritize projects that focus on lower-cost operations/management-type improvements such as intersection improvements, transit priority, and Complete Streets solutions</li> <li>Improve reliability of transit</li> <li>Increase percentage of population and employment within one-quarter mile of transit stations and stops</li> <li>Support community-based and private-initiative services and programs to meet first-/last-mile, reverse commute, and other non-traditional transit/transportation needs, including those of people 75 years old or older and people with disabilities</li> <li>Support strategies to better manage automobile and bicycle parking capacity and usage at transit stations</li> <li>Fund improvements to bicycle/pedestrian networks aimed at creating a connected network of bicycle and accessible sidewalk facilities (both regionally and in neighborhoods) by expanding existing facilities and closing gaps</li> <li>Increase percentage of population and places of employment with access to facilities on the bicycle network</li> <li>Eliminate bottlenecks on freight network/improve freight reliability</li> <li>Enhance freight intermodal connections</li> </ul>
<b>TRANSPORTATION EQUITY</b>	
Ensure that all people receive comparable benefits from, and are not disproportionately burdened by, MPO investments, regardless of race, color, national origin, age, income, ability, or sex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prioritize MPO investments that benefit equity populations*</li> <li>Minimize potential harmful environmental, health, and safety effects of MPO funded projects for all equity populations*</li> <li>Promote investments that support transportation for all ages (age-friendly communities)</li> <li>Promote investments that are accessible to all people regardless of ability</li> </ul> <p>*Equity populations include people who identify as minority, have limited English proficiency, are 75 years old or older or 17 years old or younger, or have a disability; or are members of low-income households.</p>
<b>CLEAN AIR/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES</b>	
Create an environmentally friendly transportation system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce greenhouse gases generated in Boston region by all transportation modes</li> <li>Reduce other transportation-related pollutants</li> <li>Minimize negative environmental impacts of the transportation system</li> <li>Support land use policies consistent with smart, healthy, and resilient growth</li> </ul>
<b>ECONOMIC VITALITY</b>	
Ensure our transportation network provides a strong foundation for economic vitality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respond to mobility needs of the workforce population</li> <li>Minimize burden of housing/transportation costs for residents in the region</li> <li>Prioritize transportation investments that serve residential, commercial, and logistics targeted development sites and "Priority Places" identified in MBTA's <i>Focus 40</i> plan</li> <li>Prioritize transportation investments consistent with compact-growth strategies of the regional land use plan</li> </ul>

Source: Boston Region MPO.