

Knowledge of the transportation systems in and around a community is critical for sustainable transportation enhancement planning.

Malvern's transportation network includes paved and unpaved roadways, pedestrian sidewalks, and multi-purpose trails.

County Road L63 (Main Street as it enters Malvern city limits), running north-south, bisecting the city into east and west sides. L63 outside of City Limits is maintained by the County and is scheduled to be resurfaced in 2024 from the south to the county line.

A challenge that Malvern faces is the availability of on-street parking, in part because employees of the downtown businesses use public on-street parking during working hours. To help alleviate the issue, Malvern Bank now provides an off-street lot parking for its employees with access off East 4th Street or through the alley off East 5th Street.

The Wabash Trace Nature Trail (Trace) runs northwest-southeast through Malvern on the west side of town. The Trace is an important recreational amenity for Malvern residents and the Malvern economy during the warmer months, when an influx of Trace riding events come through the city limits. Malvern recently added a recreational trail around Boehner Pond that connects back to the Trace just northeast of the campgrounds.

Sidewalk conditions are a challenge throughout Malvern. East Mills High School students cross the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad tracks at both Main Street and Marion Avenue. Both vehicular bridges have a pedestrian lane; however, the Main Street bridge has no connecting sidewalks on either the north or south side of the bridge.

A new residential development has been created south of Malvern city limits, directly west of the Malvern Cemetery. The development does not include pedestrian sidewalks and provides no safe pedestrian access to downtown Malvern.

Localized flooding of Silver Creek, in southwest Malvern has negatively impacted the city. In southwest Malvern there is a drainage issue between 2nd and 3rd Avenues, just north of 1st Street. There is a drainage ditch at the Heartland Co-op at the intersection of W 6th St. and W 8th St.

## Malvern

## Transportation Inventory

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