

## PROJECT VISION AND GOALS

### **Vision Statement**

The DeKalb County Transportation Plan is intended to improve mobility for all people, enhance quality of life, facilitate economic vitality, and focus on implementation:

### **Goal 1: Improve mobility for all people**

- Improve connectivity across multiple modes including vehicular, transit, bicycle, pedestrian, and air
- Promote equity of all people independent of age, race, ethnicity, economic status, and physical ability
- Explore the use of innovation and technology to be used when appropriate
- Create and implement context sensitive design standards.

### **Goal 2: Enhance quality of life**

- Improve the safety of all users of the system for all modes of travel
- Maintain the cleanliness and good repair of transportation infrastructure
- Prioritize transportation projects that enable active healthy communities
- Use transportation infrastructure to help create attractive communities
- Prioritize environmentally sustainable projects using a sensible, balanced approach
- New projects should respect the character and plans of cities, neighborhoods, and adjacent communities.

### **Goal 3: Improve economic vitality**

- Improve access to jobs of both residents and employers in DeKalb County
- Improve access to education of all students within the County
- Provide for the efficient movement of goods on both rail and truck
- Maintain and enhance real estate values across the County
- Allow for balanced and equitable growth
- Strengthen the connection between transportation and land use

### **Goal 4: Focus on implementation**

- Adequately fund and maintain the existing transportation system
- Select new projects that are able to be efficiently maintained
- Prioritize projects into multiple tiers recognizing the limited funding currently available and prepare for possible additional sources
- Identify new sources of funding to grow local transportation dollars
- Support a renewed trust in elected leaders and public confidence in the process through transparency, open communication, and collaboration across agencies
- Encourage strong community engagement in the planning process and in the future growth and development of the County