

MID-BLOCK MEDIAN

Definition: An island or barrier in the center of a street that serves to segregate traffic.



ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides a refuge for pedestrians and cyclists. • May improve streetscape if landscaped. • Provides barrier between lanes of traffic. • May produce a limited reduction in vehicle speeds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May reduce site lines if over landscaped. • Increased maintenance.

EVALUATION CONSIDERATIONS

SAFETY	←-----▶	POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENT
SPEED REDUCTION	←-----▶	NO
TRAFFIC REDUCTION	←-----▶	POSSIBLE
FUEL CONSUMPTION	←-----▶	NO EFFECT
POLLUTION	←-----▶	NO EFFECT
COST EFFECTIVENESS	←-----▶	VARIABLES
EMERGENCY SERVICES	←-----▶	POSSIBLE PROBLEMS