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Streetsblog Launches Denver Site to Provoke Action on Livable Streets

Streetsblog, the influential news source that covers livable streets in cities and regions across the country, launches a [website in Denver](#) today.

Streetsblog Denver will catalyze change and elevate the public discussion around street design, transit, and city planning issues by connecting policy makers and a broad readership to insightful news and commentary. By reporting daily on the local transportation and planning beat, Streetsblog aims to push Denver toward its goal of becoming a great urban center with world-class streets, transit, and public spaces.

“Right now is Denver’s moment,” said Streetsblog Denver Editor David Sachs, a Congress Park resident. “Aside from the countless people who already prefer walking, biking, or transit to get around, Denver is rapidly growing, and we think that most of these people want to live in a city with streets that work well for everyone, of all income levels, no matter how they get around, not just those who drive cars.”

“Streetsblog has a proven track record of helping cities rethink and redesign their streets for the 21st century,” said Streetsblog Editor-in-Chief Ben Fried, “so Denver is the right place at the right time for us.”

On a given day, Streetsblog Denver might publish an article on the city’s burgeoning bike lane network, a pedestrian hit-and-run, or an RTD board meeting. Streetsblog Denver plans to hold decision makers accountable by keeping tabs on issues that might otherwise fall through the cracks, while also highlighting the city’s progress on street safety and effective transit.

In general, Denver is making positive changes when it comes to urban transportation, Sachs said, but it has a long way to go. Streetsblog Denver wants to help the city break through and reach its potential.

“By training our focus on this critical part of the city’s development, we’ll hand a megaphone to more voices and elevate the livable streets conversation,” Sachs said. “We’d like to be a resource for all of Denver’s residents, whether they’re advocates, city planners, or the general public. I know the city government would love to have more residents involved in the conversation.”

Streetsblog was founded in New York City in 2006 and has since expanded to Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Chicago, where it is widely recognized for intelligent reporting and commentary that makes the case for safe, efficient, equitable streets. The New York Times has called Streetsblog “indispensable,” and San Francisco Supervisor Eric Mar has cited Streetsblog SF as “crucial for my decision making.”

Now it’s Denver’s turn.