

# News Release

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## **'Move Durham' Transportation Study Underway for Central Durham** *Project Website Launched to Collect User Surveys and Input Map*

DURHAM, N.C. – If you live or travel in and around downtown and the central area of the Bull City, the City of Durham Transportation Department wants to hear from you.

The department is launching their new transportation study, [Move Durham](#), to develop a clear vision for the future of transportation and mobility in the central area of Durham.

[Move Durham](#) is a nine-month multimodal transportation planning process that will involve public outreach and data gathering to improve the department's understanding of how people move to and through the central area of the community. The project will examine current conditions, develop future projections, and work with the community to create recommendations that consider all modes of travel including biking, walking, public transit, shared/new mobility, and personal automobiles.

Public input is critical and the department has developed several ways for residents to give share their thoughts and suggestions in this initial phase of the plan. Public meetings will also be scheduled in early 2019 and posted to the project website.

- **Share thoughts:** Send an email to [movedurham@altaplanning.com](mailto:movedurham@altaplanning.com) to share ideas, questions or suggestions for public outreach events. Ideas can also be shared by tweeting [@movesafedurham](#) and using the hashtag #MoveDurham.
- **Take the online survey:** Help staff understand how people currently move around downtown and ideas on the future of transportation mobility at <https://www.movedurham.org>. The website and survey are also available in Spanish.
- **Map ideas online:** Add a point to the map at <https://www.movedurham.org> to share an idea or identify an area that needs to be fixed.
- **Speak with the project team:** The project team will be attending community events and soliciting feedback in person at various locations near central Durham in the coming months.
- **Invite the project team to come to you:** The project team will attend your community or neighborhood meeting. Send an email to [movedurham@altaplanning.com](mailto:movedurham@altaplanning.com) to invite the team.
- **Stay connected:** Staff will be hosting a series of community meetings and outreach opportunities in the coming months which will be posted to <https://www.movedurham.org>.

This study is jointly funded by the City of Durham, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), and the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO). For additional information, visit the [project website](#) or contact Senior Transportation Planner Ellen Beckmann with the City's Transportation Department at (919) 560-4366 ext. 36412 or [Ellen.Beckmann@DurhamNC.gov](mailto:Ellen.Beckmann@DurhamNC.gov).

### **About the City of Durham Transportation Department**

The [Transportation Department](#) is responsible for a broad range of transportation services, which include traffic signs and signals, transportation planning, [parking operations](#), street lighting, taxicab administration, and bicycle and pedestrian planning. The department also oversees [GoDurham](#) and [GoDurham ACCESS](#) as well as leads

planning functions for the [Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization](#) (DCHC MPO), which is the regional organization that is responsible for planning and programming state and federal transportation projects in the urbanized areas of Durham, Orange, and Chatham counties. Guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), the department helps to strengthen the foundation, enhance the value, and improve the quality and sustainability of neighborhoods that are necessary for a strong and diverse community. For more information, follow the department on [Twitter](#).

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