Disability Access Compliance

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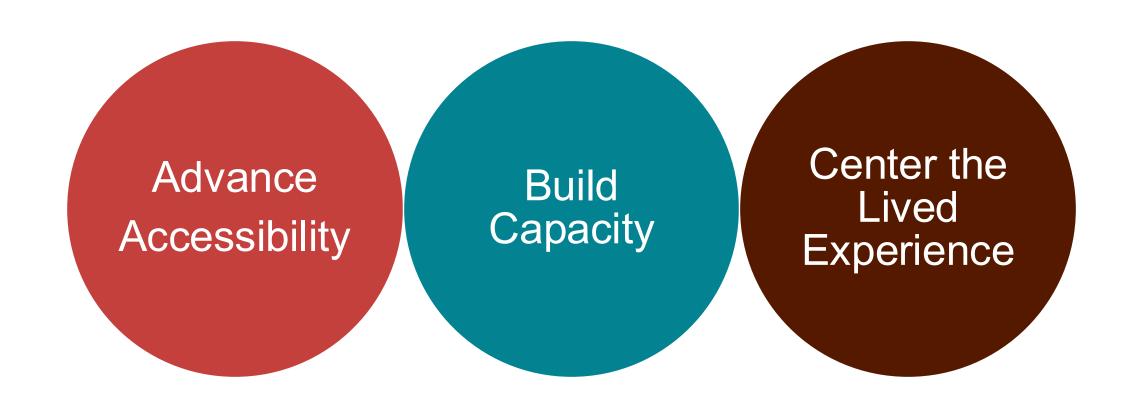
Purpose:

The Disability Access Office (DAO) works toward a universally designed environment that allows all people, regardless of disability, to participate fully in community life.



Goals of Universal Design - University of Buffalo Idea Center

Core Services



Operations Physical Infrastructure

Work with all City Departments to help ensure facilities, sidewalks, trails, playgrounds, and housing meet and exceed Federal, State, and local compliance laws and standards

- Complaint reviews
- Transition Plan updates and monitoring
- Design plan reviews
- Site assessments
- Project consultations
- Sidewalk requests
- Universal Design recommendations



Photo by the Disability Access Office

Operations Program Access

Work with all City Departments to help ensure programs, services, and activities meet and exceed Federal and State compliance laws and standards

- Complaint reviews
- Transition Plan updates and monitoring (policies and processes)
- Unified Development Code (UDC) Amendments
- Staff and contractor training
- Digital accessibility (WCAG 2.1 AA/508)
- Plain language
- Disability community engagement
- Providing ASL interpreters and alternate formats

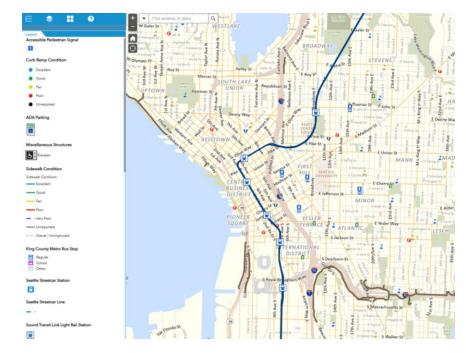


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Partnership



Sidewalk Network



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Goal

Enhance the connectivity of the sidewalk network by building new segments where gaps exist and restoring deteriorated areas to usability.

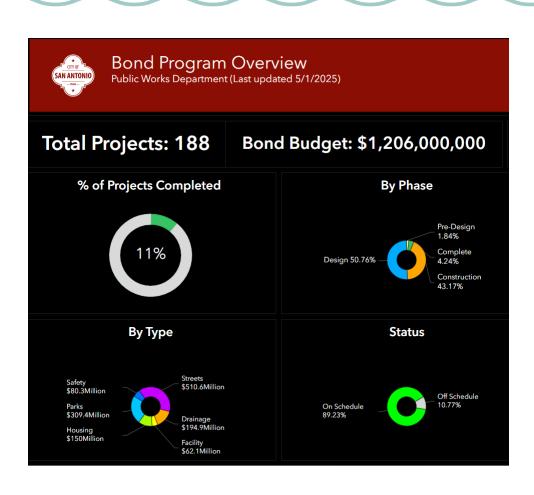
Sidewalk Programs

Public Works Department

- 2022 BOND program
- 5-Yr. Infrastructure Management Program (IMP)
- Neighborhood Access & Mobility Program (NAMP)



Project Information



- IMP Program
- Bond Program
- Project Dashboards

Sidewalk Requests



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Contact

- 3-1-1
 - App, online or by phone
- Disability Access Office
- Public Works Department
- City Council Member
- Disability Access Advisory Committee (DAAC)

THANK YOU!

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