



Radar Speed Sign

What is traffic calming?

- Traffic calming is the installation of designed roadway measures to reduce traffic speeds and / or cut-through vehicle volumes, in the interest of road safety, community livability and returning a neighbourhood roadway to its' intended function of servicing the community.
- Traffic calming may be inclusive of softer measures such as signage and road markings or hard infrastructure that result in a re-design of the roadway to encourage an adjustment to driver behaviour.



Pedestrian Crosswalk



Curb Extension

How can I get my neighbourhood involved?

- Visit stalbert.ca and search Neighbourhood Traffic Calming.
- On the Neighbourhood Traffic Calming webpage, follow the easy steps to fill out the form. Ensure all information in your request is complete.
- Be open to be part of the process. Share your thoughts, experiences and concerns to identify traffic issues and provide your input into creating a traffic calming plan with your community.

For More Information:
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Neighbourhood Traffic Calming FAQ's



What measures can be taken to calm traffic in my neighbourhood?

➤ Infrastructure designed with traffic calming in mind, typically focus on either:

1. Vertical deflection: such as speed tables or raised pedestrian crossings that create a “bump” in the roadway to encourage reduced speeds.
2. Horizontal deflection: such as roundabouts or chicanes that create a curvature in the roadway to encourage reduced speeds.
3. Roadway narrowing: such as pedestrian curb extensions or “bulb-outs” that improve visibility at road user conflict points and encourage reduced speeds.
4. Road closures: such as diagonal diverters, half closures or full closures that limit driver access to road segments and mitigate short-cutting traffic volumes.

Why can't more stop signs be put up?

➤ Stop signs should only be installed where required based on traffic analysis. Stop sign warrant guides must be followed in order for stop signs to be installed at intersections.

Where is traffic calming applicable?

- Traffic calming is applicable to neighbourhood roadways, inclusive of collector and local roads.
- Although the arterial road network will be reviewed in surrounding areas for potential operational improvements; arterial roadways are not candidates for traffic calming measures.

Are the changes permanent?

- Pending the results of the community's input, there are options for certain measures to be implemented temporarily prior to permanent installation. This allows for a testing period to gauge community support and further data analysis on the impacts of these measures. Upon recognition of success and support, these measures may be constructed to a permanent state.
- The process also allows for community input into requests to remove traffic calming measures; however the process is intended to support community requests and ultimately result in a plan that is supported by the majority of the community.

Will City services be affected by traffic calming?

- Traffic calming designs can accommodate service vehicles such as emergency service vehicles, transit and waste management with mitigated impact to their operations.
- Each community traffic calming plan will involve collaborative work with stakeholders from Emergency Services, Transit and Public Works. Information will be shared with the community on estimated impacts of any proposed traffic calming plan for residents to be fully informed during decision-making processes.

Does traffic calming work?

- The effectiveness of any traffic calming plan relies on a comprehensive strategy and the combination of a variety of traffic calming measures. It is also highly dependent on your involvement! To find the right solutions, we need to identify the problem. As local residents, your involvement in the process can give us valuable insight into the areas of concern within your community.