



GETTING AROUND (TRANSPORTATION)

What would make Red Wing a better place to live?

505

responses across all 2017 engagement efforts and surveys mentioned improvements to transportation in Red Wing that would make it a better place to live. The top suggestions are shown to the right.



Better Infrastructure Upkeep

83% of residents surveyed think pavement repair in Red Wing is either excellent or good, and 89% feel that way about snowplowing. Those rank as very high rates of satisfaction compared with other local communities. However, 123 participants say the City could do a better job keeping up with road repairs and snowplowing, according to the summer engagement events and Community Survey.



Improvements to Public Transit

Nearly 100 people surveyed want access to more public transportation options in Red Wing. Many respondents believe the bus system would benefit from better scheduling and more frequent service. Other residents desire commuter train or bus service to Rochester and the Twin Cities. Ride share services like Uber were mentioned five times.



Bike and Pedestrian Infrastructure

Eighty-nine respondents said they wanted a more connected bike and pedestrian network in Red Wing. Many comments indicated a desire for continuous trails along the Mississippi River, especially between the parks. People also want a walkable and bikeable downtown, safe access to the high school across Hwy 58, and maintained sidewalks in neighborhoods.

What do folks like most about living in Red Wing?

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Location/
Proximity to
Metro Areas



Improvements to Traffic Flow and Parking

Parking and traffic downtown were cited as issues by many of the residents surveyed. Sixty-six people mentioned having trouble finding parking downtown and on Old West Main Street. People also noted some traffic congestion and wishing that traffic flowed better.

62

Walkable
Community



Less Construction

With Highway 61 recently under construction and a new bridge project underway, it's understandable that 47 people mentioned being tired of construction in Red Wing.

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Ease of
Access/ Little
Congestion



Driver's Licenses for Undocumented Residents

The 2015 study of Red Wing's Latino population found many residents are unable to acquire a driver's license. With limited transit options and barriers to year-round non-motorized transportation, not having a driver's license limits opportunities for immigrants to thrive. Thirty-six survey respondents said resolving this issue would greatly improve life for them.

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Recreational
Biking & Hiking
Trails

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Amtrak/Public
Transit

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Infrastructure &
Upkeep

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BUS RIDERSHIP

Busing is a crucial service for some residents to get to daily destinations like work, daycare, and the grocery store.

Bus ridership has been on the rise for more than a decade:



7.4% of households in Red Wing are without a vehicle.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey