NSMP Program Goals

The NSMP helps to achieve the City of Boulder's **Transportation Master Plan** and **Vision Zero** goals, which prioritize continuous improvements in safety and comfort for all modes of travel with the ultimate goal of zero serious injury and fatal crashes.

The NSMP addresses this goal by reducing speeding on neighborhood streets, which can help reduce the frequency and severity of crashes.



Reducing speeding traffic can help people feel more comfortable walking and biking, which leads to an increase in walking and biking trips and supports the city's overall **Climate Action Plan** goals.

The NSMP is one way the city is working to improve the **quality of life** in Boulder and improve the city's transportation system for everyone.

See the 10 current project locations on the 2018 NSMP project map at: *bit.ly/2018NSMPMap*

Application Process

All applications will receive education and enforcement tools like yard signs, speed trailers, and the opportunity to loan a radar gun. Those requesting engineering treatments (such as speed humps and traffic circles) must include a neighborhood petition with signatures from 20 neighbors or 30 percent of households on the same block, whichever is less.

Only residential and collector streets are eligible for Program participation. To determine if your street is eligible, please visit the NSMP webpage. City staff accepts NSMP applications year-round and evaluates them on an annual basis. The next deadline for applications to be evaluated in 2019 is **May 31, 2019**.

To learn more about the NSMP, please visit the program webpage at: www.bouldercolorado.gov/transportation/nsmp









What We Do

The focus of the Neighborhood Speed Management Program (NSMP) is to reduce speeding traffic on neighborhood streets. This can improve safety and the quality of life in Boulder's neighborhoods.

The NSMP has four components:



Education Enforcement Engineering Evaluation

The NSMP is a *resident-initiated process* with neighbors applying to the city to enter the program.

City staff works with several neighborhoods each year to identify the best speed management strategy for each location. For some neighborhoods, **education** and **enforcement** are effective tools to address speeding. Some neighborhoods also need **traffic calming**, which is an active attempt to control vehicle speeds by introducing engineering devices on streets to slow speeding traffic.

All NSMP applicants will receive enforcement and education tools, even if they do not qualify for engineering.



Simple vs. Complex Projects

Applications (with petitions) requesting engineering treatments will be categorized as "simple" or "complex."

Simple projects are those that are expected to have a localized impact on reducing speeds, address speeding issues on a short segment of a non-critical emergency response route (CERR) and have little effect on traffic diversion.

They are also anticipated to cost less than or around \$15,000.

At this time the traffic calming devices used for simple projects are speed humps. The city is evaluating other devices that can be used in future simple projects.

Complex projects may include impacts to neighboring streets or other travel modes, be located on a designated critical emergency response route and cost more than \$15,000.

These projects **take longer to be implemented**, require more intensive coordination and include engineering treatments like traffic circles and raised crossings.

