

Goal For Transit – Growth Plan to Half a Million

Saskatoon’s Vision for Moving Around (from the 2013-2023 Strategic Plan)

Our investments in infrastructure and new modes of transportation have shifted attitudes about the best ways to get around. Our transportation network includes an accessible and efficient transit system and a comprehensive network of bike routes. People still use cars, and also rely on options such as public transit, walking and cycling.

Growth has brought new roads and bridges that improve connectivity for all travel modes. Improved streetscapes, interconnected streets and well-planned neighbourhoods encourage walking and cycling. Attractive options to the car alleviate congestion and ensure people and goods can move around the city quickly and easily.

Goal for Transit (developed for the Growth Plan)

The transit system in Saskatoon will strive toward providing exceptional experience for customers and be attractive. The long-term Transit Plan will include a broader range of service to support a variety of trips. Rapid transit will complement the overall transit system, and serve as the spine to the transit network. Rapid transit corridors and stations will be planned to support and connect higher density, mixed-use areas of the City in order to enhance mobility for residents and visitors.

Transit Objectives

- To support and shape opportunities for growth and development beyond current plans.
- To provide frequent, direct and reliable transit services for the most significant travel markets.
- To provide neighbourhood services that support local area travel and connections to primary corridors.
- To provide transit supportive facilities that enhance safety and comfort for customers.

Growth Plan BRT Route Option Evaluation

The Growth Plan used the following criteria to evaluate options to refine the route selection:

- 1) Existing Population;
- 2) Existing Employment;
- 3) Potential for Transit Oriented Development Growth;
- 4) Relative Ridership Potential; and
- 5) Roadway Suitability.