



# FY 23/24 ANNUAL ADA TRANSITION PLAN EVALUATION REPORT

Marion County Public Works



## BACKGROUND & OVERVIEW

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 is a civil rights statute to protect persons with disabilities against discrimination in all areas of public life. The 2022 Marion County ADA Transition Plan for the Public Rights-of-Way (ADA Transition Plan) was prepared in accordance with Title II of the ADA, which prohibits the discrimination against individuals with disabilities in the provision of state and local governments and facilities.

The ADA requires public agencies to perform a self-evaluation of infrastructure and develop a plan for bringing infrastructure into compliance with the ADA. The ADA Transition Plan identifies physical accessibility barriers in pedestrian facilities within the Marion County public Right-of-Way that should be removed.

## SUMMARY OF WORK COMPLETED

The Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Annual ADA Transition Plan Evaluation Report tracks Marion County's progress towards ensuring the public Right-of-Way becomes fully accessible. The annual report follows the reporting requirements established in the ADA Transition Plan and summarizes the work started and/or completed in the prior fiscal year (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024).

The report provides an outline of current and future projects the County plans to undertake in the coming year as well as funding sources. In some instances, the duration of the project may extend beyond the reporting period, therefore, reporting of completed activities will be included in subsequent yearly reports.

### **1. A summary of any Requests for Accommodation, grievances or complaints that were filed during the previous year regarding accessibility within the Marion County public right-of-way that will provide information on decisions, work completed, costs, and response time.**

There were no Requests for Accommodation or grievances filed in Fiscal Year 23/24.

Marion County Public Works received one sidewalk complaint for spalling concrete during the reporting period. The complaint was reviewed and documented in the ADA Transition Plan GIS mapping and inventory database for tracking and future prioritization reference.

Sidewalk complaints are reviewed and documented; however, repairs are the responsibility of the homeowner in accordance with a Marion County Board Order (dated February 25, 1986) and Oregon Revised Statute 368.910, "the owner of the abutting real property shall maintain and repair the sidewalks or curbs".

Marion County will continue to review, document and track sidewalk complaints or other reported barriers. The county will prioritize and incorporate barrier repairs into future capital improvements or private developments as required.

**2. A summary of the project work and costs associated with ADA improvements on Marion County overlay and construction projects from Fiscal Year 22/23 and Fiscal Year 23/24.**

A. On-going Projects Reported in Fiscal Year 22/23

Hayesville Drive NE Curb Ramp and Sidewalk Upgrades - This project was reported in the FY 22/23 report, and construction of all ADA ramps is substantially complete. To date, 42 of the 66 ramps have passed inspection, and the remaining 24 ramps have some required corrective action. It is anticipated that all work will be completed by December 30, 2024, and will be entered in the GIS system. These ramps are not included in Section 3 totals for FY 23/24 reporting period and will be included in the FY 24/25 report.

All other projects reported in the FY 22/23 report have been completed, added to the ADA GIS inventory and included in Section 3 Summary below.

B. Projects Initiated in Fiscal Year 23/24

In Fiscal Year 23/24, four (4) new capital construction projects were initiated to aid in removing barriers in the Marion County public right of way. Two of the projects have been completed and the remaining two should be completed by Spring of 2025.

I. Four Corners Sidewalk, Ramps and RRFB - Safe Routes to School Project - Complete

Marion County received an ODOT Safe Routes to School grant for safety improvements along Elma Ave, in Salem, OR, which includes frontage improvements to Four Corners Elementary School.

A Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) crosswalk was installed on State Street, east of Elma Av, creating a new crosswalk location for children and increasing the safety for students crossing this urban arterial. A new walkway and sidewalk infill was constructed on the east side of Elma Ave., along with enhanced safety measures such as high visibility signing and striping. Speed hump traffic calming measures were constructed at the intersections near the school- at Elma & Beck and Elma & Durbin. A total of six curb ramps, 875 feet of sidewalk and 2 push button RRFBs were installed and are included in Section 3.

Total Construction Cost for completing this project was (including engineering): **\$675,000**  
Approximate Costs for ADA Improvements: **\$ 167,000**

II. Central Street (City of Gates) ARPA Improvements - Complete

Marion County received American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to make improvements to Central Street in downtown City of Gates. The project completed construction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, street lighting and stormwater facilities on the south side of West Central Street. Additional features include enhanced pedestrian curb ramps and decorative pavers, trash receptacles, a bike rack as well as parking spaces and new driveways. A total of four curb ramps and 310 feet of sidewalk was installed and are included in Section 3.

Total Construction Cost for completing this project: **\$670,000**  
Approximate Costs for ADA Improvements: **\$ 78,065**

### III. Shaff Rd ADA Improvements

Marion County will construct ADA improvements on Shaff Rd at the Fern, Evergreen and Douglas intersections in Stayton, Oregon.

Review of the existing barriers in accordance with the barrier removal prioritization matrix outlined in the ADA Transition Plan resulted in a high priority rating for this location. The County dedicates funding on an annual basis for barrier removal. In Fiscal Year 23/24 the County budgeted \$300,000 which will be used to fund this project.

Eleven (11) missing or substandard ADA curb ramps on Shaff Rd will be installed or reconstructed. In addition, approximately 380 feet of adjoining sidewalk sections and minor improvements to the stormwater conveyance system will be performed.

The estimated total project costs are **\$463,000** which includes design, engineering, Right-of-Way and construction, will come from the Marion County Road Fund.

Estimated cost associated with ADA improvements: **\$175,000**

This project is anticipated for construction in the Winter 2024 / Spring of 2025.

### IV. Connecticut Ave.: Macleay to Rickey Improvements

This project involves the completion of urban bicycle and ADA compliant pedestrian facilities along Connecticut Avenue SE between Macleay Road/Pennsylvania Avenue and Rickey Street/Macleay Road. There are bike lanes on both sides of the road in the south half of this segment. These will be extended to the north on both sides to complete this key connecting road. Sidewalks and ADA improvements will be constructed along the west side of the corridor and ADA compliant curb ramps will be added on the east side as required to improve accessibility and provide adequate facilities for navigating this area. The proposed project will also include improvements to the concrete refuge island in the north Macleay/Connecticut intersection. Twenty (20) missing or substandard ADA curb ramps and 1,270 lineal feet of new sidewalk will be constructed as part of this project.

The total project cost estimated includes engineering, right of way and construction. Federal Aid Surface Transportation funds along with County matching funds are being utilized to construct the upgrades.

The estimated total project cost is: **\$1,900,000**

Estimated cost associated with ADA improvements: **\$681,000**

This project is anticipated for construction in the Summer of 2025.

### 3. A summary of the total number of facilities inventoried and upgraded to ADA compliance.

#### Curb Ramps

The Marion County 2022 ADA Transition Plan for Accessibility in Public Rights-of Way reported 2,662 curb ramps inventoried as part of the 2018 self-assessment process. However, further review of the ADA Transition Plan GIS mapping and inventory database over the past year has discovered an additional 96 curb ramps that were not reported in the original report. This brings the total number of curb ramps inventoried as part of the 2018 self-assessment to 2,758.

Going forward, Marion County continues to supplement the 2018 inventory to include new and reconstructed curb ramps, pushbuttons and sidewalk installations performed as part of county capital projects or private land developments permitted through Land Development Engineering and Permits (LDEP).

The following tables provide a breakdown of the number and compliance status of the 2018 curb ramp inventory, reconstructed and new curb ramps, based on data exported October 10, 2024.

#### Definitions of Compliance Status

- **Pass** = Ramp is accessible and meets current design standards.
- **Functional** = Ramp is accessible but does not meet current design standards.
- **Not Functional** = Ramp may be difficult to access, and barriers are present which may prevent an easily accessible route.
- **Not Existing** = No curb ramp present, no accessible route.

#### Curb Ramp Compliance Status Table

Description	2018 Inventory	Current Inventory	Percent of Total
<b>Total Curb Ramps in Inventory</b>	<b>2,758</b>	<b>2,876</b>	
<b>Pass</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>8.8</b>
<b>Functional</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>20.4</b>
<b>Not Functional</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>30.3</b>
<b>Not Existing</b>	<b>1,233</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>40.5</b>

#### Reconstructed Curb Ramps

Description	Fiscal Year 22/23	Fiscal Year 23/24	Total
<b>Capital Projects</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>LDEP</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>

### New Curb Ramps

Description	Fiscal Year 22/23	Fiscal Year 23/24	Total
Capital Projects	33	23	56
LDEP	33	37	70

### Pushbutton Inventory

Pushbuttons inventoried in 2021 as part of the self-assessment do not have the Audible Pedestrian Signal (APS) tone warning signal. New and future pushbutton upgrades, as part of capital projects or LDEP permits, will be required to have the APS tone for all locations.

Description	2021	Fiscal Year 22/23	Fiscal Year 23/24
Total Inventory	119	131	139
Capital Projects		8	0
LDEP		4	8

### Sidewalks

As part of the 2018 self-assessment, sidewalks were identified and recorded in the ADA Transition Plan GIS mapping and inventory database: however, the total amount (lineal feet) have not been calculated. New and reconstructed sidewalk as part of capital projects or LDEP permits is now tracked in the ADA GIS inventory.

Lineal Feet of New or Reconstructed Sidewalk Installed	Fiscal Year 22/23	Fiscal Year 23/24
Capital Projects	8,477	2,306
LDEP	870	7,258

#### 4. Information on public outreach and any action resulting from the outreach.

Marion County Public Works customer service and contracting staff develop and disseminate project information to the public as well as gather input from the public throughout the project development and construction phases for all projects. In addition, project information is posted to the Marion County Public Works Engineering Projects page and the ADA Transition web page, including a public facing GIS mapping site which is maintained on a regular basis.

Public dissemination and outreach efforts include postings of official statements to the Marion County website, e-updates, informational signing at project locations, public open houses, and

distribution of letters to property owners fronting the project limits. The outreach is intended to share the initial design of the projects and provide the public an opportunity to comment on the needs of the projects. The County will also schedule periodic in-person meetings for the public to promote dialog and hear all concerns.

**5. Information documenting all barrier removal efforts accomplished in conjunction with Third Parties (such as utility companies).**

All private development or utility projects that trigger ADA improvements or new construction in the county Rights-of-Way are permitted and inspected by Land Development Engineering and Permits (LDEP). All work completed through LDEP permits is entered into the ADA Transition Plan GIS mapping and inventory database and are included in the summary tables above.

**6. A schedule of proposed barrier removal projects and planned funding projected for the coming year.**

Marion County has three (3) projects in the design and Right of Way phase with planned construction in Fiscal Year 26/27. All these projects will facilitate the removal of barriers for pedestrians in the Marion County public right of way.

Auburn Elementary Safe Routes to School - Marion County has received Safe Routes to School Program funding to construct a high visibility pedestrian crossing on Center Street between Tierra Drive and Citation Drive with enhanced safety measures including a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB), pedestrian refuge island, street lighting, high visibility signing, and pavement markings. Due to the location and nature of the improvements, this project will be constructed simultaneously with the Center St. – Lancaster to 45<sup>th</sup> Place Widening project described below.

The total project cost (including engineering and Right-of-Way) is estimated at \$200,000 and is funded by the Safe Routes to School Program with a required contribution by Marion County.

Center St. Lancaster Dr to 45th Place Widening - Marion County has been awarded a grant to construct north side sidewalks, bike lanes, and a continuous center turn lane from just west of Concord Street to ~150' east of Mitchell St. The project will include widening of the road along the North side only. Installation of bike lanes, continuous sidewalks, ADA ramps, upgraded stormwater facilities, an asphalt overlay, and enhanced pedestrian crossings (RRFBs) at Citation Drive and 45<sup>th</sup> place.

SKATS Grant Funding:	\$3,158,366
County Funding:	\$ 643,824
Estimated Total:	\$3,802,190

### 4106 State St. to 46<sup>th</sup> Ave. Improvements

Marion County has been awarded a grant to widen State St. on the south side only, installing a bike lane and continuous center turn lane, sidewalks, ADA ramps and an enhanced pedestrian crossing (RRFB). Stormwater facilities will be upgraded, and the entire roadway will get an asphalt overlay.

Estimated Total Cost including engineering and Right-of-Way: \$7,765,340

Federal Funds: \$6,967,840

County Funds: \$ 797,500