Roundabout advantages

Slower and safer

Roundabouts offer a unique opportunity for landscaping that standard intersections do not. The center deflector is a perfect place for flowers, trees, or other aesthetic design features. But most importantly, the center deflector causes traffic to slow down. Slower speeds reduce the severity of crashes and allow drivers and pedestrians more time to react to each other, thus increasing safety. In fact, studies by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety show that roundabouts have:

- 90 percent fewer fatal crashes
- 76 percent less crashes with injury
- 30-40 percent reduction in pedestrian crashes
- 10 percent less bicycle crashes
- Fewer conflict points, meaning fewer opportunities for crashes

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