# RECONNECTING

**ONE MOBILE:** RECONNECTING PEOPLE, WORK AND PLAY **THROUGH COMPLETE STREETS** 



Welcome to the sixteenth edition of the Revitalizing Broad Street Improvement Project's **RECONNECTING** newsletter. In this issue, you will find out what is happening now and what comes next, as well as how Broad Street offers 'Ladders of Opportunity'.

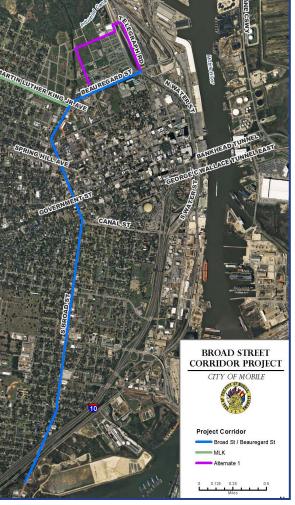
### LADDERS OF OPPORTUNITY

Broad and Beauregard Streets are linked arterial streets that are critical to the efficient movement of workers and goods. The Project Corridor connects to surrounding industrial complexes, economic engines, and employment centers in and around Downtown Mobile — including the Port of Mobile and the Mobile Aeroplex at Brookley. The Project Corridor is the only direct, north-south, surface route connecting area residents with these industries and employment centers. Additionally, the Project Corridor allows for efficient movement of goods from the Mobile Aeroplex and the State Port Authority's various terminals to Interstate-10; U.S. Highways 98, 43, and 90; Water Street and Interstate-65.

A quick assessment indicates more than 43,000 employees in and around the Project Corridor. The City anticipates a surge in employment as additional economic development and growth takes place. The region has multiple economic development efforts in place, including designation as an Investing in Manufacturing Community Partnership (IMCP) region by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The corridor bisects several low-to-moderate income unemployment rate of 25 percent. A restored, cohesive and appealing streetscape along neighborhoods with an average

the Project Corridor with a variety of transportation options will help connect employees to employment centers. By emphasizing the neighborhoods' proximity to the City's economic engines, the reconstruction of the Project Corridor will help the neighborhoods and their residents thrive and economically advance towards middle class status. Expanded transportation options and an inspiring Project Corridor will create "ladders of opportunities" for the residents of impacted neighborhoods.



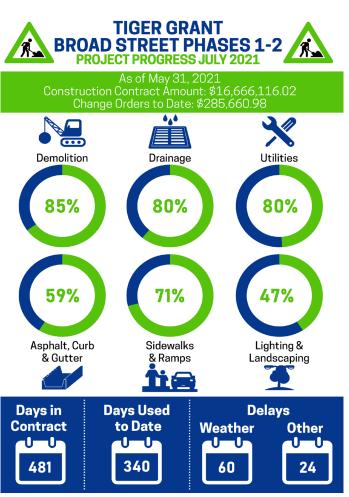
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## WHAT TO EXPECT

**BROAD STREET:** Crews continue to build up the curb and sidewalk. Next will be pouring concrete, and getting the street ready to open. Broad Street at Dauphin Street and Old Shell Road is projected to open around July 31.

#### **BROAD STREET CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS**



### **TRAFFIC NOTICE**

As Crews continue work on Broad Street, residential cut through streets will have limited access for residents and businesses only. The road closures will be strictly enforced by Mobile Police Department with a no tolerance policy.

The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) anticipates beginning a project to resurface a portion of US-90 (SR-16) from Lawrence St to Water St and Telegraph Rd on Monday, June 7, 2021.

The scope of the project includes 0.67 miles of planning, paving, and striping operations as well as implementing guardrail and curb ramp improvements. This project also includes a lane reconfiguration (or lane diet) to change the outside lane to a bike lane with a buffer in both directions to provide continuous bike facilities and connect the previous work on the City of Mobile's Water St. Project to the ongoing work on the City of Mobile's Broad St. Project. There will be two travel lanes in each direction with median turn lanes.

