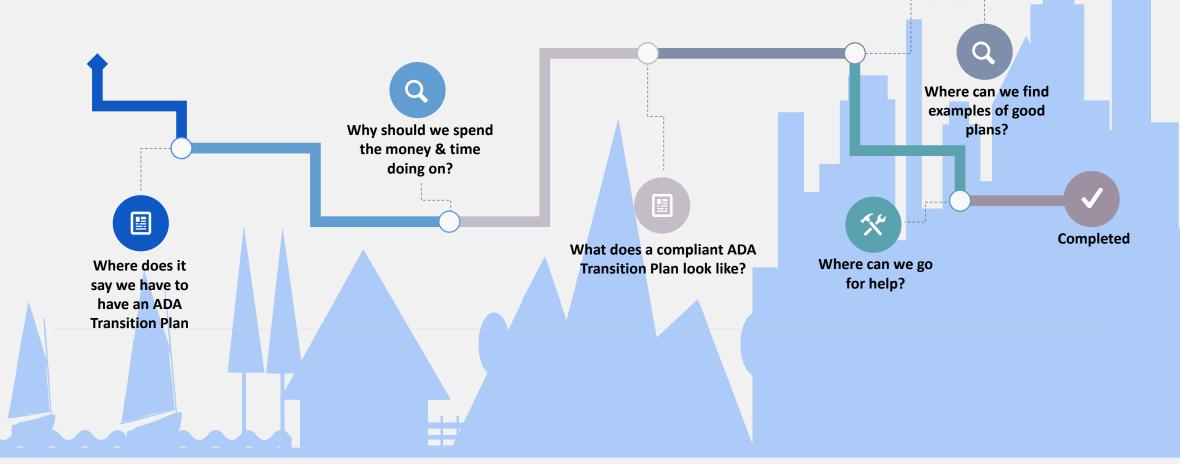
WELCOME

ADA Transition Plans

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Road Map





Where does it say?



- Most specifically in the DOJ's regulation,
 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State
 and Local Government Services 28 CFR 35.150(d)(2)
 "If a public entity has responsibility over streets, roads,
 or walkways, its transition plan shall include a schedule
 for providing curb ramps or other sloped areas where
 pedestrians cross curbs...."
- Was supposed to have been completed by January 26, 1992.

- But the requirement is older than that going back to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. USDOT's implementing regulation, 49 CFR 27, requires "compliance planning." This was supposed to have been completed by December 29, 1979.
- In 1987 Congress passed the Civil Rights Restoration Act that expanded nondiscrimination coverage to all areas of a recipient.



Why should we?



Legal

It's a legal, regulatory requirement for public entities with more than 50 employees.



Violation

Violation of such could mean the termination of federal funds to your programs.



Requirement

The requirement to make sidewalks accessible has been unsuccessfully challenged in the court system. The US Supreme Court has refused to hear appeals by local governments.



Department of Justice

The DOJ's Project Civic Access could visit. Those reviews look at everything – polling places, jails, websites, parks, etc.



Community

Most communities advocate inclusiveness for all. Failure to remedy barriers shows "thoughtlessness and inaction" and "simple exclusion."



Grandfather

There is no "grandfather" clause.

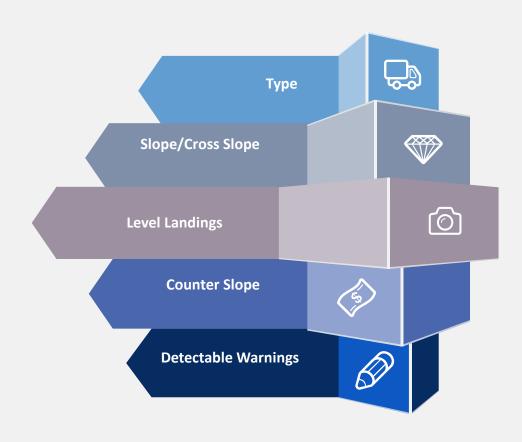




The regulation provides four items that must be included:

Identify physical obstacles in the public entity's facilities that limit the accessibility of its programs or activities to individuals with disabilities. Also known as the self-evaluation.

Physical Obstacles Include:



Curb Ramps



Physical Obstacles Include:

Sidewalks

Width

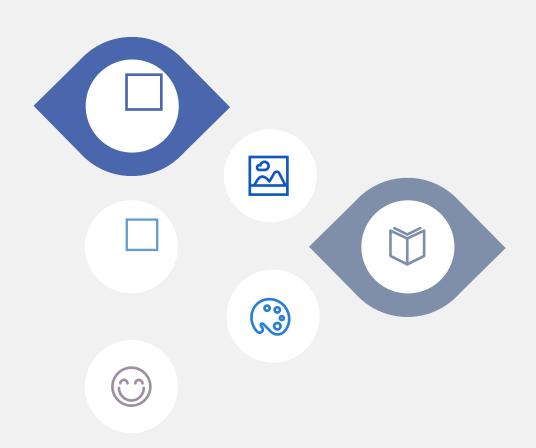
Surface

Vertical Discontinuities

Obstructions

Slope & Cross Slope

Driveways





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Describe in detail the methods that will be used to make the facilities accessible.

Construction?
Maintenance?
Adjusting timing?

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Specify the schedule for taking the steps necessary to achieve compliance. If the time period of the transition is longer than one year, identify steps that will be taken during each year of the transition period

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Indicate the name of the official responsible for the implementation of the plan. This can be a different person than the designated ADA Coordinator.



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The ADA Self-evaluation and transition plan must include public involvement. The regulation requires that "interested persons, including individuals with disabilities or organizations representing individuals with disabilities, participate in the development of the transition plan by submitting comments."





Other ADA Requirements



Transition Plan

The transition plan must be available for public inspection. All of it. Including the self-evaluation.



Local Government

If your local government employees 50 or more persons, you must designate <u>at least</u> one employee to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities. You must provide contact information for this employees in a manner that is available to everyone.



Policy Statement

An ADA policy statement must be developed, signed by the CEO and easily accessible to the public.

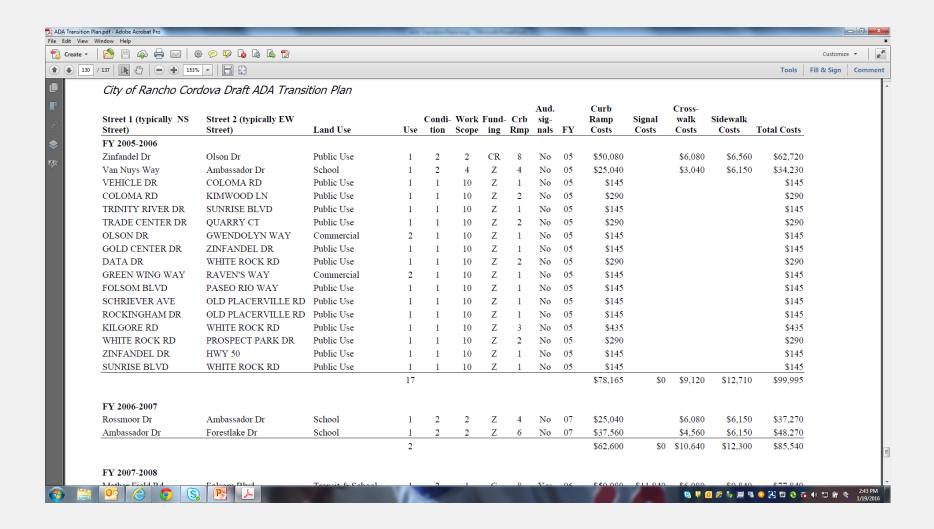


Responsible Party

This person must also be responsible for conducting investigations into complaints.

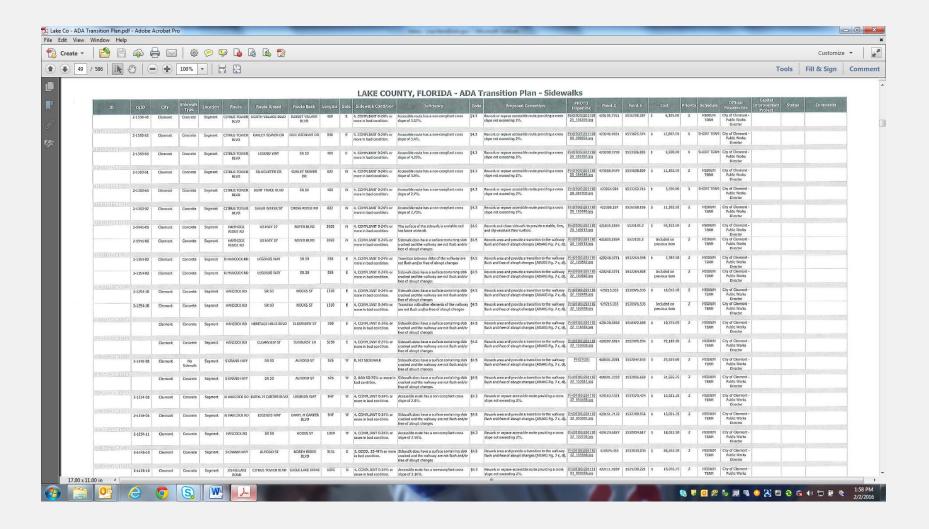


Rancho Cordova, CA



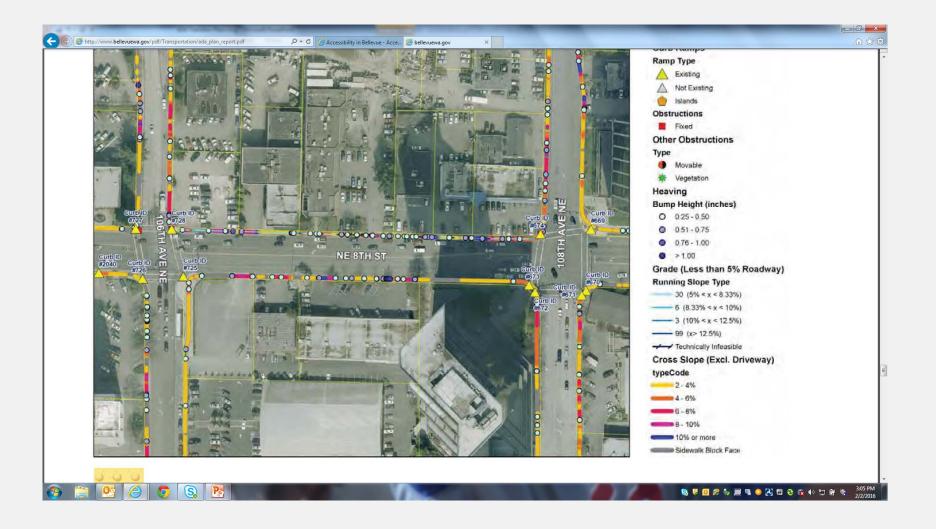


Lake County, Florida



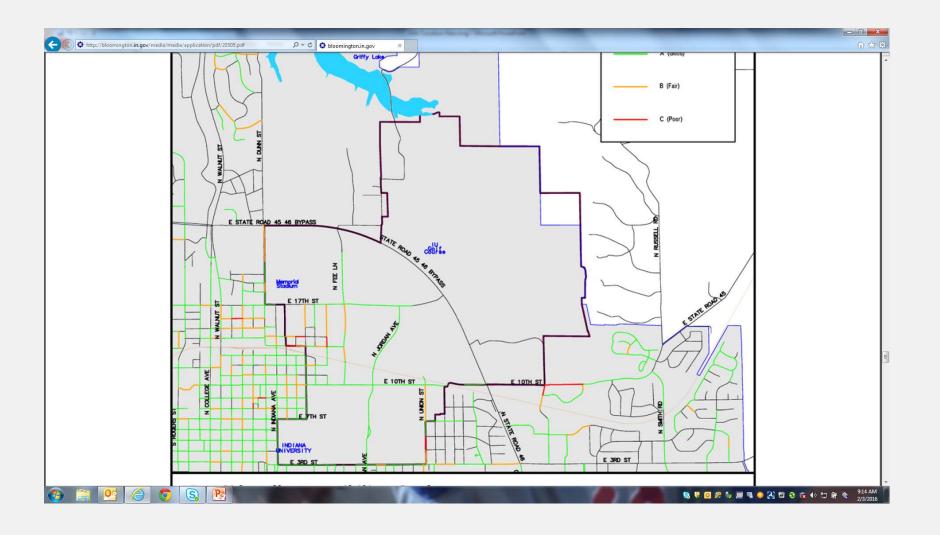


Bellevue, WA



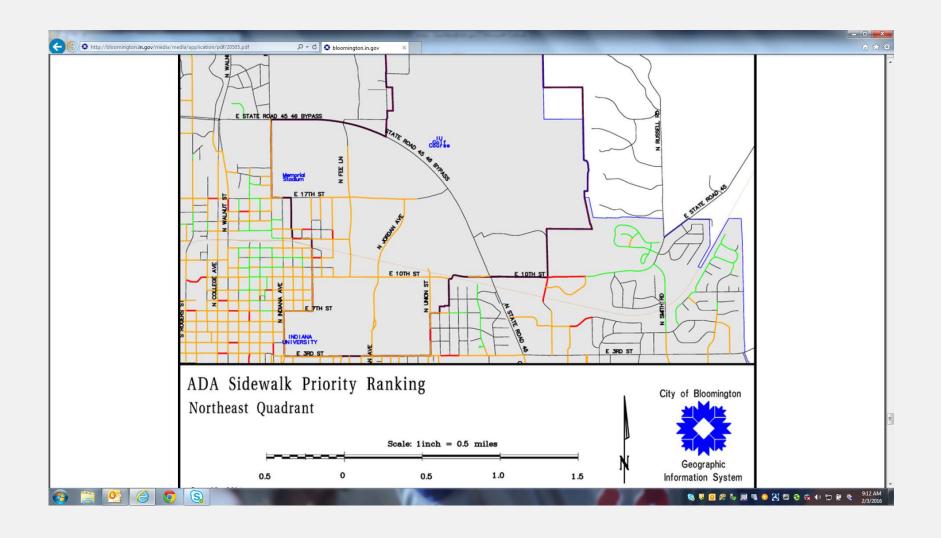


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Resources





ADA.gov—2010 ADA Standards (included ADAAG); Toolkit for State and Local Governments



Me – I don't know all but I am good at finding answers.



fhwa.dot.gov/civilrights/programs/ada.cfm



Access-board.gov – Public Rights-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) & Shared Use Paths

