

Go!

Glendale onboard!



Community Open House Dates

Thursday, November 14

6:00 – 8:00 PM
 Highland Lakes
 Elementary Cafeteria
 19000 N. 63rd Ave.

Wednesday, November 20

6:00 – 8:00 PM
 Luke Elementary School
 Activities Room
 7300 N. Dysart Rd.

Thursday, November 21

6:00 – 8:00 PM
 Glendale High School Cafeteria
 6216 W. Glendale



Transportation Program Is Underway!

In November 2001, Glendale residents overwhelmingly approved the Glendale Onboard Transportation Program to improve the safety and traffic flow within the City. More than \$1 billion will be raised to fund all modes of transportation by 2025. These funds are broken down into the following categories: 65% for transit, 31% for street improvements and 4% for pedestrian and bicycle improvements.

Your tax dollars have been put to good use already. Expanded bus service started in August, and includes evening and weekend service. Dial-A-Ride services have also expanded, and more bus shelters will be appearing around the City within the next few months.

The first annual Go Glendale Family Bicycle Ride was April 14, 2002. More than 400 people ran, rode or skated successfully along one of two routes. Planning is currently underway for the 2003 Family Bicycle Ride.

Several educational programs also have been implemented. One of the first campaigns was Slow Down Friday to



help children become aware of traffic safety issues. The “Cool Bus” Stuff Program is underway to help children understand how to use buses to get around.

Another important element of the Go Program was the creation of the Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission (CTOC). CTOC is designed to oversee the completion of all the projects described in the Go Program and that they are completed in a timely and cost-effective manner. CTOC also provides a forum for public input and for monitoring the City’s use of the transportation funds to pay for the projects and services approved by the voters. The Commission meetings are open to the public, and meet the first Thursday of every month at Glendale City Hall, Room B3 at 7:00 PM.

Your Tax Dollars At Work

There are over 50 different projects involved in the Glendale Onboard Transportation Program. The majority consists of street and intersection improvements. The type of improvements described in the Go Program can be anything from new right turn lanes to raised medians at intersections. There

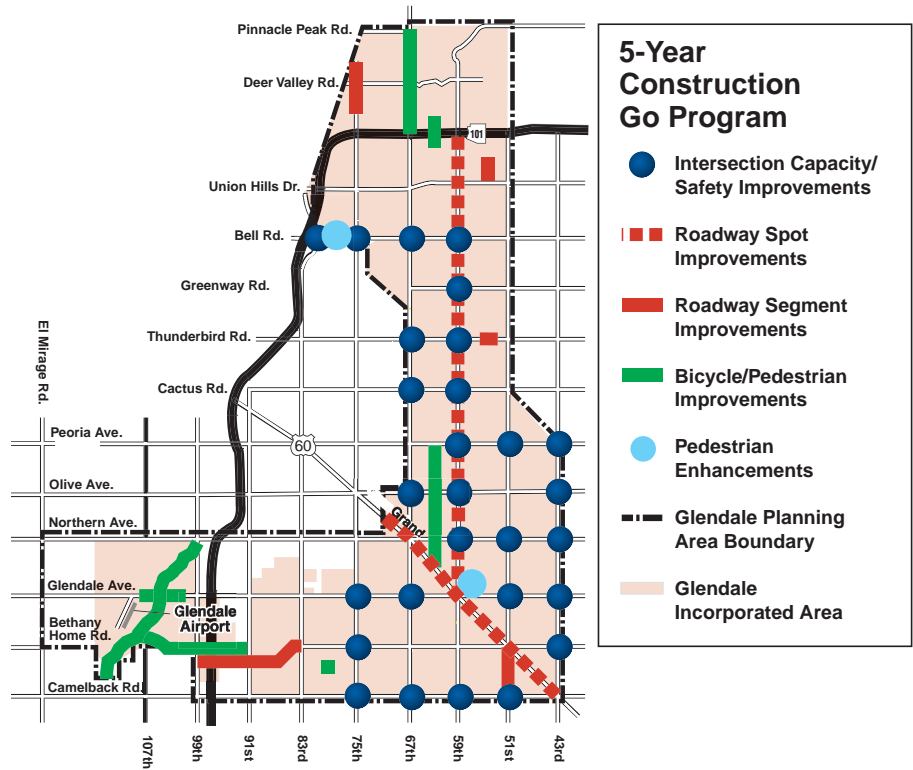
are also improvements planned for safer and extended bike lanes, and more pedestrian friendly environments in the Arrowhead and downtown areas.

The City of Glendale has hired a consultant, **URS Corporation**, to develop preliminary engineering concepts for capital

projects to be completed in the next five years. (See map on back) In addition, recommendations will be provided in connection with the prioritization and scheduling of projects. The recommendations will be based on a series of factors including:

- ✓ Right-of-way constraints
- ✓ Potential utility conflicts
- ✓ Benefits to traffic flow
- ✓ Safety benefits
- ✓ Benefits to all modes of transportation (e.g. bus, car, bicycle and pedestrians)
- ✓ Coordination with other projects scheduled in the area
- ✓ Coordination with other jurisdictions (e.g. ADOT, City of Phoenix and Peoria)
- ✓ Public input

Improvements will include bus bays at major intersections, turn lanes, median islands, street widening, sidewalks, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, landscaping and other related improvements. In addition, long-range planning studies are underway for Northern Avenue to become a "super street," connecting central Glendale to Loop 303.



How To Get Involved

There are several opportunities to participate in the planning process and throughout the course of the project. General information about the Go Program will be available at three Open House meetings scheduled in November (see other

side). Residents of Glendale can provide feedback and ask questions to City and project staff.

A telephone information line has been established at 602-648-2417. You are welcome to leave your question about any part of the Go Program, or be added

to our mailing list. Your call will be responded to within one working day.

A project web page has also been established to provide information about the Go Program at www.glendaleaz.com

Just follow the  links!



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