

# Executive Summary



# Project Overview

The purpose of the Pecos Corridor Study is to develop a community-informed vision and implementation plan for addressing safety concerns and enhancing access for all roadway users. This study was led by the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) as part of its Community Based Transportation Planning program in coordination with Adams County.

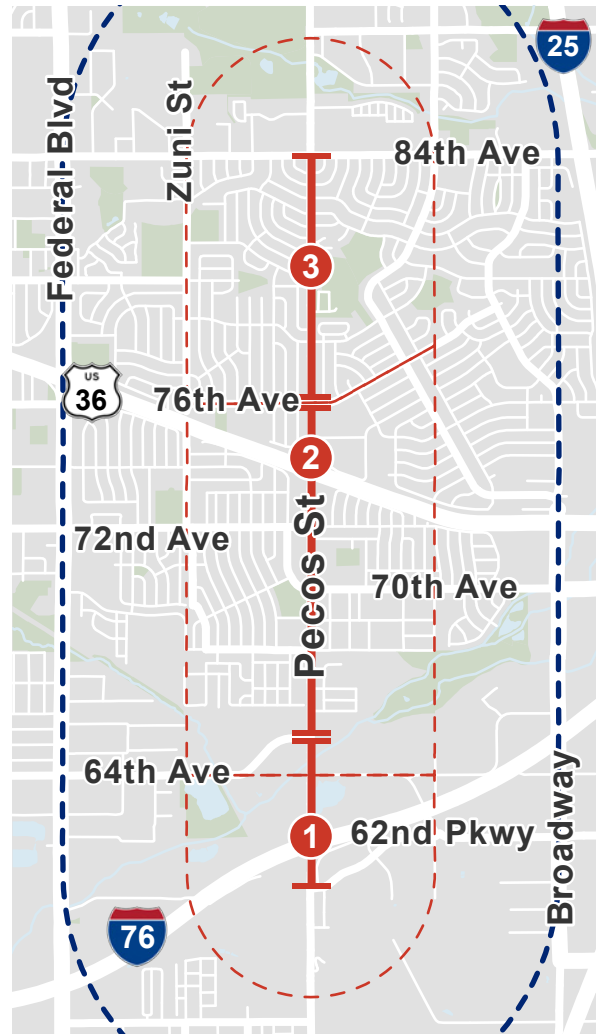
## Study Area

The study evaluates Pecos Street between West 62nd Parkway and West 84th Avenue - a critical link for residential neighborhoods, commercial retail, schools, industrial, and regional transportation. The corridor was divided into three character areas based on sense of place and current land use.

## Study Timeline

The study took place from April 2025 to March 2026 and was organized into three key milestones: corridor conditions, street design development and evaluation, and the visionary street design.

### Pecos Corridor Study Area



### Project Timeline

- ★ **Project Kickoff**  
April 2025
- ★ **Getting to know the corridor**  
April - June 2025
- ★ **Identifying and evaluating alternatives**  
July - October 2025
- ★ **Alternative recommendation and implementation plan**  
November 2025 - February 2026
- ★ **Final plan complete**  
March 2026

# Our Vision for the Future

The vision for Pecos Street was developed collaboratively with project partners and the community. It builds on the needs and mobility recommendations identified in prior local and regional plans, while incorporating key themes from the first community engagement milestone. These insights helped shape both the language of the vision and the goals used to evaluate street design options.

## Vision Statement:

**Pecos Street fosters a vibrant community by connecting people safely and seamlessly to homes, schools, services, jobs, and open space and trails – whether walking, biking, rolling, or driving.**

### Goals:



#### Safety

Reduce crash risk for all roadway users and eliminate serious and fatal crashes.



#### Mobility

Ensure the smooth and coordinated movement of people and goods.



#### Connected

Provide seamless connectivity between neighborhoods, community destinations, and employment centers.



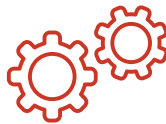
#### Integrated

Support the community by creating people-centered spaces for those who live, work, and travel along the corridor.



#### Economic Vitality

Support economic growth and opportunity through infrastructure investment while strengthening and supporting local businesses.



#### Stewardship

Maintain transportation infrastructure through proactive maintenance.



#### Consistent

Align corridor projects with the county's established vision, goals, and policies and community needs.

## Current Conditions

Pecos Street is a key north–south corridor serving regional traffic, freight, transit, and access to surrounding neighborhoods. Daily traffic volumes in 2023 and 2025 ranged from 16,500 to 25,500 vehicles, with speeds frequently exceeding the posted limit. The corridor plays an important freight role in the southern segment, while truck activity decreases to the north.

Safety is a primary concern. Pecos Street is part of DRCOG’s Regional High Injury Network and experienced 771 crashes between 2019 and 2023, resulting in 204 injuries, 32 serious injuries, and two fatalities, with the highest concentration of severe crashes near US 36. Transit service is provided by bus routes 19 and 72 and commuter rail lines B and G at Pecos Junction, though bus stop amenities are generally limited. There are limited active transportation facilities, with no dedicated bicycle infrastructure and narrow sidewalks in many locations.

While the roadway has sufficient capacity to accommodate traffic, high speeds, safety challenges, freight operations, and limited multimodal facilities highlight the need and opportunity to reconfigure Pecos Street within its existing footprint to better serve all users.



# Community Voices

The study team employed a variety of strategies to inclusively and effectively gather feedback and encourage participation throughout the study. The engagement approach centered on collaboration, accessibility, and fairness to ensure that all voices - especially those historically underrepresented and most vulnerable - were included in the decision-making process.

To do this, the team was flexible and adapted strategies based on what worked best for the communities we were trying to reach. Tactics included attending existing community meetings and events, providing translation and interpretation services, partnering with community leaders, simplifying engagement tools, and providing compensation.

## Process

Over the course of 12 months, the study included 3 engagement periods that coincided with important study milestones. The community helped the study team identify specific issues and needs they experience on the corridor, evaluate the mobility improvement options, and refine the draft street design concept.

## Community Engagement at a Glance

The major cornerstones of the study's engagement efforts are summarized below.



### Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

The CAC was comprised of community members and leaders that provided guidance at each engagement milestone.

3

**Meetings** where members engaged in lively discussions around the study materials.

18

**People** actively participated in the CAC.



### Listening Sessions

During the first two milestones, the team met with community groups to learn about their concerns and needs for Pecos Street.

16

**Sessions** where people shared their lived experiences traveling along Pecos Street and their vision for the future.



### Community Questionnaires

At each milestone, the community was asked to provide specific feedback that helped guide the project team.

742

**Total submissions** to the online and in person surveys throughout the course of the study.



### Community Events

336

**People** who spoke to our project team at community events and listening sessions.

# Visionary Pecos Street Design

The visionary design illustrates how Pecos Street could function and feel in the future by presenting a preferred direction rather than a final or fully engineered solution. It assumes that improvements would be implemented gradually as funding and opportunities become available and acknowledges that additional technical study, coordination, and design refinement will be required. The design will also continue to be shaped through ongoing community and stakeholder engagement prior to implementation.

-  Major Intersection Improvement
-  Minor Intersection Improvement
-  Raised Concrete Median
-  Pedestrian Crossing Improvement
-  Pedestrian Bridge
-  Wide Sidewalk
-  Sidewalk Level Bike Lane
-  On-Street Protected Bike Lane
-  Raised Bi-directional Bike Lane
-  On-Street Parking
-  School Zone
-  New and/or Upgraded Bus Stop
-  Existing Bus Stop
-  School
-  Library
-  Fire Station



## Proposed Pecos Street Improvements

