

## RTP Vision and Goals

*The Pioneer Valley region strives to create and maintain a safe, dependable, environmentally sound and equitable transportation system. We pledge to advance performance based strategies and projects that promote sustainable development, healthy and livable communities, provide for the efficient movement of people and goods and advance the economic vitality of the region.*

### Goals:

1. **Safety** - To provide and maintain a transportation system that is safe for all modes of travel users and their property.
2. **Operations and Maintenance** - To provide a transportation system that is dependable and adequately serves users of all modes. To give priority to the repair of existing streets, roads and bridges.
3. **Environmental** - To minimize the transportation related adverse impacts to air, land, and water quality and strive to improve environmental conditions at every opportunity and incorporate green infrastructure.
4. **Coordination** - To collaborate the efforts of the general public with local, state and federal planning activities.
5. **Energy Efficient** - To promote the reduction of energy consumption through demand management techniques and increase the use of energy efficient travel modes.
6. **Cost Effective** - To provide a transportation system that is cost effective to maintain, improve and operate.
7. **Intermodal** - To provide access between travel modes for people and goods while maintaining quality and affordability of service.
8. **Multimodal** - To provide a complete choice of adequate travel options that are accessible to all residents, visitors and businesses.
9. **Economically Productive** - To maintain a transportation system that promotes and supports economic stability and expansion.
10. **Quality of Life** - To provide and maintain a transportation system that enhances quality of life and improves the social and economic climate of the region.
11. **Environmental Justice** - To provide an equitably accessible transportation system that considers the needs of and impacts on low-income, minority, elderly and disabled persons.
12. **Land Use** - To incorporate the concepts of Sustainable Development in the regional transportation planning process and integrate the recommendations of the current Regional Land Use Plan into transportation improvements.
13. **Climate Change** - To promote and advance transportation projects that reduce the production of greenhouse gasses, such as CO<sub>2</sub>, and advance new energy technologies consistent with the Pioneer Valley Clean Energy Plan.