

# Changes coming to MLK Jr Way S

Our project was guided by Seattle's Vision Zero plan to prevent serious collisions by designing safer streets. This project will help manage driver speeds and encourage more walking and biking. When construction is complete, you will notice the following changes to the street:

## This project will:

- Redesign the road to create more predictable vehicle movements. There will now be one lane in each direction with a center turn lane. The travel lanes will continue to accommodate freight and transit movements.
- Install concrete-protected bike lanes on both sides of MLK Jr Way S and add new bike detection signals at intersections.
- Repaint the road to improve visibility and safety conditions for pedestrians, vehicles, and bicycles.
- Repair or widen sidewalks and add or widen crosswalks to better separate pedestrians from traffic.
- Add or upgrade pedestrian walk signals and bike detection signals to make people walking and biking more visible to drivers.
- Upgrade 30 curb ramps to improve accessibility according to the most current ADA recommendations
- Revise parking while maintaining access to local businesses.

## Project timeline

Work will start as soon as September 28, 2023 and continue through 2024.

## MLK Jr Way S Safety Project

We are updating the street design on MLK Jr Way S to reduce driving lanes, build new protected bike lanes, slow down people driving, widen sidewalks, and add new ADA-compliant curb ramps. These changes will improve safety and access to transit and local destinations for people walking, rolling, biking, and driving between Mount Baker Station and the future Judkins Park Station. Learn about our final design plans inside!

## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Typical work hours are Monday – Friday, from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
- Temporary traffic revisions, to accommodate construction vehicles
- Temporary parking restrictions
- Noisy work activities, such as backup alarms for safety, heavy vehicle use, and the use of power tools

Check out the final design plans, learn about upcoming construction, and sign up to receive email updates on our project website!

<https://bit.ly/MLKSafetyUpdates>



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