

Sidewalks Series

Introduction

The safety and quality of a community is significantly influenced by the availability and condition of its sidewalks and pedestrian routes. This series includes photos of both good and poor examples of sidewalks. While viewing these photos you may choose to consider how the following keywords apply to each photo. Then, consider how these keywords may apply to similar, present and future sidewalks within your community.

Sidewalk Definition:

An improved pedestrian surface that is typically located adjacent to a roadway. *(Farragut, Tennessee)*

Type: Keywords:

Good	buffer used for traffic calming and pedestrian safety; bulb-out design at crosswalks; conforms with ADA requirements (wheelchair ramps and additional design features for those who are visually and hearing impaired); connectivity; crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED); designated pedestrian space: different material, texture, paint; high visibility increasing safety; landscape; pedestrian islands; proper services and furniture: trash cans, benches, lighting, etc.; provides shade
Poor	dead-ends, no buffer between street and pedestrian way, non-contiguous, poor maintenance, poor street design, poor visibility, unfinished, unlevel