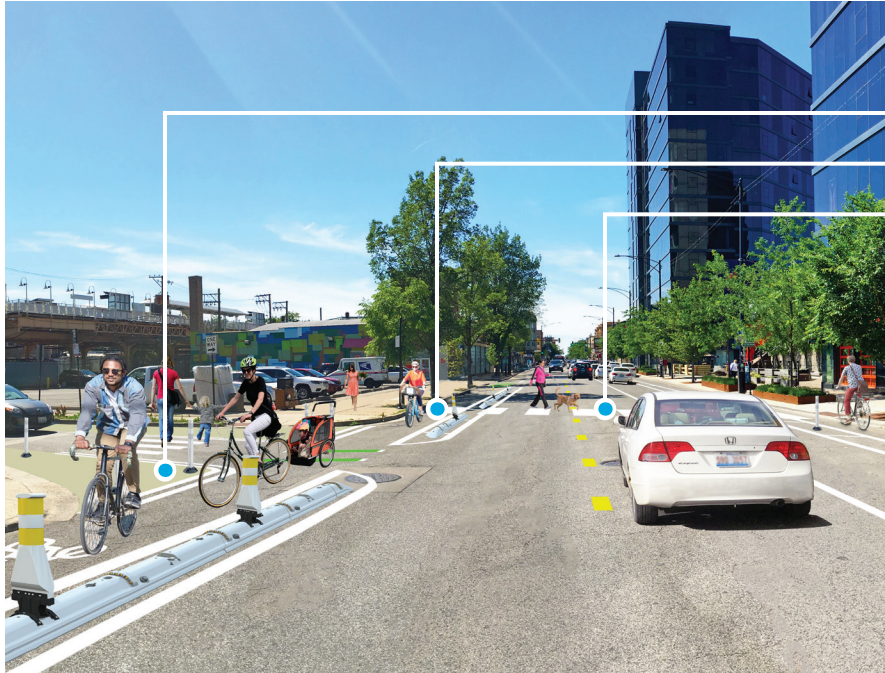


Milwaukee Ave Safety Improvements

Safety improvements are coming to Milwaukee Avenue between Western and California to **MAKE THE STREET SAFER FOR EVERYONE**—whether they walk, drive, bike, or take transit—and **IMPROVE ACCESS TO LOCAL BUSINESSES**.



WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

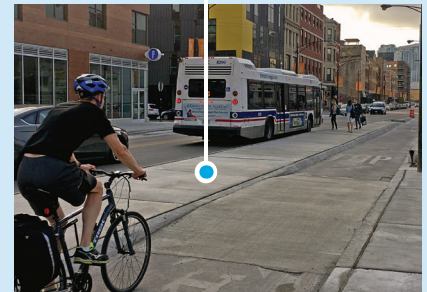
Pedestrian Bumpouts

Protected Bike Lane

Potential **New Crosswalks**

20 MPH Speed Limit (Already Installed)

Potential **Bus Boarding Island**



HOW WILL THIS BENEFIT THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

- **Lower travel speeds** and **higher comfort** for everyone living, working, and visiting Milwaukee Avenue
- **Improved business access** for people walking, biking, and taking transit
- **Better access to the Blue Line and CTA Route 66** with new crosswalks
- **Better bike lanes are good for business.** Multiple studies have found bicyclists visit local businesses more often and spend more overall on local businesses.
- **Protected bike lanes** are more comfortable for new bike riders and will help more people bike around the neighborhood and to work.

WHEN ARE THESE CHANGES HAPPENING?

CDOT will install these safety improvements later this summer.

WHY THIS PROJECT?

- Milwaukee Ave experiences a **high number of crashes for people walking and biking.**
- The current design **doesn't reflect how people use the street**—walking, biking, and taking transit.
- Safety improvements have already been installed elsewhere on Milwaukee Ave.
- These changes will make Milwaukee Ave **more comfortable for everyone**, no matter how they get around.
- CDOT and the 1st Ward has already heard from **many people and businesses supporting these changes.**

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WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED ABOUT MILWAUKEE?



Many parking spaces go unused
46% of parking spaces are occupied on an average weekday.



Some people are driving at dangerous speeds on Milwaukee
500 vehicles were recorded driving faster than 30 MPH in one day, with a top speed of **60 MPH**.



People walking and biking are disproportionately injured in crashes
2/3 of injury-producing crashes involve people walking or biking.



There are large gaps between some designated crosswalks along Milwaukee
Lots of people have told us it can be **difficult to cross the street** to access businesses and get to bus stops and the Blue Line.



Bicycling to work along Milwaukee is growing faster than the rest of Chicago
Bicycling is growing faster than any other mode in Chicago. Bicycling to work along Milwaukee is growing **3 times faster** than the rest of the city.



Milwaukee is an important commuter route for people biking
During rush hour, people biking make up **one-quarter of all traffic** in the peak direction.

WHO HAVE WE TALKED TO?

We've spent the last year learning about the corridor and talking to residents, business owners, and advocates. We've talked to:

30+ Businesses along Milwaukee Avenue

1ST WARD ALDERMAN
Daniel La Spata



Greater Goethe Neighborhood Association

CHANGES TO ON-STREET PARKING

- To accommodate these safety improvements, on-street parking will be consolidated to one side of the street.
- **NO residential parking will be removed. NO changes will be made to existing residential permit zones.**
- Parking will still be available on Milwaukee Avenue
- We adjusted our design to accommodate as many businesses as possible.
- All existing standing and loading zones will remain

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Many people have already reached out to the 1st Ward to voice their support for a safer Milwaukee Avenue. **Take the survey to share your thoughts:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6T2PYSQ>