

BENEFITS OF TWO-WAY STREETS OVER ONE-WAY STREETS

Pedestrian Visibility

On one-way streets with multiple lanes, a driver might stop for someone crossing — but the next driver might not see them, especially if a large vehicle blocks the view. This makes crossings **less safe**.

More Driving + More Emissions

One-way streets often force drivers to go **past their destination and loop around**. This means **more driving**, more gas, and more traffic.

More Turns, More Conflicts

One-way streets mean drivers have to make **more turns** at intersections. This increases the chances of crashes between **cars, people walking, and bikes**.

Split Transit Routes

Buses can't run both directions on one-way streets. Riders have to find **different stops** depending on which way they're going — which can be confusing.



Two eastbound lanes on Chestnut Street make it difficult to see pedestrians at Christian Street



Two-way travel on Mulberry Street and curb bumpouts improve crosswalk visibility

SUCCESSFUL 2-WAY CONVERSIONS

Main Street, Lakeland, FL

Before the conversion, properties along Main Street in Lakeland were **50% vacant**. Following the 1999 conversion to two-way, the corridor is a **vibrant shopping and dining street**, and downtown housing has been reintroduced.



2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA

After six decades as a speedway and a barrier, 2nd Street reopened as a two-way street. As a result, **speeds have gone down, pedestrian crossings has been improved**, and the neighborhood has been **reconnected to the riverfront**.

