

# Pearson Street Streetscape, State Street to Little Michigan Avenue



## Project Overview

Beginning spring 2015, Pearson Street between State Street and Little Michigan Avenue will be improved as the City renovates the streets with infrastructure upgrades and streetscape elements. These enhancements are part of a comprehensive streetscaping project designed by the City of Chicago Department of Transportation in close cooperation with community representatives and your alderman.

The improvements will consist of numerous infrastructure and aesthetic elements, including decorative lighting, stamped crosswalks, and new ADA sidewalk ramps.

## Traffic Impacts

Throughout construction, Pearson Street will remain open to motorists and pedestrians and access to businesses and residences will be maintained. In order to provide a safe construction zone, traffic will be reduced to one lane, and parking will not be allowed in the area of active construction. In addition, there will be periodic parking restrictions on some side streets.

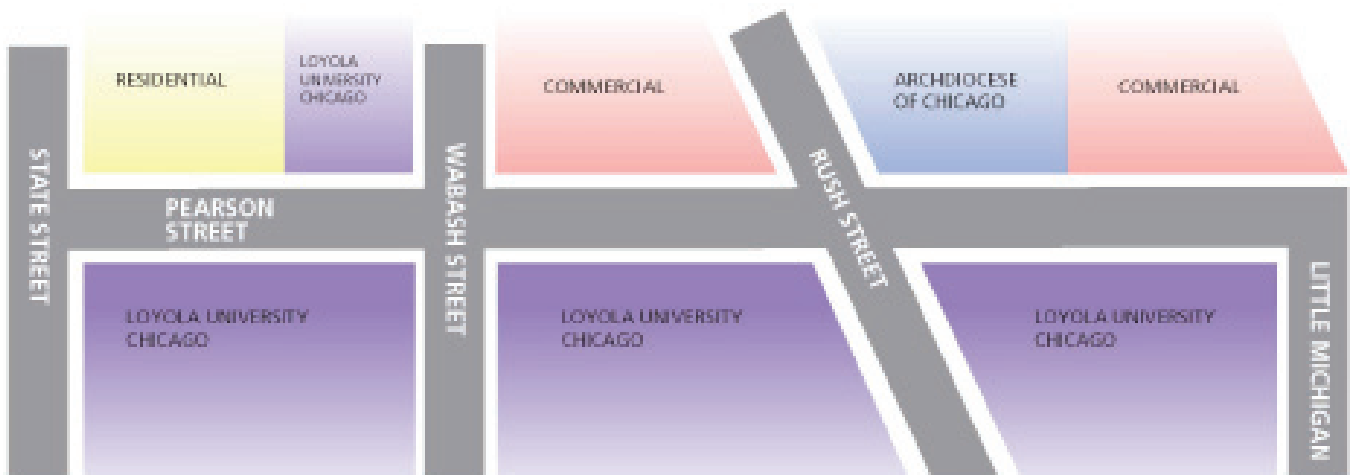
The CTA routes will not be affected. For more information, please call the CTA information hotline at: (all Chicagoland area codes) 836-7000.

## Project Highlights

- New sidewalk ADA ramps
- Decorative Stamped crosswalks
- New decorative street and pedestrian lighting with energy efficient, LED "white" light
- Full width roadway resurfacing to improve drainage

**The project is scheduled for substantial completion in late Fall 2015.**

For additional information, please call the Department of Transportation at (312) 744-5900, email [cdotnews@cityofchicago.org](mailto:cdotnews@cityofchicago.org), or visit [www.cityofchicago.org/transportation](http://www.cityofchicago.org/transportation).



# COMPLETE STREETS

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The City of Chicago is committed to building Complete Streets to ensure that everyone – pedestrians, transit users, bicyclists and motorists – can travel safely and comfortably along and across a street. Complete Streets give Chicagoans of all ages and abilities safer, cheaper, and healthier travel options. They support economic development and can incorporate environmental services and placemaking, which helps to create sustainable infrastructure and communities. The Chicago Department of Transportation is working to bring these benefits to your community.



## IMPROVE SAFETY

Complete Streets are better suited for people walking, biking, taking public transit, and driving. Streets are designed to encourage motorists to drive at the posted speed limit, which helps reduce crashes and their severity.

## LOWER TRANSPORTATION COSTS

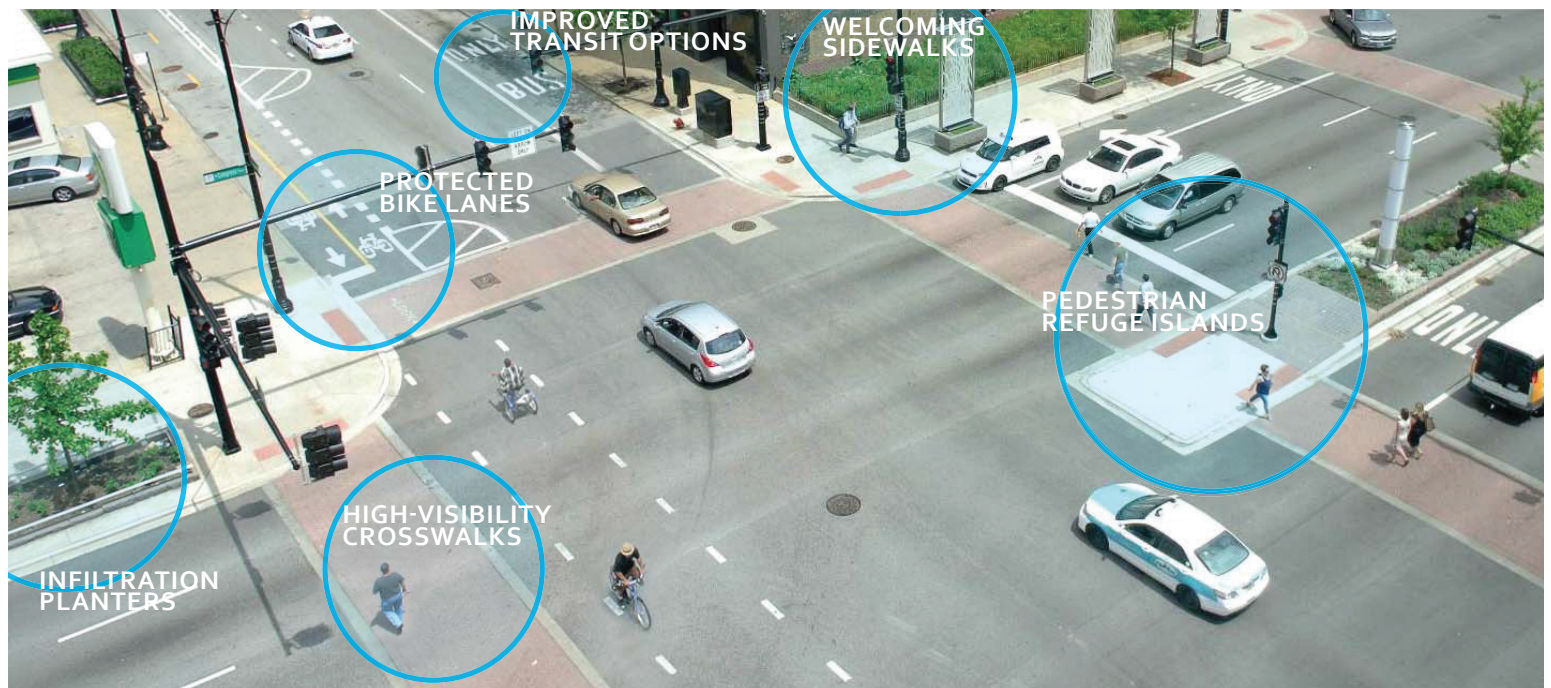
Americans spend on average 18 cents of every dollar on transportation, with the poorest 20% of families spending more than twice that amount. When residents have the opportunity to walk, bike or take transit, they have more control over their expenses by replacing car trips with these inexpensive options.

## IMPROVE HEALTH

By designing Complete Streets, more residents will have active transportation options such as walking, bicycling, or using public transit. Incorporating trees and landscape improvements helps clean the air, capture stormwater, and keep the city cool. Complete Streets encourage healthier lifestyles and improve quality of life.

## BUILD STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Complete Streets play an important role in livable communities where all people regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation, feel safe and welcome on the streets. A safe walking and bicycling environment with places for people to gather are an essential part of creating friendly, walkable communities.



Chicago's Complete Streets guidelines and policy are outlined in the *Complete Streets Chicago: Design Guidelines*.

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