

# Designing comfortable routes

This year, we're focusing on traffic-calmed local streets in Jamaica Plain.

## Contraflow bike lanes

### DIRECT ROUTES, BETTER ACCESS

One-way streets help manage the flow of vehicles. We might want to allow people to bike in both directions on one-way streets that:

- ▶ Provide access to a major destination, park, or trail access point, and/or,
- ▶ Help bicyclists avoid an obstacle, like a major hill or busy street with less comfortable biking conditions.

Contraflow bike lanes are a well-established design tool. They have seen decades of use around the U.S., the Boston area, and globally.



## Speed humps

### 24/7 TRAFFIC CALMING

Speed humps help to keep drivers at steady, safer speeds. They don't impact drainage, street sweeping, snow removal, or street parking. They work on narrower streets that have low traffic volumes and no MBTA bus service.

We worked with emergency responders to create our speed hump design standards.

Our speed humps preserve emergency response times.



## Bike lanes

### CLEAR, DEDICATED SPACE FOR BIKING

Different streets call for different bike lanes. On **traffic-calmed local streets**, we can create comfortable bike lanes with paint and signage. On busier streets, we provide separation between bikes and vehicles.

This year, our projects in JP use a combination of bike lanes and separated bike lanes, depending on the context.

