




# Clarion's Barriers: Common Factors

The analysis of barriers synthesizes the feedback we received from the five transportation user groups. Although not summarized below, input from the steering committee is incorporated into the map of all five user types.


Participants in all groups identified the broken and disconnected sidewalks throughout town as a barrier; the mobility-impaired and active groups noted that many corners do not have curb cuts. Another common barrier cited by both adults and youth is rough railroad crossings that are difficult for wheelchair users and cyclists. Both adult and youth participants noted the lack of outdoor recreation venues such as sledding hills, an ice skating rink, a skate park, and a trail system.

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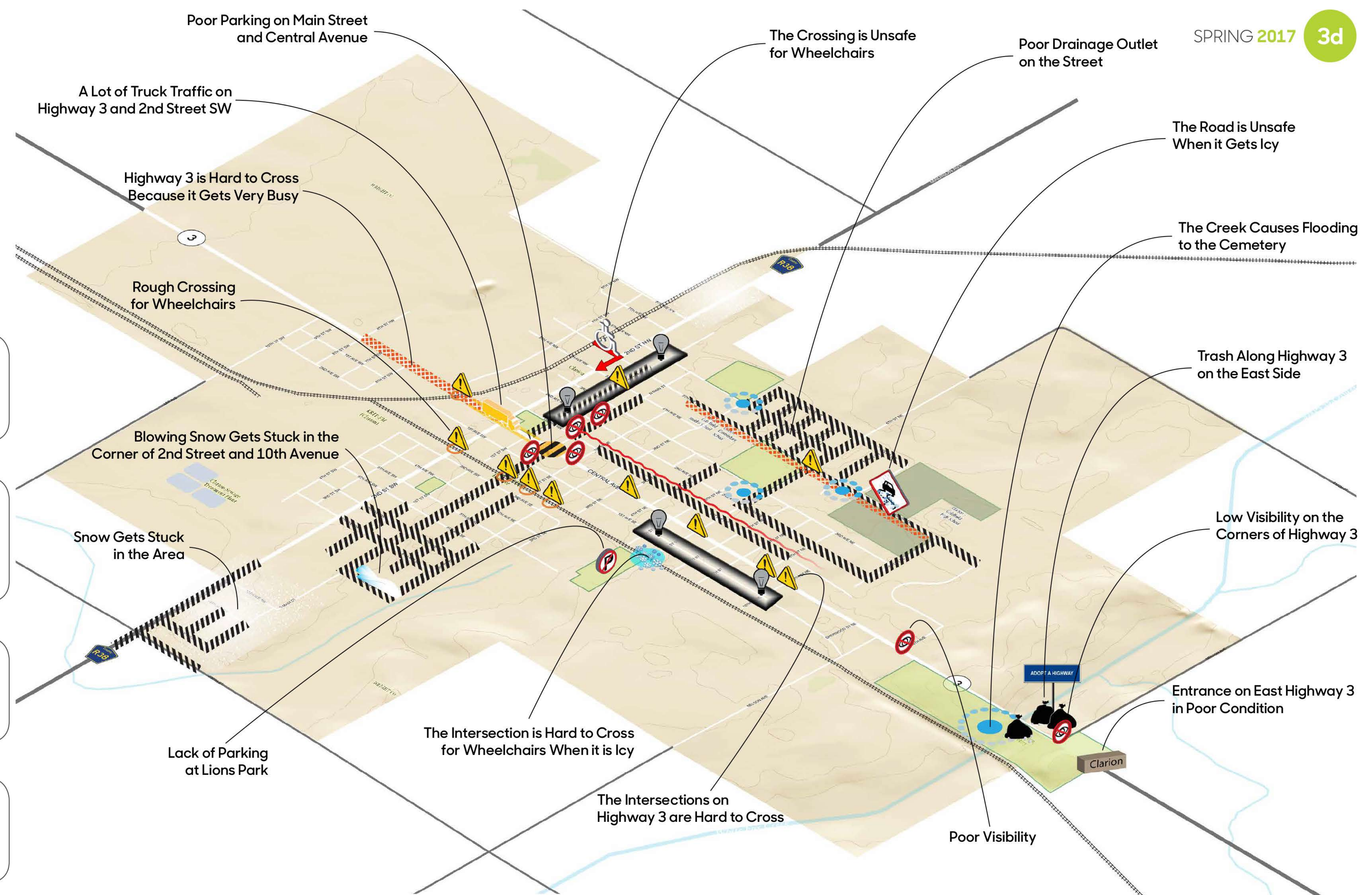
**Actives**  
Active recreationists are not comfortable cycling along the Highway 3 because of the traffic. They noted poor road conditions in general, and specifically identified 5th Avenue as a street that floods and gets muddy.
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**Mobility Impaired**  
Mobility-impaired individuals see the rough railroad crossings and lack of curb cuts as significant barriers to their travel. They also pointed out poor lighting in town as a problem. This group see the need for better crosswalks, especially across the highway.
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**Older Adults**  
Older adults see the overall appearance of the community as a problem, specifically the east entrance along Highway 3. A lack of affordable transportation is also a barrier to this group. Older adults noted that the local parks are small and underutilized.
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**Youth**  
Youth perceive Highway 3 as a barrier because it is difficult to cross. This group also commented on the lack of parking at Lion's Park and poor visibility at certain intersections.
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**Parents**  
Parents see the highways as barriers and they do not feel comfortable biking there because of heavy truck traffic and a lack of bike lanes. This group pointed out visibility issues caused by poor lighting and parking configurations.



**Legend**

 Unsafe for Wheelchairs	 Dark	 Icy Sidewalk	 Poor Connection or No Sidewalks	 Truck Traffic
 Railroad Crossings	 Standing Water	 Poor Parking	 Traffic Congestion	 Clarion Entrance to Town
 Unsafe Crossings	 Limited Parking	 Poor Visibility	 Icy Road	 Snow Pile