

Georgetown Loop Project

The Georgetown Loop Project is a proposed 3.3 mile two-lane arterial roadway which will complete a bypass around the City of Georgetown beginning and ending at SH 29 east and west of the City. This project is consistent with Williamson County, State of Texas, and federal initiatives to provide alternative routes for emergency events, provide safe and reliable transportation options to economic generators, and improve the quality of life for all residents. This project will provide a route around rather than through the highly congested City of Georgetown central business district.



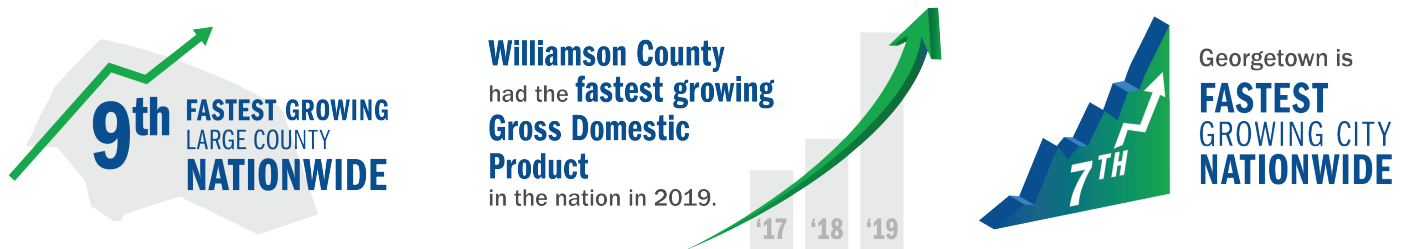
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Williamson County is requesting \$24.3 million in matching funds, to an already \$2.8 committed in local funds for construction by the City of Georgetown. Williamson County and the City of Georgetown invested \$15.3M and \$29.3M, respectively on the construction of the previous segments of the bypass. Williamson County has effectively managed large projects and has the ability to obligate matching funds via sustainable revenue sources.

Williamson County has begun preparing for implementation of these improvements, which have very strong local support, while making efforts to align with potential funding opportunities:



This segment of road is the final remaining link of a bypass route around the southern side of the City of Georgetown from SH 29 east of SH 130 to SH 29 west of I-35. The investment is justifiably vital to the economy of Central Texas, and aims to provide safe and reliable roadways in an area of rapid population growth, as of 2019 per U.S. Census:



Safety & Mobility

- Supports the travel of freight and passenger vehicles by constructing an alternative route for freight vehicles around the high demand area of the City of Georgetown central business district.
- Has potential to reduce the mix of oversize and overweight vehicles with passenger vehicles by providing an alternative route. Currently, SH 29, through the urban core of Georgetown, has a crash rate over 20 times the national average.
- Decreases delay and idling of freight vehicles by providing an alternative route to SH 29 with an at grade rail crossing.
- Advances racial equity and reduces barriers to opportunity by connecting neighborhoods, commercial areas, and key local government facilities with modernized transportation facilities.
- Reduces maintenance costs on existing SH 29, which can be returned to local control.

Economic Development

- Enhances connectivity to new developments including two new sites that will bring over 350,000 square feet of mixed-use development.
- Modernizes transportation infrastructure in an underserved Census Tract (216.02) with a 35.2% minority population and 14.5% of households at or below federal poverty level.
- Enhances rural bus service in eastern Williamson County by providing a new connection to mixed-use development.