



Project Vision

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The Rio Reimagined Active Transportation Study aims to transform the Salt and Gila River corridor into the region's premier active transportation network. The corridor is both infrastructure and destination, linking neighborhoods, job centers, and cultural destinations.

Walkers, cyclists, and micromobility users will find safe, accessible, and equitable options that make multimodal transportation practical and appealing at a regional scale, reimagining how people move through the valley.

Through intentional design, it will reconnect people to the natural landscape and to each other. In doing so, it becomes a catalyst for healthier lifestyles, sustainable growth, and a more inclusive and connected region.



Project Goals

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Connectivity and Access

Establish a Seamless Corridor:

Establish a continuous 90-mile network along the Salt and Gila Rivers for walking, biking, and micromobility that connects communities across the region.

Expand Access:

Provide equitable, affordable transportation options for diverse communities with diverse needs, and further support connections to transit, jobs, schools, and essential services.

Safety and User Experience

Prioritize Safety for All Users:

Design low-stress, accessible, protected facilities safe for all users.

Design for Climate:

Create a corridor that is usable year-round through use of shade, cooling infrastructure, and climate-responsible design supporting the region's sustainability goals.

Promote Health:

Encourage active everyday travel.



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Environmental Stewardship

Protect and Connect People to Nature:

Enable easy, everyday access to nature, while fostering environmental stewardship and protecting the river ecosystem and its natural beauty.

Address Climate:

Incorporate shade and cooling to enable practical year-round use.

Economic and Regional Impact

Support Economic Growth:

Enhance access to businesses and catalyze corridor-based development.

Create a Regional Destination:

Establish the corridor as a landmark for the valley that is well-branded, recognizable, and memorable, drawing residents and visitors alike.