SHORT-TERM SAFE CROSSING STEPS

IMPROVE INTERSECTION SAFETY ON HIGHWAY 71

Intersection improvements could include:

- Upgrading crosswalks to high-visibility striping and maintaining the painting
- Installing leading pedestrian internal phasing to provide people walking with a head start over vehicles turning at the intersections
- Enhancing streetscaping and reducing corner turn radii to improve pedestrian safety features at crossing locations
- Build out bicycle facilities in the Swope area, with an emphasis on safe crossing locations
- Revisiting the signal timing at the intersections on Highway 71 and Prospect to minimize impacts for drivers and to provide additional safety for people crossing the highway to access Prospect MAX.
- Consider allowing public art in the parkway space between US-71’s separated north- and southbound segments.
- Install wayfinding signage throughout the Swope area so people know where crossing locations and transit are located.

CASE STUDY:
Depot Avenue Trail Pedestrian Bridge Gainsville, FL

The Depot Avenue Trail pedestrian bridge in Gainsville, Florida, was designed with artistic components to provide a more comfortable crossing experience. Aesthetic and architecture play a key role in the use of a space, whether as a destination or as a pathway.