



## NB RESILIENT IS NEW BEDFORD'S PLAN FOR CLIMATE ACTION + RESILIENCE

WE ARE FOCUSING ON SIX AREAS



Climate & Energy



Economy & Jobs



Infrastructure, Utilities, & Waste



Natural Resources



Public Health & Safety



Transportation & Land Use

# Transportation & Land Use



VISION

**NEW BEDFORD'S** historic character is preserved while updating the transportation & land use network to reflect the need for equitable access to multiple modes of transportation, affordable housing, and active living spaces that foster community cohesion.

## GOALS

- Improve, enhance, and connect the city's multimodal transportation opportunities.
- Increase the use of pedestrian, bicycle, and transit as mode choice for local mobility.
- Update zoning and building regulations to support climate readiness for existing and new developments.
- Provide safe and affordable housing for all residents throughout the city that reflect the historical and cultural character of each area.



**A CONNECTED AND WELL-DESIGNED TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE NETWORK HELPS US PREPARE FOR AND REDUCE THE INTENSITY OF CLIMATE CHANGE**

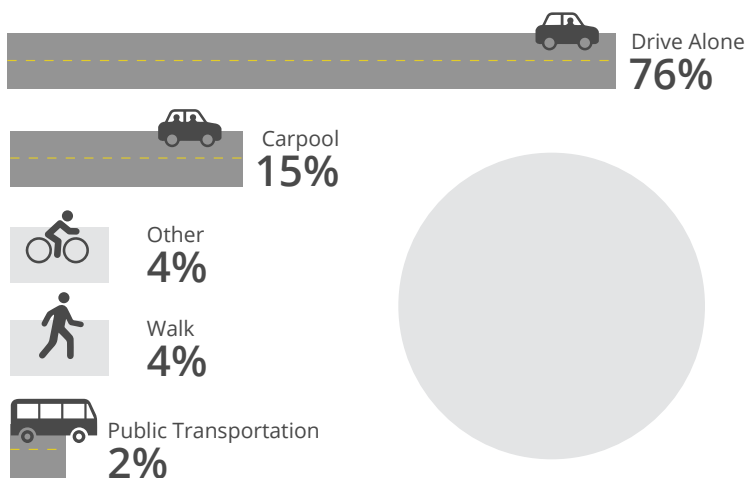
### POTENTIAL IMPACTS

Damage to homes and transportation networks. Increase costs to families who already need affordable transportation and housing options

### GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) are emitted when we drive and use energy in homes and businesses. Less GHGs are emitted when we use principles from transit oriented development or more accessible bike routes and transit, increased walkability, dense neighborhoods, and energy efficient buildings

# CHANGING HOW WE COMMUTE STARTS WITH MAKING ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS MORE ATTRACTIVE AND VIABLE



## HOW OUR LAND IS DEVELOPED AND REDEVELOPED IMPACTS HOW EASY IT IS TO:

get to school, enjoy the outdoors, live comfortably, and be safe from potential climate hazards

100-year FEMA flood zone (2,000 acres of land)



How we build and maintain our housing stock determines the availability of safe and affordable homes

# 50.6%

of New Bedford renters are financially burdened due to housing costs.



All data sources can be found at [nbresilient.com](http://nbresilient.com)



## POTENTIAL ACTIONS

- Update zoning to remove barriers and promote urban agriculture.
- Create more pedestrian-friendly and bicycle friendly, accessible, and attractive spaces throughout the city.
- Working through the NB Bike Plan, work to increase bike lanes to reach 40 miles by 2030.
- Evaluate co-housing concepts that can reduce housing costs and accelerate home ownership.
- Zone for responsible development along the water's edge.
- Ensure residents with disabilities have access to affordable, accessible community housing options.
- Streamline permitting for energy efficient buildings, while minimizing neighborhood impacts from development projects.
- Redevelop the power plant building along the waterfront.



A resilient New Bedford is a thriving, self-sustaining community that is culturally and historically secure and ready to implement innovative approaches to prepare for tomorrow's possibilities.

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