# ROUNDABOUTS

## DON'T HAVE TO MAKE YOUR HEAD SPIN

### **HOW DO I DRIVE THROUGH A ROUNDABOUT?**



**SLOW DOWN** 

Prepare to yield or stop.



LOOK

Check crosswalks for pedestrians.



#### **YIELD**

Look to your left and yield to vehicles inside the roundabout.



#### STAY RIGHT

Travel to your right to your exit.



Large vehicles can use the truck



apron - the dark gray colored, raised center island - for extra room for their rear wheels when turning.

#### PEDESTRIANS B



Pedestrians should cross one direction of traffic at a time.

- 1. At the crosswalk, look left for traffic before entering the roundabout.
- 2. At the raised splitter island, stop and look right, then finish crossing.

Drivers should check for pedestrians when entering and exiting the roundabout where crosswalks are present.

#### **EMERGENCY VEHICLES**

Always yield to emergency vehicles in the roundabout.

If you have already entered the roundabout, continue to your exit, then pull over and allow emergency vehicles to pass.

Do not stop in the roundabout.



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## **IOWA HAS MORE THAN 100 ROUNDABOUTS. WHY?**

#### **SAFETY**

#### Roundabouts reduce severe crashes.

- Speed and severity of potential crashes are reduced.
- The overall risk of crashes is reduced by 40%.
- The risk of fatal and injury crashes is reduced by 70-80%.
- There has never been a fatal crash at an lowa roundabout.

#### **EFFICIENCY**

#### Roundabouts reduce delays.

- Traffic moves more efficiently during peak traffic times compared to a traffic signal.
- St. Paul Ave and Jay Ave wait times are reduced compared to a stop sign since roundabouts create easier gaps in IA 10 traffic.
- Drivers don't need to wait for traffic signals during less busy times.

#### **VERSATILITY**

#### Roundabouts benefit everyone.

- Raised islands are designed for farm vehicles and semi- and fire trucks.
- Pedestrians only need to cross one direction of traffic at a time.
- Roundabouts are commonly built near schools and recommended by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).



## PROJECT SCHEDULE

Design 2022

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