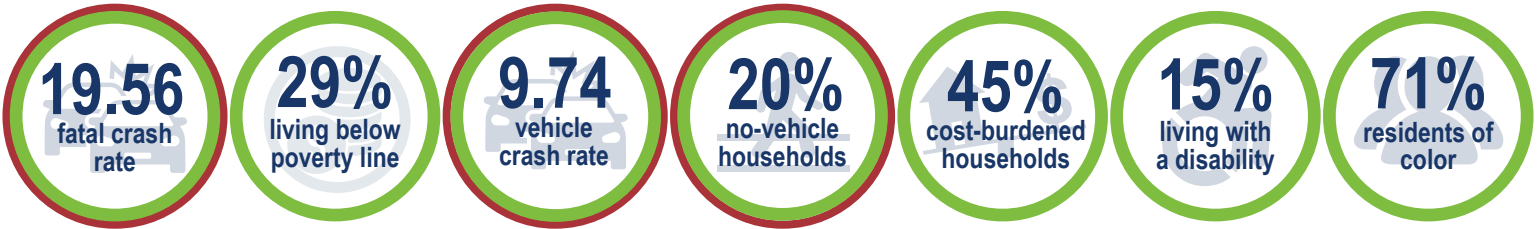


RICE STREET (CSAH 49) RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Ramsey County, Minnesota 2023 RAISE Capital Grant Request

The proposed community led vision for Rice Street will remove a significant barrier with a new roadway configuration that prioritizes safety mobility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit. The project will promote economic growth and local investment, create an inviting environment, and support growing multimodal usage.



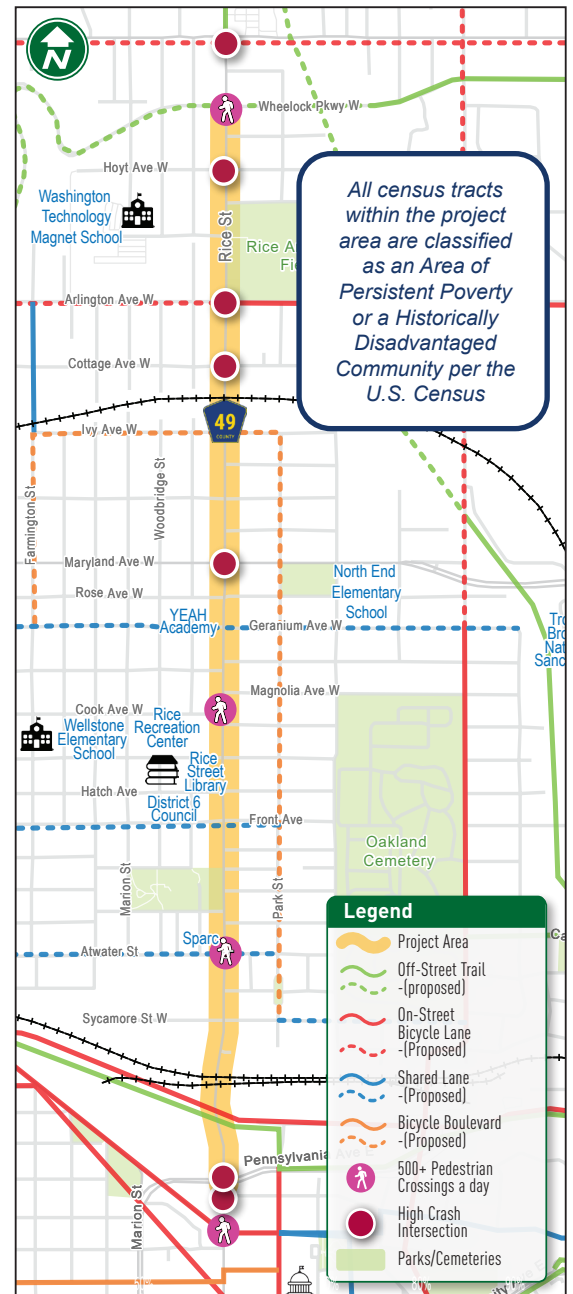
Project Need

A \$19.5M RAISE Capital Construction Grant will allow a 2024 reconstruction start for Rice Street, a major transportation corridor and economic activity hub in Saint Paul. Rice Street connects residents, travelers, and visitors to a diverse intermingling of businesses, services and institutions. The current roadway has numerous safety, access, and traffic concerns, including a crash rate nearly two and a half times the statewide average rate for total crashes and four times the rate of fatal and serious injury crashes. This equates to a crash once every three days.

Project Components

The full reconstruction of Rice Street from Pennsylvania Avenue to Wheelock Parkway will improve safe, multimodal access to area amenities such as locally owned commercial and employment destinations, social services, and civic institutions. The full reconstruction of Rice Street from Pennsylvania Avenue to Wheelock Parkway will include:

- 4-3 conversion with center turn lane (road diet)
- Shared-use pedestrian & bicycle path
- Enhanced sidewalk conditions
- Consistent boulevard space and streetscape amenities
- Improved transit access for the future G Line BRT route.
- Planned utility upgrades along the entire 2-mile segment



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