

**Gateway Cities COG
I-710 Ad Hoc Committee
Principles for the I-710 Corridor**

Address the past harms created by the I-710 Freeway by improving conditions for those who live in and use the corridor, according to the following principles:

Process

- A. Ensure community voices are incorporated into decision making about the corridor.
- B. Agencies with jurisdiction over different aspects or parts of the corridor – e.g., the I-710 freeway, arterial streets, LA River Channel, and utility corridors – need to collaborate and be accountable.

Air Quality and Health

- C. Improve air quality in communities along the I-710 Corridor.
- D. Reduce vehicle emissions, including from tires and brakes.
- E. Improve the overall health of corridor residents, including mental health.
- F. Make the I-710 corridor a national and state priority for deploying zero-emissions trucks, as well as personal vehicles.

Safety

- G. Make the freeway and other roads in the corridor safer for all users, whether they are in vehicles or not.
- H. Increase pedestrian, bicycle, and motor vehicle safety by improving on- and off-ramps.
- I. Work with appropriate agencies to find safe places for people now living along the freeway.

Mobility

- J. Improve mobility by providing more transit and other multimodal travel options, including freight rail, to reduce congestion and bottlenecks.

Community Experience & Aesthetics

- K. No expansion of the freeway and no displacement of homes and businesses.

- L. Make the corridor more welcoming by engaging artists from the community and by adding native vegetation, which can also trap pollution.
- M. Enhance signage and way finding.
- N. Assist cities in addressing the impact of heavy vehicles on local streets and arterials.
- O. Improve pavement materials and maintenance.
- P. Ensure corridor communities, including smaller communities, receive benefits from moving goods in the corridor, not just impacts.

Economy

- Q. Ensure corridor residents have access to job opportunities, including jobs that support families and pay living wages and jobs created in the efforts to improve the corridor.
- R. Improve economic health of the communities in the corridor, including responding to mobility needs and the need for affordable and low-income housing.
- S. Ensure sufficient equitable funding is provided to meet community goals in all cities, including smaller cities.
- T. Ensure support for small and local businesses.

To achieve these visionary principles, consider the following projects, programs, or policies:

1. Build higher soundwalls to protect residents from air pollution, noise, and other impacts.
2. Conduct safety audit and targeted safety improvements.
3. Create Zero-Emission (ZE) Zone (encourage all vehicles traveling on the I-710 to be clean vehicles).
4. Install charging/fueling stations/ZE infrastructure at key locations throughout the corridor.
5. Support for regional transit program focused on supporting zero-car households, including community educational programs on transit use.

6. Propose and pass community stabilization policies that provide a holistic approach to support impacted communities, to include but not limited to community benefits and workforce agreements, inclusionary housing policies, locally owned business support, community land trusts.