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Named 2021's Private Sector Professional of the Year by the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals, Dru has more than 25 years of academic and practical transportation planning and operations experience. Her consulting practice focuses on bicycle and pedestrian master planning and capital project development, project evaluation, healthy communities, and safe routes to schools and parks. Her academic background and public sector work in land development, traffic operations, and community planning provides a unique perspective and rich depth of experience that has benefited communities across the country as they decide how to take their next move toward making walking and bicycling viable options for people from one to 100. Dru's clients get built projects, implementable plans, and innovative practices.