



The Ave for All

Do you want our public right-of-way to prioritize people & small businesses—not just cars?

Running Total

University Way has always been the heart of the U District. It is home to local businesses, community gatherings, and one of Seattle's most culturally distinctive street corridors. But its sidewalks are narrow, seating is scarce, and for decades the street has prioritized vehicle throughput over the people who give it life.

The case for pedestrianization is not new. It has been discussed in the U District since the 1950s. The 2017 upzone and the arrival of light rail brought new density and new demand for open, people-centered public space. The moment to act is now.

The *Ave for All* pilot offers a preview on **May 30** and **June 6**, from 11am to 8pm, one block of The Ave between 42nd and 43rd will close to cars and open to the community with live music, café seating, games, and the nearby farmers market. Delivery and emergency access are preserved. Every person who shows up strengthens the case for a permanent Car-Free Ave.

Full pedestrianization could bring more outdoor dining, concerts & performances, expanded greenery, vintage markets, and nightlife destinations, while maintaining emergency and delivery access.

Pike Place Market did it. The Ave can too.



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Third Street Promenade, Santa Monica, California



Pilot at Pike Place Market, where closure to cars resulted in a 7.5% increase in foot traffic!

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