



Summit Agenda at a Glance

Monday, September 27

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Keynote Session: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Keynote Part 2: Envisioning an Equitable Process
Afternoon Session: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Progress Towards the Safe System

Our sessions are divided into three tracks: **advocacy, bridge, and technical**. Advocacy (morning) sessions provide skills, best practices, and lived experiences from a grassroots perspective. Bridge sessions (lunch) highlight the areas in which infrastructure projects, advocacy, and engineering overlap. Technical panels (afternoon) focus on the engineering, infrastructure, and planning that go into creating healthy safe communities for people biking, walking, and rolling. All attendees' voices, backgrounds, and experiences are welcomed at each session.



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Detailed program

Conference Day 1: Monday, September 27

Session 1A: 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Building Community Through Open Streets

Kelli Refer (Move Redmond), Bill Bender (Spokane Summer Parkways)

This session shares lessons and takeaways from Open Streets events around the state, providing recommendations, lessons learned, and key tools for municipalities and organizations interested in hosting their own Open Streets event. As we work to build more connected communities in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, attendees will learn how Open Streets can contribute to that connectivity.

Session 1B: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Keynote Session with Alex Haagaard and Liz Jackson

The stories we tell about design inform the assumptions we make in practice. One such story centers our infrastructure and the information it's built on. Join Alex and Liz to discuss their pragmatic approach to creating designs that include perspectives that have been historically undervalued, underpaid, and under-utilized.

This design process begins by asking designers to analyze their intentions. It is through this mindset that we will interrogate the groundwork, outreach, and research required to accurately scope a project. Attendees will be encouraged to engage collaboratively with Alex and Liz throughout the duration of the summit, conducting an audit of a design plan. Designing through self reflection helps us understand the misguided nature of centering the human, and instead attunes us to ways in which we can most effectively de-center the designer.

Session 1C: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Investigating Mobility Justice and Safety

Portia Shields (Yakama Nation), Harold Taniguchi (Former King County Roads), Dongho Chang (Washington State Department of Transportation), Anna Zivarts (Disability Rights WA), David Jones (Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council), Will Hitchcock (Washington State Department Of Health), Barb Chamberlain (Washington State Department Of Transportation)

Join leadership from the Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council in a conversation envisioning a more just and safe system for all. Attendees will engage in discussion around how we build this system, what barriers stand in our way, and how we mitigate them to make mobility justice a reality.

Conference Day 2: Tuesday, September 28

Session 2A: 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Equity and the Future of our Urban Rail Transit Systems

Sol Dressa (Move Redmond), Dr Brian Cole (UCLA), Elizabeth Guevara (Sound Transit),

By 2024, more than 20 new light rail stations are coming online in the Puget Sound Region, and Spokane and Vancouver will have launched new Bus Rapid Transit lines. With these new changes happening across the region, many stakeholders -- including community leaders, workers, equity advocates, and planners -- ask who will benefit? Will the advantages of living along light rail be shared by households of different incomes and by people of all races and ethnicities? Join to discuss how we rethink urban rail transit systems and how growth will affect communities in the short and long term.

Session 2B: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Lessons from Complete Streets Quick Build Projects

Rayla Bellis (Smart Growth America), Brooklyn Holton (Wenatchee cohort), Nova Heaton (City of Arlington), Heather Trautman (City of Airway Heights)

Representatives from three Washington cities share experiences from creating Complete Streets programs, where they planned and installed temporary, low-cost demonstration projects. Hear lessons learned, achievements through the project process, and advice for other communities looking to build safer and more inviting spaces for people biking, walking, and rolling.

Session 2C: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Transportation Master Plans Around the State: Building Bike, Walk, and Transit Friendly Cities

Panel: Michelle Swanson AICP (City of Olympia), Chris Comeau AICP-CTP (City of Bellingham), Colin Quinn-Hurst (City of Spokane) Inga Note (City of Spokane)

Join representatives from small to mid-sized cities around the state to discuss how we can define the future of transportation through city-level transportation master plans. Hear about lessons learned, common tactics, and recommendations on how to build equity into these plans and programs.

Conference Day 3: Wednesday, September 29

Session 3A: 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Storytelling for Agility and Resilience

Melissa Balmer (Pedal Love), Tamar Shuhendler (Cascade Bicycle Club)

This session is a hands-on workshop on crafting compelling, effective, memorable



stories by learning to map stories to a simplified “Hero’s Journey” story arc. Participants will learn to craft their own 2-3 minute story they can use right away for their own advocacy needs, and teach others to do the same.

Session 3B: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Keynote Session with Dara Baldwin

This keynote session addresses the cross section of disability rights, racial justice, and political action within active transportation. Join Dara to break down how safety, equity, and accessibility show up (or don’t) in our systems, and what we can be doing to build communities that work for everyone.

Session 3C: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Reimagining the Safe Routes to School Program

Charlotte Claybrooke (Washington State Department Of Transportation), Cailin Henley (Alta Planning), Carrie Wilhelme (City of Tacoma) Stephen Rowley (Cascade Bicycle Club)

Experts from the Safe Routes to School program provide an overview of the current statewide landscape, latest changes, and emerging opportunities. Using interactive Miro boards, discussions, and polling, attendees will participate in a conversation on how to enhance and build greater considerations for equity into the program today and into the future.

Session 3D: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Networking Event/Happy Hour

Grab a drink or a snack and join your fellow attendees for an hour of conversation and connection!

Conference Day 4: Thursday, September 30

Session 4A: 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Organizing Bicyclists for Climate Change

Eric Fine (Yale Program of Climate Change Communication), Protect Our Winters, Paulo Nunes Ueno (Front and Centered)

Join a panel of academics and nonprofit activists working on the front lines of climate action to discuss best practices in climate communications and effective organizing tools from. This group of experts will highlight important information around rallying large constituencies of grassroots climate activists, information on the latest social science on Americans’ attitudes about climate, and legislative strategies designed to transform Washington’s transportation budget to prioritize low-carbon mobility and climate justice.

Session 4B: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Investigating Enforcement in Active Transportation

Dara Baldwin (Center for Disability Rights), Allison Schwartz (Seattle Department Of Transportation), Hester Serebrin (Transportation Choices Coalition), Alex Alston (Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council)

As we work to build new practices and tools to keep people safe on our roads, the ethics and efficacy of enforcement must be a part of this conversation. Join experts in transportation and enforcement to discuss their experiences with alternatives to traditional law enforcement in active transportation and share ideas for how we build safer, more equitable systems, especially for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities.

Session 4C: 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Speed and Safety: Speed Limit Setting and Speed Management

Charlotte Claybrooke (Washington State Department Of Transportation), Josh Diekmann (City of Tacoma), Deanna Brewer (Washington State Department of Transportation),

Transportation experts from around the state discuss new guidance and recommendations for setting speed limits. There are policies, practices, and infrastructure improvements that can be used to lower driver speeds in order to keep people biking, walking, and rolling safe. The panel will discuss tools for communities to implement slower speeds.

Conference Day 5: Friday, October 1

Session 5A: 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Mobilize WA: Stories from Disabled Washingtonians who Walk, Roll, Wheel, and Ride Transit

Micah Lusignan (Disability Rights Washington), Abby Griffith (Disability Rights Washington)

Learn from the experiences of disabled community members as they navigate through communities across Washington. These experiences will inform attendees on what we can and must do in order to build accessible, safe systems for all users.

Session 5B: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Keynote Part 2: Envisioning an Equitable Process

Alex Haagaard, Liz Jackson

Join keynote speakers Alex Haagaard and Liz Jackson to discuss key learnings from the week-long audit process. By incorporating their auto-ethnographic practices into the audit, they will platform attendees who bring disabled identities, knowledge, and experience to their design process. Together we will discuss the harms embedded in



the phrase 'Thank you for your feedback', ensuring that the 'humans' who are traditionally 'centered' in human centered design instead maintain authority over the knowledge they provide.

Session 5C: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Progress Towards the Safe System

John Milton (Washington State Department Of Transportation)

Experts from WSDOT discuss the principles and elements that guide development of a 'safe systems approach'. We are all road users, and need to interact safely with each other, and mobility should not come in opposition to keeping people safe. Key takeaways will highlight the importance of the safe system with a particular emphasis on vulnerable road users, the equitable treatment of road users and how fundamental change is necessary to achieve this important approach to road safety.

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Distinguished Guest Speakers

Dara Baldwin

Dara Baldwin is the Director of National Policy for the Center for Disability Rights, a non-profit community based advocacy and service organization for people with all kinds of disabilities. She has led national and international advocacy efforts, including work on the Violence Against Women Act in 2013, and is the Campaign Manager for the passage of the Disability Integration Act.

Ms. Baldwin serves on the Board of Directors for the National Low Income Housing coalition, and serves as an expert advisor on multiple policy issues such as the African American Policy Forum, Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals, Smart Growth America, Interrupting Criminalization, and more.

Liz Jackson

Liz Jackson is currently analyzing power differentials that are embedded in corporate disability initiatives: primarily through how brand partnerships with large scale disability charities serve to undermine and neutralize the work of disabled employees and independent activists. Through this process, Liz works to shift the focus from those who wield power to those who can be entrusted to harness it.

Alex Haagaard

Alex's lived experience of chronic illness and Autisticness forms the basis of their design research practice, affording them immersive and ongoing opportunities to study how disabled people are marginalized within design processes. They are interested in leveraging design's capacity for analyzing, reframing and reimagining toward the dismantling of oppressive systems and institutions.

