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### **Public Input Needed for the Missoula Pedestrian Facilities Master Plan**

The Missoula Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is developing a comprehensive Pedestrian Facilities Master Plan and is seeking input from the community to establish priorities for improving Missoula's pedestrian network.

Community input is essential to the planning process and can be provided at the next public meeting and open house on Wed., Feb. 21 at Missoula Food Bank.

The plan will identify current pedestrian facility gaps and issues, explore options for how to prioritize facility improvements, and evaluate strategies to make those improvements happen. The plan will also address ADA accessibility and how sidewalks connect (or do not connect) to trails and transit.

Pedestrian facilities include sidewalks, trails, lighting, street crossings, and curb ramps, among others. These facilities contribute to a safe, connected, and accessible network for community members that wish to travel around Missoula without a vehicle.

A lack of adequate facilities impacts all Missoulians, including children and teens, older adults, people with disabilities, and even those walking to and from their parked car.

To participate, attend the meeting and open house, or add comments about pedestrian barriers and challenges to the virtual map by visiting [www.activatemissoula.com/participate/](http://www.activatemissoula.com/participate/)

**Pedestrian Facilities Master Plan: Meeting and Open House**  
**Wed., Feb. 21**  
**Missoula Food Bank, 1720 Wyoming St.**  
**5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**  
**Sign-in begins at 5:15 p.m., presentation begins at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Coffee and light snacks will be provided**

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For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Jessica Morriss.