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The City of Hudson has partnered with Columbia County to maximize the benefits of public transportation. The city actively supports regional public transportation.

The city has created no parking zones reserved for bus stops. Furthermore, the city has installed bus schedule signs on city property at several locations to encourage ridership. In addition, the city has improved and maintained infrastructure to ensure people can access public transportation through multiple modes. See below for more details.



Develop shuttle system to trains

The bus system reduces the distance a passenger needs to travel to access transit. The bus system includes drop-off and pick-up at the Hudson Train Station on Front Street. In addition, riders can request a 3/4 mile deviation from the route. Given the assigned routes and Hudson's geography, almost all locations in the city of Hudson are within 3/4 of an existing route, and therefore residents and visitors can request a ride from almost anywhere in Hudson to the train station (or from the station to almost anywhere Hudson. The bus stop signs and printed schedules have the train station marked on the route. (See photo)



(For schedules and route maps, see attached.)

Improve walkways, sidewalks and/or bikeways to trains and buses

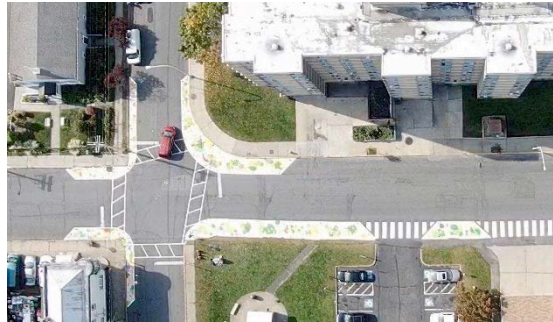


The City of Hudson maintains several crosswalks along the transportation route. In 2020, the City of Hudson added new crosswalks at 2nd and State and 3rd and State. This project was partially funded by a grant from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene County through the Creating Healthy Schools and Communities program. (See photo.)

In 2020, the city of Hudson created a temporary "tactical urbanism" pedestrian improvement along the bus route at 2nd and State and Front and Warren. This project was funded by the New York State Downtown Revitalization Initiative grant. A permanent version of the project will be completed in 2022. (See photos below.)



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The city partnered with NYS to create an Empire State Trail shared walkway and bikeway along Harry Howard. (See photo at far right.)

In 2019, the city of Hudson created ADA-compliant curb ramps along bus routes at 5th and State and 6th and State. This project was partially funded through New York State Department of Transportation. (See photo at near right.)



In 2020, crosswalk signals were added to three intersections along the route. This project was partially funded through New York State Department of Transportation. (See photo.)



Ensure adequate bike and car parking near bus stops





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There is bike parking infrastructure in several locations along the route. The bike racks at 6th Street and 7th Street were funded by the Rotary Club. The bike rack on 3rd and Union was purchased in 2019 by funds from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene County through the Creating Healthy Schools and Communities program. The bike rack on 4th and Warren was purchased by the City of Hudson. (See photos above.)

The bus route is adjacent to multiple city of Hudson public parking lots, including lots on Front Street and Warren Street - as well as free on-street parking along State Street. (See above for photo of on-street parking and below for parking lots.)

