Why Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.?

This roadway is one of the main entry ways to downtown for many commuters.

The City of Albuquerque is constantly developing plans to improve roadways and pedestrian accessibility.

Improvements along this section of Albuquerque will enhance connection between the University of New Mexico and Innovate ABQ for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists.



Through engineering and traffic studies, the City of Albuquerque is looking forward to providing a more efficient roadway for commuters.

As new treatments will be added to the roadway, we urge motorists, cyclists and pedestrians to pay extra attention to eachother.



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Questions about project?

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. Bike Facility Enhancements



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New to the Avenue

University Ave. to Broadway Blvd.

Restriping along this corridor will provide the following:

- Narrowing the driving lanes from 13 ft. to 11 ft. will aid in traffic calming.
 - Provide wider bike lanes- up to 6 ft.
- A 4 ft. buffer between the bike lane and driving lane.





Bike Loop Detectors

Loop detectors are coils of wire set into the pavement which, after they are electromagnetically triggered, alert traffic lights to change in the direction of travel, similar to a vehicle. They will also extend the allotted crossing time. Loop detectors will be installed on Martin Luther King Jr. at:

- Broadway Blvd.
- Edith Blvd.
- Locust St.
- University Blvd.

Green Paint

This high contrast paint will be added to all signalized intersection approaches. Green paint will provide increased visibility to drivers and cyclists alike while also providing a slip resistant surface to allow cyclists better traction in inclement weather.

Bike Boxes

Bike boxes will be located throughout the corridor at multiple intersections. A bike box is a designated area at the head of a traffic lane at a signalized intersection that provides bicyclists with a visible way to get ahead of queuing traffic during the red signal phase.

Two-Stage Bike Box



A two-stage bike box will be added to the intersection of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. and Broadway.

How it works.

- 1. As you approach an intersection with a two-stage left turn bike box, instead of crossing multiple lanes of traffic to make a left, stay on the right side of traffic as you move into the intersection and occupy the bike box.
- 2. Face the direction you are turning and wait in the bike box until the light you are facing turns green. Cross the street to complete a two-stage left turn.

-Drivers should stop at stop bar