Active Transportation & Safety
Call for Applications

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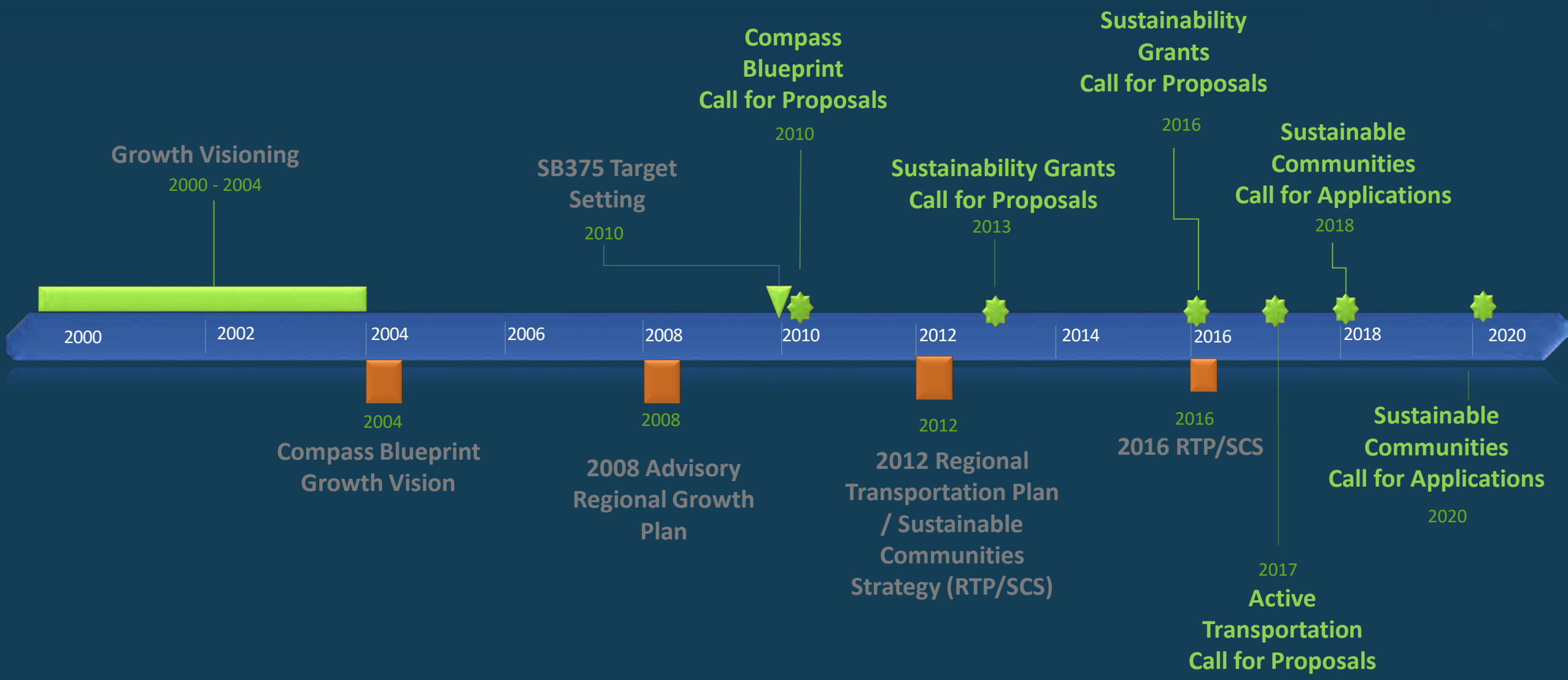
Agenda

1. Welcome & Program Overview
   - *Julia Lippe-Klein, SCAG*
2. SCP Active Transportation & Safety Overview
   - *Cory Wilkerson, Julia Lippe-Klein, SCAG*
3. Community Wide or Area Plans, Active Transportation Focused Plans
   - *Cory Wilkerson, SCAG*
   - *Nathan Mustafa, City of Riverside*
4. Community Wide or Area Plans, Safety Focused Plans
   - *Courtney Aguirre, SCAG*
   - *Rachel Junken, City of Long Beach*
5. Quick Builds and Network Visioning & Implementation Project Types
   - *Hannah Brunelle, SCAG*
   - *Eric Ceja, City of Palm Desert*
6. Q&A Session
   - *Hannah Brunelle, SCAG*

SCAG Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) Timeline



2020/21 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP)

- Supports implementation of the 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), *Connect SoCal*
- Provides **multiple opportunities** to seek funding and resources to meet the needs of communities, address recovery and resiliency strategies considering COVID-19, and support regional goals
  - **Active Transportation & Safety (AT&S) Call for Applications open now**
  - Details and guidelines for subsequent Calls will be released as they become available
- Successful applicants receive technical assistance from SCAG
  - SCAG will complete procurement for the proposed scope of work for the AT&S Call

2020 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP): Program-Wide Goals

- Provide needed **planning resources** to local jurisdictions for **active transportation** and **multimodal planning efforts, sustainability, land use,** and **planning for affordable housing**;
- **Promote, address and ensure health and equity** in regional land use and transportation planning and to **close the gap of racial injustice** and better serve our communities of color;
- Encourage regional planning strategies to **reduce motorized Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)** and **greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions**, particularly in environmental justice communities where there is the highest need for air quality improvements;
- Develop local plans that **support the implementation of key strategies and goals** outlined in Connect SoCal's Sustainable Communities Strategy;

2020 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP): Program-Wide Goals (continued)

- Develop resources that **support the Key Connections** as outlined in Connect SoCal, including Shared Mobility and Mobility as a Service, Smart Cities and Job Centers, Accelerated Electrification, Go Zones, and Housing Supportive Infrastructure;
- **Support a resilient region** that looks to climate adaptation and public health preparedness as key strategies to address community prosperity, transportation safety, economic recovery and sustainability;
- **Increase the region's competitiveness for federal and state funds**, including, but not limited to the California Active Transportation Program and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds.

2020 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP): Equity Approach

- As a key implementation tool for Connect SoCal, SCAG is prioritizing equity across each SCP program area
- Program-wide goals prioritize investments in disadvantaged communities (DACs) and align with SCAG's adopted resolution on race and equity
  - The Active Transportation & Safety (AT&S) Call is pursuing a data-driven outreach approach to encourage DACs to apply
  - AT&S scoring criteria prioritizes community engagement, specifically strategies to engage DACs and other marginalized groups and involve community-based organizations
- For subsequent Calls, SCP will prioritize resources where there is a demonstrated need, guided by the Connect SoCal Goal to support healthy and equitable communities

2020/21 SCP Active Transportation & Safety Goals

- **Prioritize historically disinvested and communities of color**, which comprise the majority of the Regional High Injury Network to **strategically invest resources**;
- Increase the proportion of trips accomplished by biking, walking, and rolling;
- Increase **safety** and **mobility** of people walking, biking, and rolling;
- Continue to foster jurisdictional support and promote **implementation of the goals, objectives, and strategies of Connect SoCal**;
- Seed active transportation concepts and produce plans that provide local agencies with the **project prioritization**, **conceptual renderings**, and **cost estimates** required for future ATP applications;
- Prioritize **alignment and integration of Key Connections outlined in Connect SoCal**, including Shared Mobility and Mobility as a Service, Smart Cities and Job Centers, Accelerated Electrification, Go Zones, and Housing Supportive Infrastructure;
- Integrate **multiple funding streams to increase the overall budget for active transportation** planning and capacity building projects.

SCP Active Transportation & Safety Project Types

Active Transportation & Safety Project Types	
Project Type	**Project Examples**

Community or Area Wide Plans	• Active Transportation Focused Plans (max award $500,000)
	  • City-wide Active Transportation Plan
	• Transportation Safety Focused Plans (max award $250,000)
	  • Vision Zero Action Plan

Quick Build Projects	Interim Capital Improvement Projects (max award $900,000) • Protected bike lanes • Scramble cross-walks • Bulb outs and curb extensions
Network Visioning & Implementation	Network Assessment and Quick Build Implementation (max award $1.25M) • Active Transportation Network Vision Planning • Quick Build Project Implementation

Active Transportation & Safety Example Project Types

Transportation Safety Focused Plans

City-wide Active Transportation Plans

First/Last Mile Plans

Local Road Safety or Safe Systems Plans

Network Visioning & Implementation

Pedestrian Master Plans

Quick Build Projects

Active Transportation & Safety Project Examples

Active Transportation & Safety Eligible Applicants

Agency/Organization	Eligible Applicants
City/County	X
Transit Agency	X
Councils of Government	X
Regional Transportation Planning Agency	X
Public Health Department	X
Natural Resources or Public Land Agency	X
Public School or School District	X
Tribal Government	X
Non-Profit Organization	

Application Submission Process

- Online form application
- Approx. 45-60 mins. to complete, when content has been prepared
- In addition to completing the online form, approx. 8-12 hours of commitment needed

This application has four sections total:

A. **Project Information**
B. **Project Need**
C. **Desired Outcomes**
D. **Partnerships & Engagement**

Please click here to view the scoring criteria for each question. There are indicators throughout the application that correspond to the associated scoring table.

It should take approximately 45-60 minutes to complete the application.

You can save your application at any point by clicking the save button an any page of the application. Please note that an account is not required to save your application, just an email address (a link to your application will be sent to you for you to complete your application).

Application Submission Strategies

- SCP uses ATP funding
- Will consider ATP Cycle 5 submitted applications not selected for funding
- Different scoring criteria
- <u>Consider submitting a SCP application!</u>

Application Scoring Criteria

- Focus Area 1: Project need – 50 points
- Focus Area 2: Desired Project Outcomes – 35 points
- Focus Area 3: Partnerships and Engagement – 15 points

Scoring Criteria	
Focus Area 1: Project Need	50 Points
Mobility Need	15
Safety Benefits	20
Disadvantaged Communities and Public Health	15
Focus Area 2: Desired Project Outcomes	35 Points
Safety Strategies and Scope of Work	5
Public Health Strategies	5
Community Engagement Strategies	5
Project Benefits and Scope of Work	20
Focus Area 3: Partnerships and Engagement	15 Points
Cost Effectiveness	5
Commitments, Partnerships, and Leveraging	10

Application Materials

- Applicants must upload scope of work, budget and timeline on the application form from the template provided

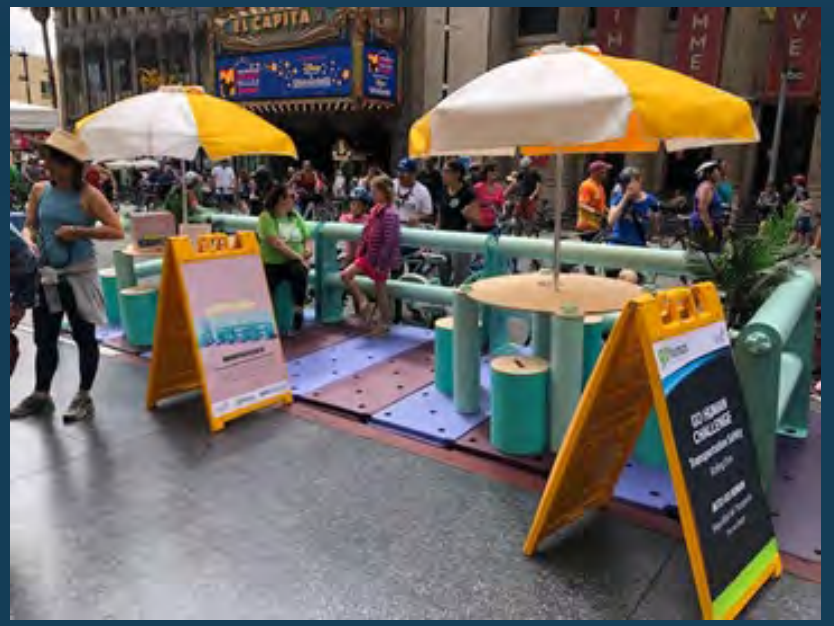
- Scoring rubrics per project type are available on the program website

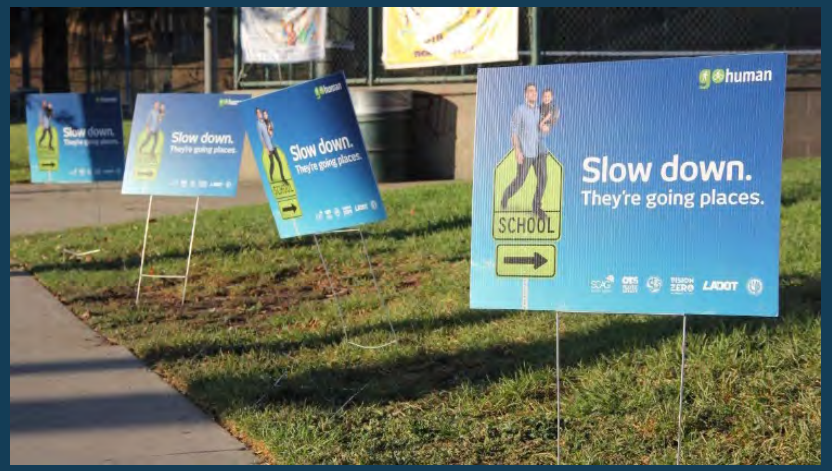
- Template Scopes of Work (SOW)
  - **Applicants must upload the SOW on the application form**
    - Community or Area Wide Plans (.xlsx)
    - Quick Build Projects (.xlsx)
    - Network Visioning & Implementation (.xlsx)

- Scoring Rubrics
  - Community or Wide Area Plans (.pdf)
  - Quick Build Projects (.pdf)
  - Network Visioning & Implementation (.pdf)

Go Human Support

- SCAG encourages applicants to include *Go Human* resources into applications to support community engagement
  - Kit of Parts
  - Co-branding





AT&S Project Types and Example Applications

Community Wide or Area Plans – AT Focused (up to $500,000)

Implement Complete Streets and Active Transportation strategies outlined in Connect SoCal

Projects must:

- Identify priority projects
- Include "Cut Sheets" for priority projects
  - Conceptual renderings that include right of way
  - Engineer Cost Estimates
  - Detailed project descriptions

Example projects include:

- Active Transportation Plans
- Bicycle or Pedestrian Master Plans

Consider including the follow elements:

- Walk or bike audits
- Community-based partnerships
- Temporary demonstration projects

Sustainable Communities Program Projects

Public Works Department

Nathan Mustafa, PE, TE, AICP
City Traffic Engineer
& Mobility Planning Manager

PACT COMPONENTS

Pedestrian Target Safeguarding

- Ensure public areas are safe, secure, functional and visually appealing
- Prevent Vehicular Attacks
- Reduce accidental collision

Active Transportation

- Improve connections for biking and walking
- Prioritize needed improvements
- Identify strategy for constructing improvements

Complete Streets Ordinance

- Create design standards
- Communicate development expectations
- Allows physical improvements to be included in new projects

Trails Master Plan

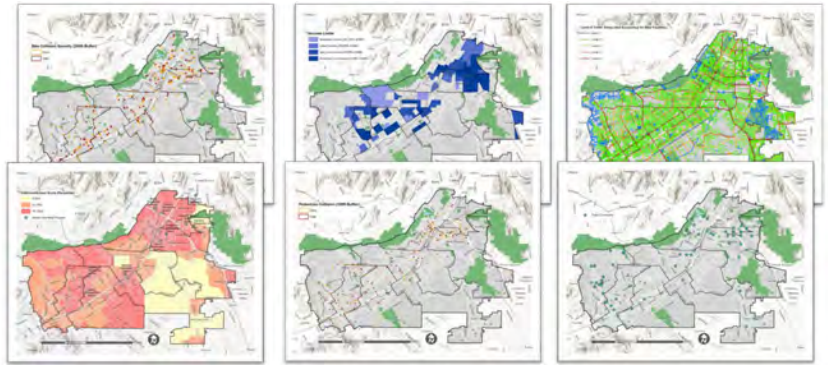
- Create a connected urban and rural trail system
- Evidence the quality of life through recreation and activity
- Invest and expand trails in the future

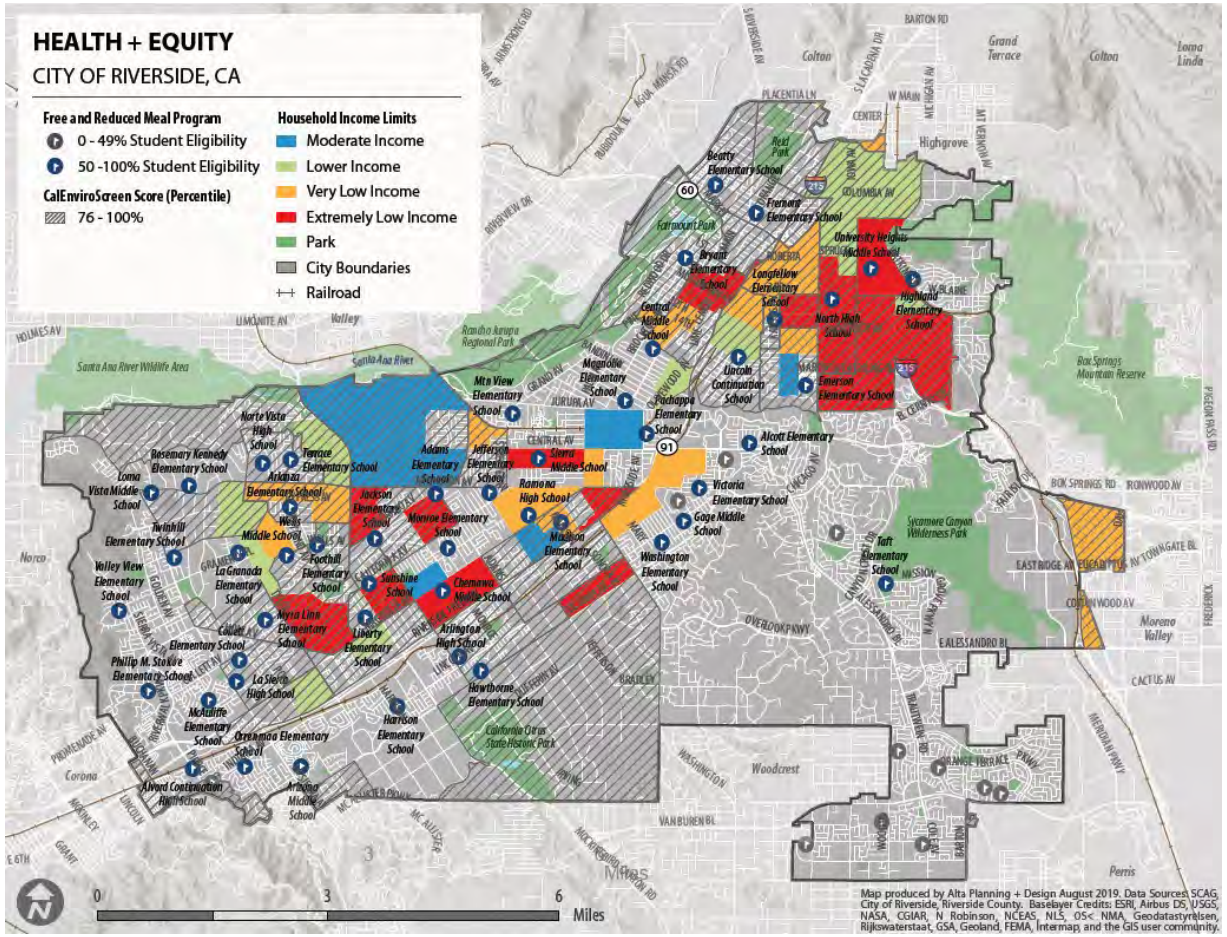
Plan Goals

a) Healthy
b) Accessible
c) Safe
d) Economic Prosperity
e) Environmental Stewardship
f) Socially Responsible

Establishing Priorities

a) Safety
b) Health & Equity
c) Connectivity
d) Public Support
e) Regional Goals



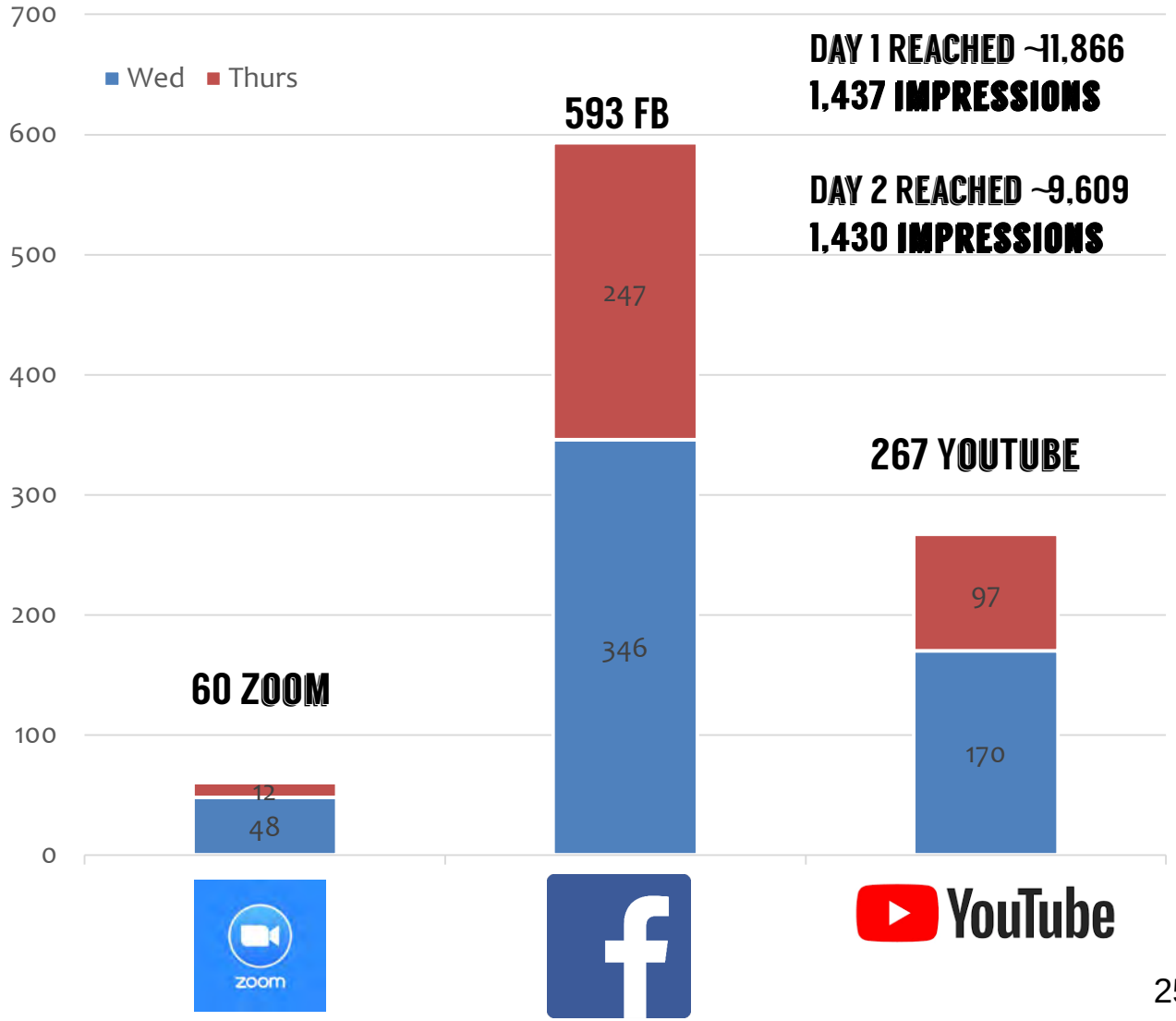


PACT Engagement – Live Webinar

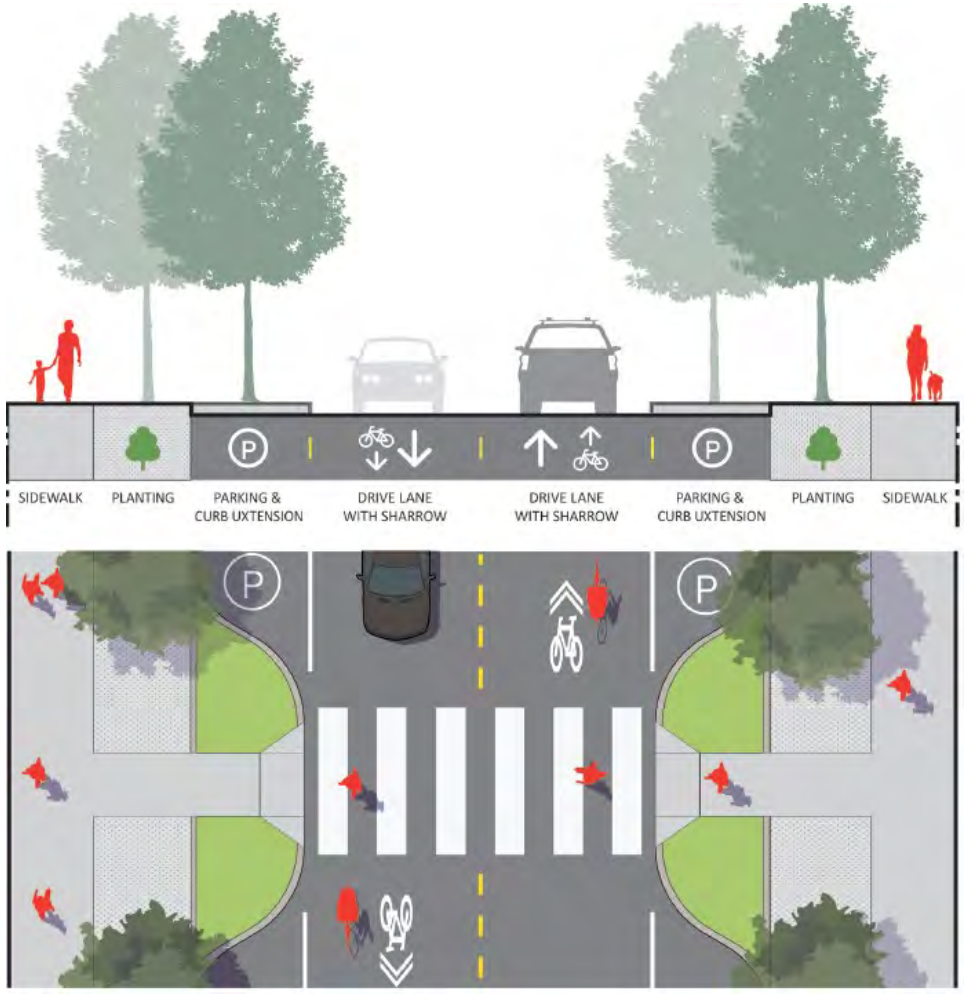
- DAY 1: 564 ACTIVE VIEWERS
- 31 COMMENTS
- 19 SURVEYS
- 16 MAPPING INPUTS
- 247 POLLING RESPONSES

- DAY 2: 356 ACTIVE VIEWERS
- 5 COMMENTS
- 4 SURVEYS
- 6 MAPPING INPUTS
- 38 POLLING REPONSES

- ALSO BROADCASTED LIVE ON RIVTV



Integrating Plan Components



Integration with the Trails Network

The existing trail heads, trail crossings, and proposed primary trails within the City of Riverside were reviewed when developing the bike recommendations and pedestrian recommendations as shown in Figure 28. One of the goals of this Plan is to create on-street connections from bike facilities to trail facilities for a truly connected transportation and recreation network. The major trail networks within the City include:

- Santa Ana River Trail
- Victoria Ave
- Gage Canal
- La Sierra Hills

Each of these areas/trails within the city were analyzed for trail connectivity and trail access from the proposed on-street network.

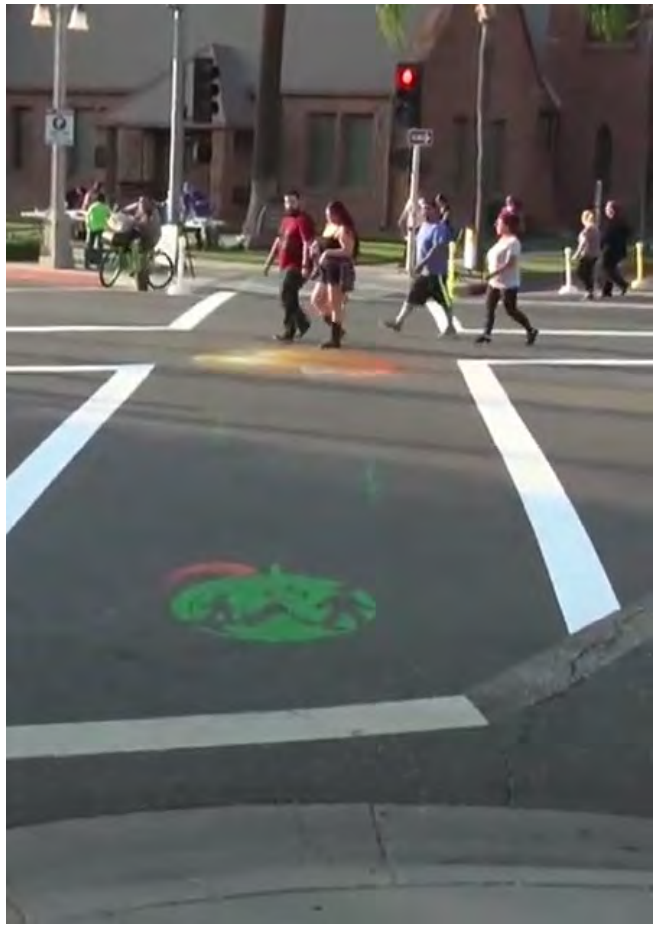
GAGE CANAL

- 3 - Class II Bike Lanes and
- 1 - Class IV Protected Bike Lane
- 1 - Pedestrian Improvement

LA SIERRA HILLS

- 2 - Class II Bike Lanes
- 1 - Class III Bike Boulevard Connections
- 1 - Pedestrian Improvement

Go Human In Riverside



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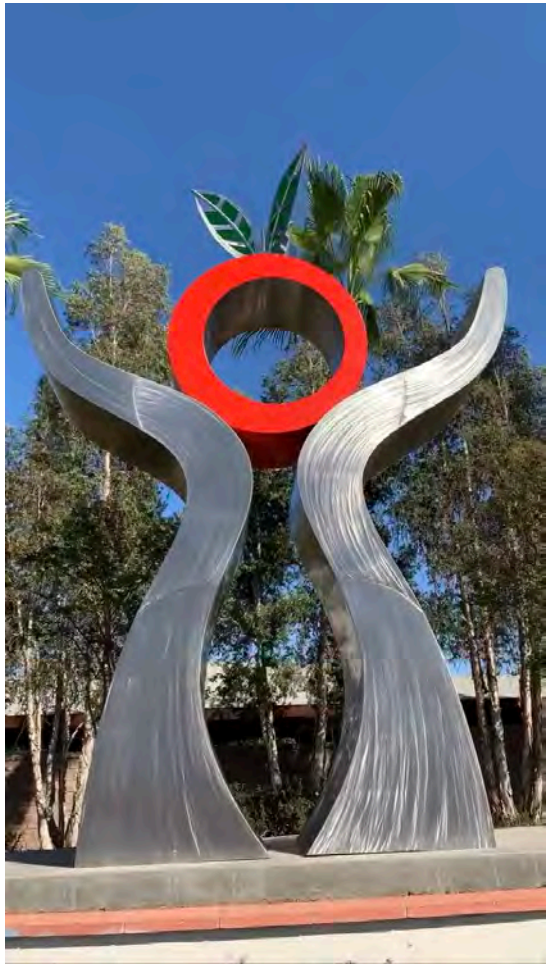
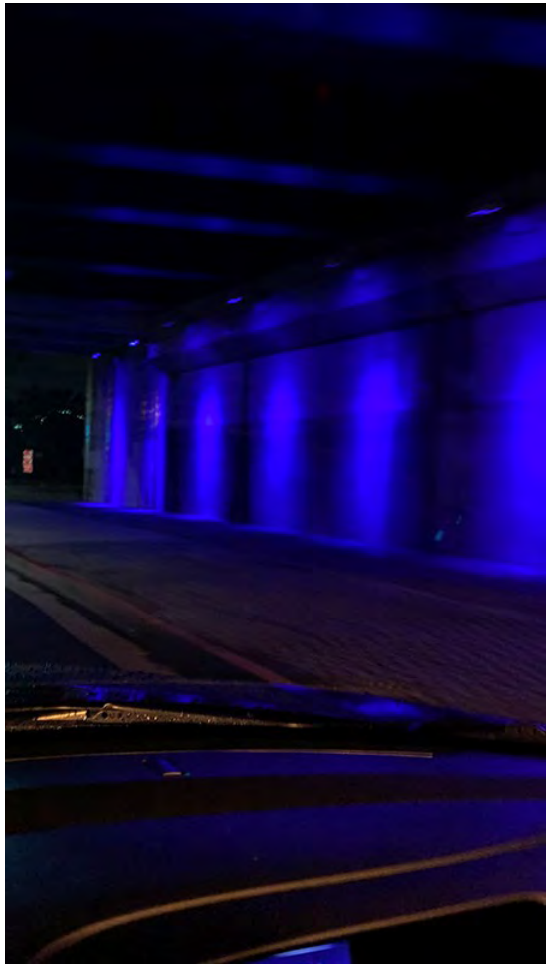




Community Wide or Area Plans – Safety Focused (up to $250,000)

Improve safety for vulnerable road users & result in fewer fatalities and serious injuries

Projects must:
- Include identification of High Injury Network or Hot Spots
- Identify priority projects, including one that becomes the subject of a grant application

Example projects include:
- Safe Routes Plans (e.g., schools, seniors, parks, first/last mile)
- Vision Zero, Safety Systems, or Local Road Safety Plans
- Complete Streets Safety Assessments

Consider including the follow elements:
- Walk or bike audits
- Media campaigns
- Temporary demonstration projects

Safe Streets Long Beach Action Plan

October 7, 2020

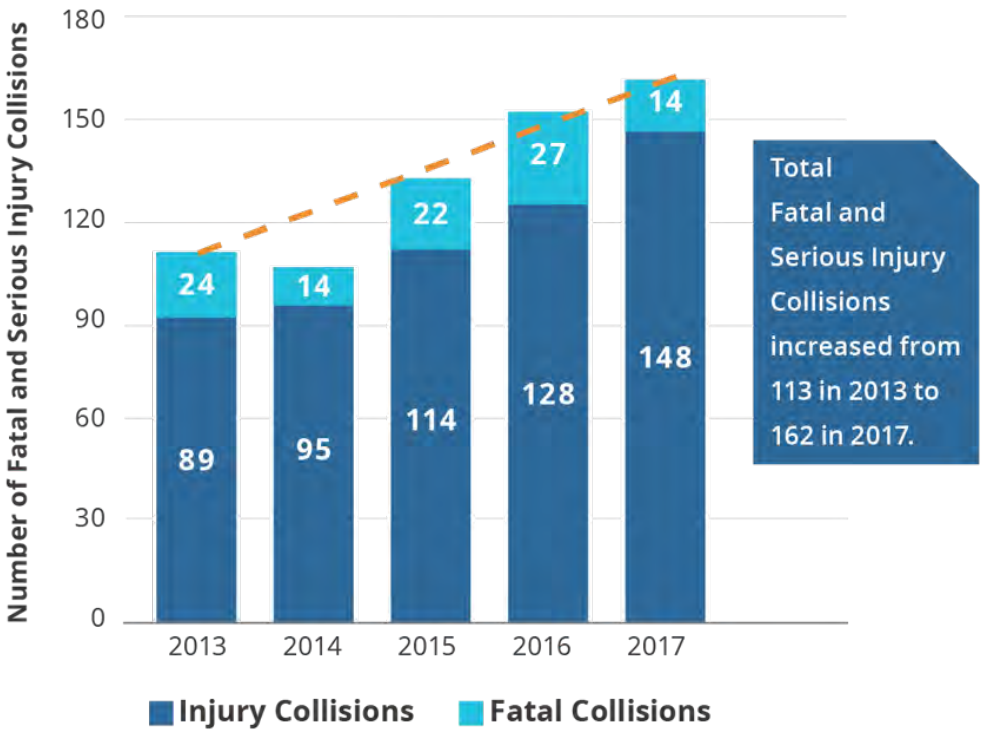
Rachel Junken, Transportation Planner II

Safe Streets Long Beach - Background

Background

- In September 2016, LB City Council approved a Vision Zero policy with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries among all road users by 2026.
- Staff utilized an SSARP grant in 2018 to conduct a five-year collision analysis to reveal who is at risk, where severe collisions are happening, and what crash types are most common
- Project team: Toole, Here LA, and Kittleson
- Recommendations include – Increased funding, advocating state-level policy changes, design, education, and enforcement.
- Action Plan adopted by City Council in July 2020

Figure 1. Total Fatal and Serious Injury Collisions in Long Beach (2013 - 2017)



Safe Streets Long Beach - Outreach

Pop Ups and Listening Sessions

Safe Streets Long Beach – Technical Advisory Committee

- **City of Long Beach**
  - Long Beach Police Department
  - Long Beach Fire Department
  - Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services
  - Long Beach Department of Development Services
  - Long Beach Department of Economic and Property Development
  - Port of Long Beach

- **External Agencies**
  - Long Beach Transit
  - Long Beach Unified School District
  - Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

- **Advocacy and Non-Profit Groups**
  - Long Beach Gray Panthers
  - Walk Long Beach
  - Walk Bike Long Beach
  - Bikeable Communities

LONGBEACH DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

LONG BEACH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

WALK BIKE LONG BEACH

long beach unified school district

WALK LONG BEACH

LONG BEACH GRAY PANTHERS

BIKEABLE COMMUNITIES

EPD ECONOMIC & PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Metro

Safe Streets Long Beach - Organizing the Document

Elements of the Plan

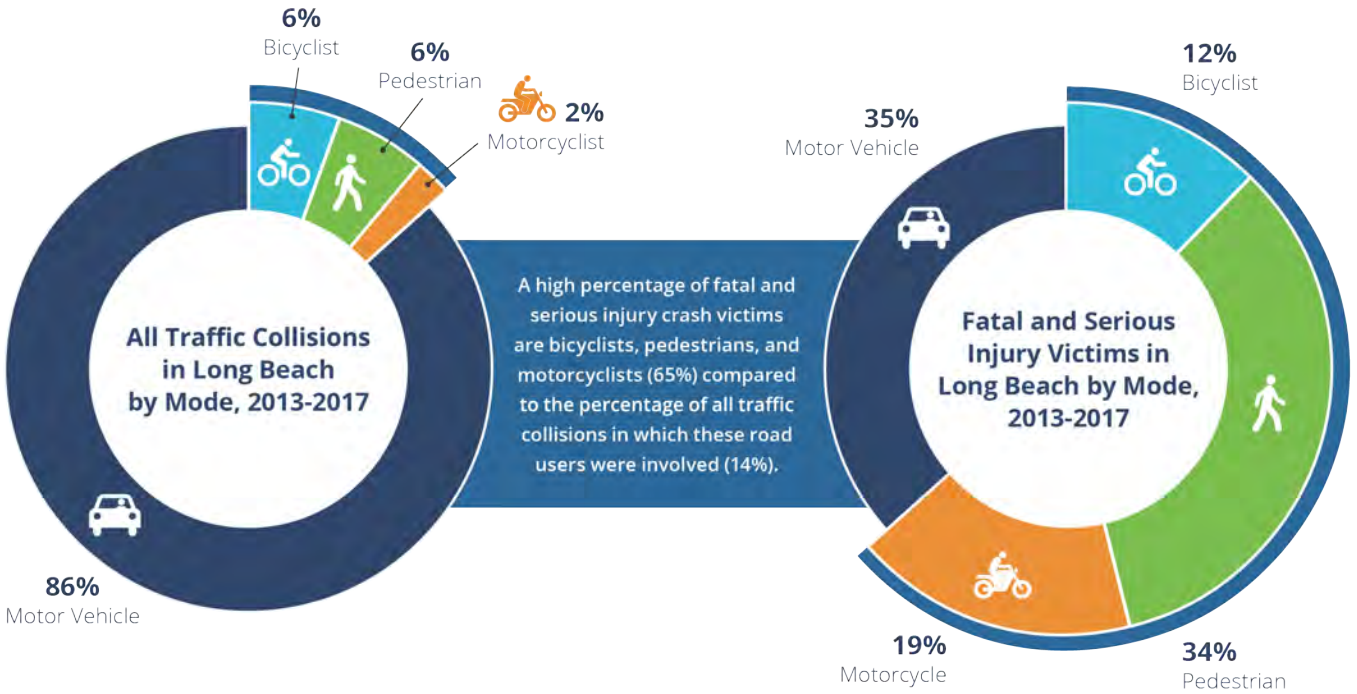
- Letter from Mayor or City Manager
- Data and identification of the problem
- High-injury network
- Case studies
- Actions and recommendations
    - Specific infrastructure projects
- Also to consider:
    - Photos
    - Dedication page
    - Naming your plan

Safe Streets Long Beach - Findings

Who is involved in severe crashes?

- The Action Plan focuses on vulnerable road users – active transportation users, older adults, children and people with disabilities
- Bicyclists, pedestrians and motorcyclists make up on 14% of all collisions but 65% of severe collisions

Figure 2. All Traffic Collisions Compared to Fatal and Serious Injury Collisions



People Walking, Biking and Riding Motorcycles are More Likely to be Killed or Seriously Injured

Safe Streets Long Beach – Case Studies

Show Examples of Best Practices in Your City or Others

Safe Streets Long Beach - Findings

Where are collisions happening?

- Separated high injury corridors and intersections motorized and non-motorized
- Concentration of high-injury corridors in Central/Downtown Long Beach
- 73% of high-injury corridors and 83% of intersections are in disadvantaged communities
- Useful metric: "X percent of crashes happen on X percent of the roadway"

Safe Streets Long Beach - Recommendations

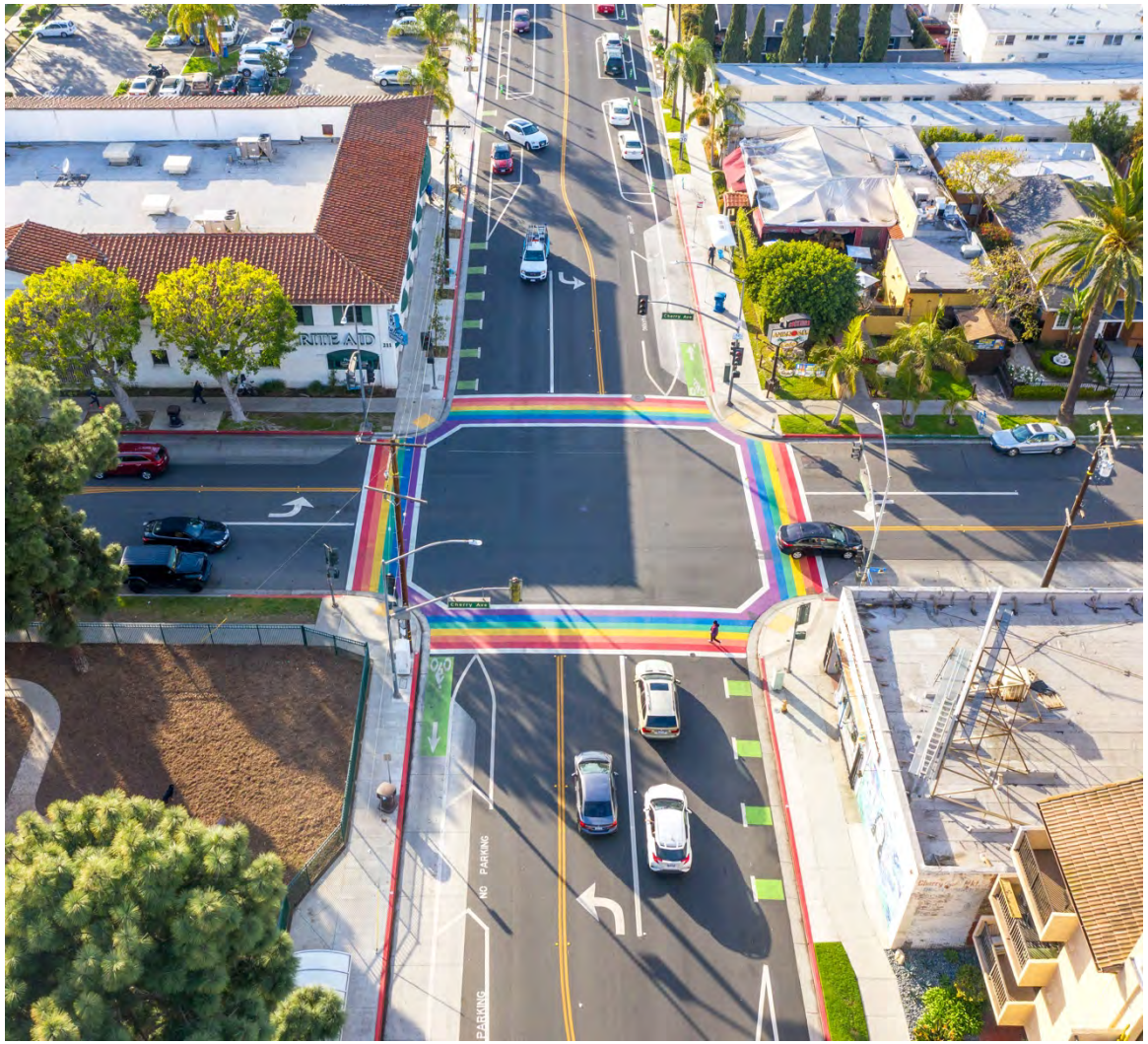
Keystone Actions

1. Dedicate Resources to the Safe Streets LB effort
2. Address Speeding
3. Build Best Practice Street Design
4. More Safety Education about Walking and Biking
5. Collect Better Data to Make Better Decisions
6. Prioritize Road Safety Investments through an Equity Lens
7. Partner with Local, Regional and State Stakeholders to Support Safe Streets Efforts

Safe Streets Long Beach – Lessons Learned

Lessons Learned

- Assemble an engaged TAC that meets frequently
- Ensure traffic safety is not conflated with anti-car sentiment
- Engagement is necessary but challenging with a data-driven plan
- Discuss enforcement-related recommendations with TAC early on
- Clearly define how 'business as usual' will change
- Build in accountability within the plan - phases, goals per year, updates to Council



Thank you

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Quick Build Projects (up to $900,000)

Test infrastructure designs and engage the community before committing to a permanent solution.

Projects must:

- Help local agencies refine designs
- Engage the local community
- Collect data and increase competitiveness for grant funding
- Have completed a local active transportation plan with robust community engagement

Example project include:

- Pedestrian improvements (crosswalks, flashing beacons)
- Separated bike lanes

Additional considerations:

- Projects can be implemented between one – three years and include robust evaluation
- Projects are intended to have design flexibility to anticipate adjustments from community feedback or design challenges

Examples: Quick Builds

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San Pablo Avenue
Streetscape Improvements

San Pablo Avenue
Streetscape Improvements
City of Palm Desert
October 7-8, 2020

SAN PABLO AVENUE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

The San Pablo Corridor connects the El Paseo/Highway 111 downtown district to the Civic Center at Fred Waring to create a unified City Center -- the nucleus for commercial, civic and cultural life in Palm Desert.

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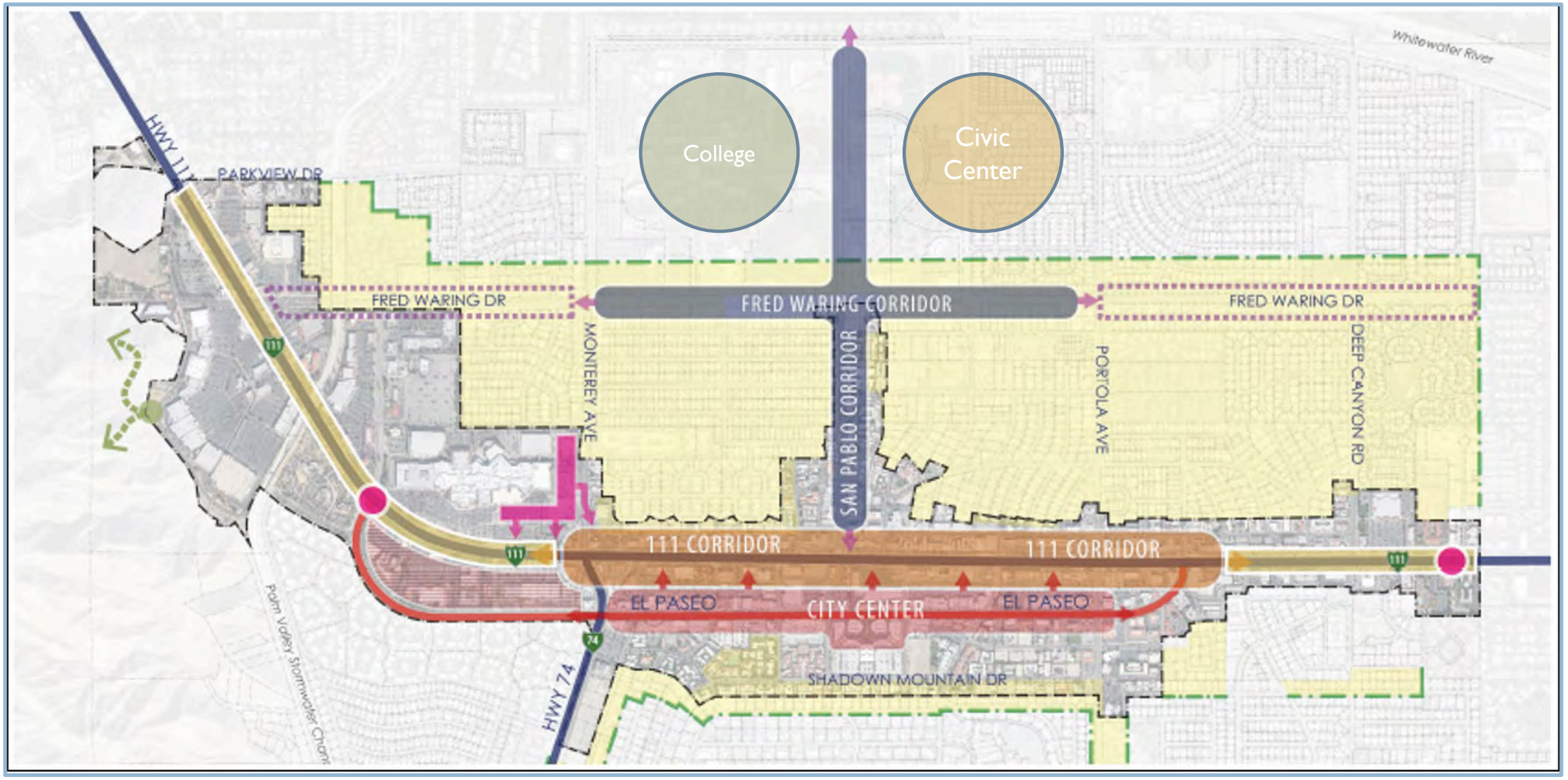

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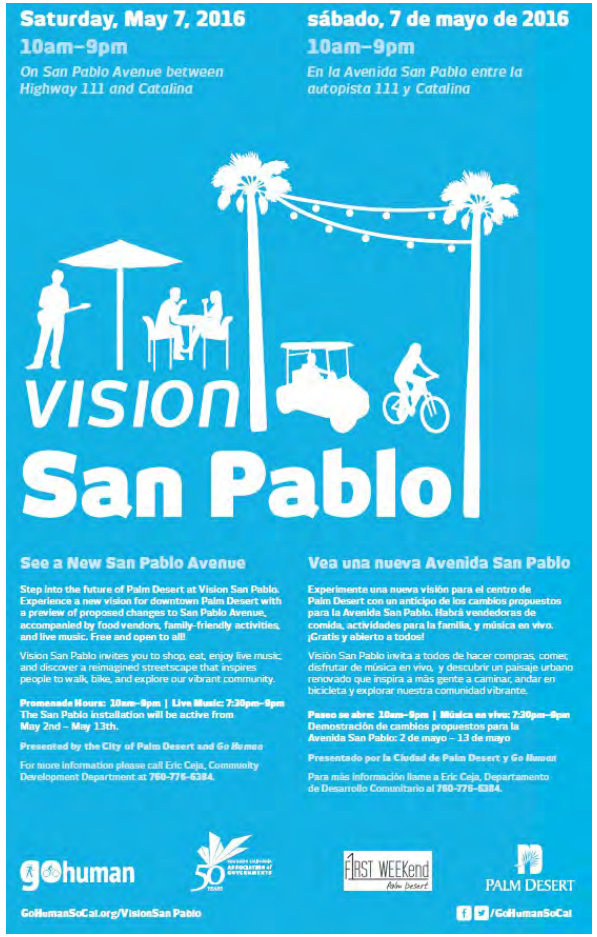
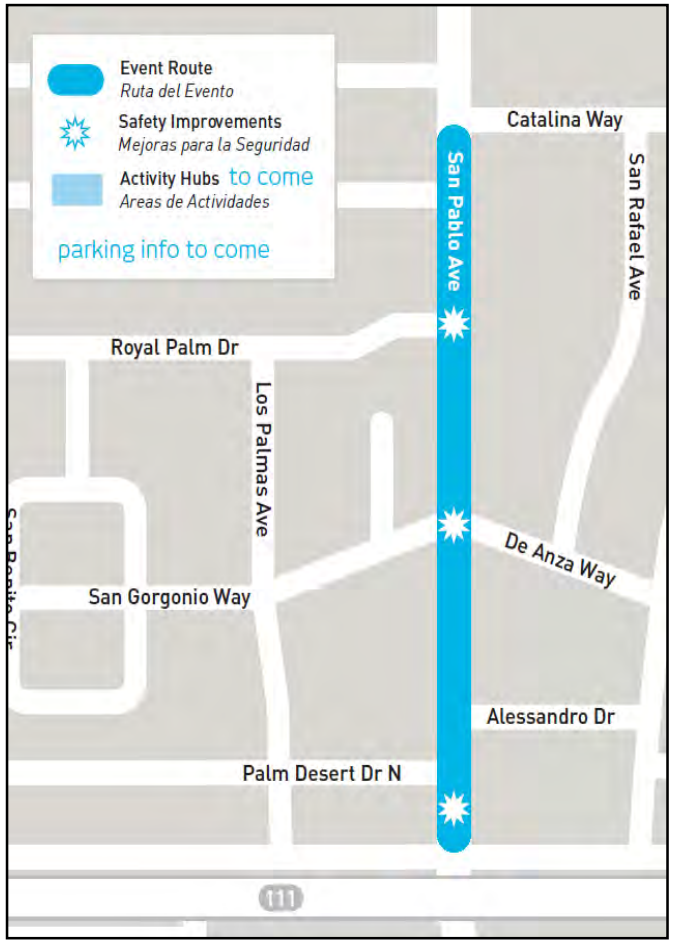
- **Vision San Pablo**

- **SCAG sponsored "Active Transportation Demonstration"**

- **10-Day "road-diet" demonstration**

- **1-day Community Event – May 7th, 2016**
  - **Positive Feedback + Support**
    - 145 surveys
    - 90% Support "Vision"
    - 96.5% Support bike lanes
    - 83% Support round-a-bouts
    - 65 comments related to "unsafe" drivers





SCAG: GO HUMAN CAMPAIGN

It's not just a sign.

Look for her before you turn.

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Southern California Association of Governments

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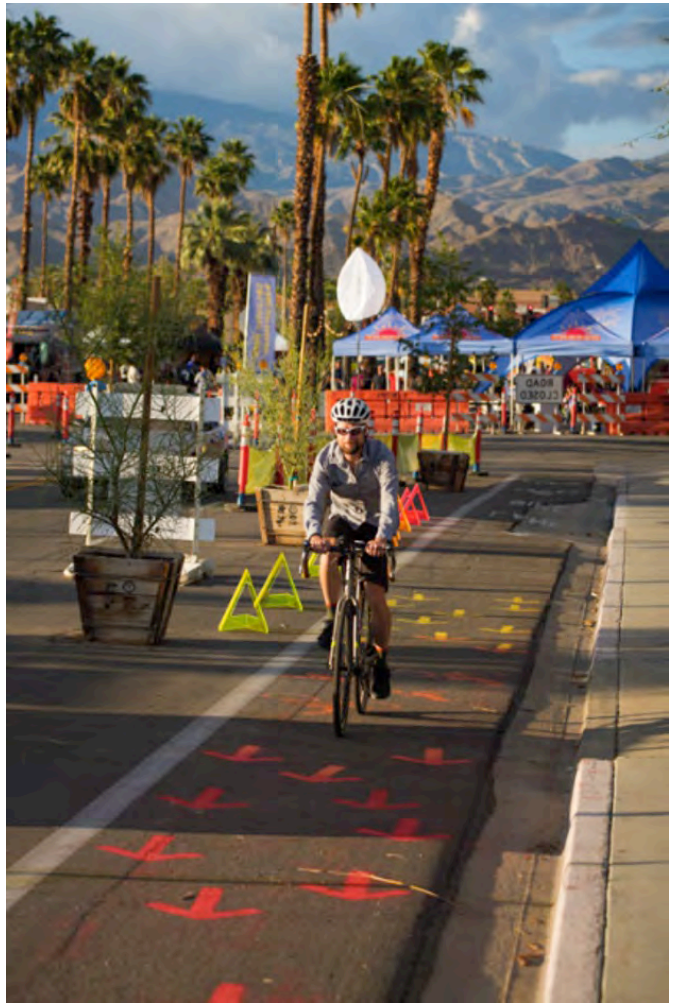

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- **Vision San Pablo**
  - Vision San Pablo Demonstration (2016)
  - Developed an internal working team (2016-2019)
  - Council approved Design Contract (2016)
  - Council accepts Preliminary Design (2017)
  - Council accepts Final Design (2018)
  - Construction Contract Awarded (Jan. 2019)
  - Council host Ground Breaking Ceremony (April 2019)
  - San Pablo Phase 1 improvement complete June 2020
  - San Pablo Phase 2 ground Breaking October 2020

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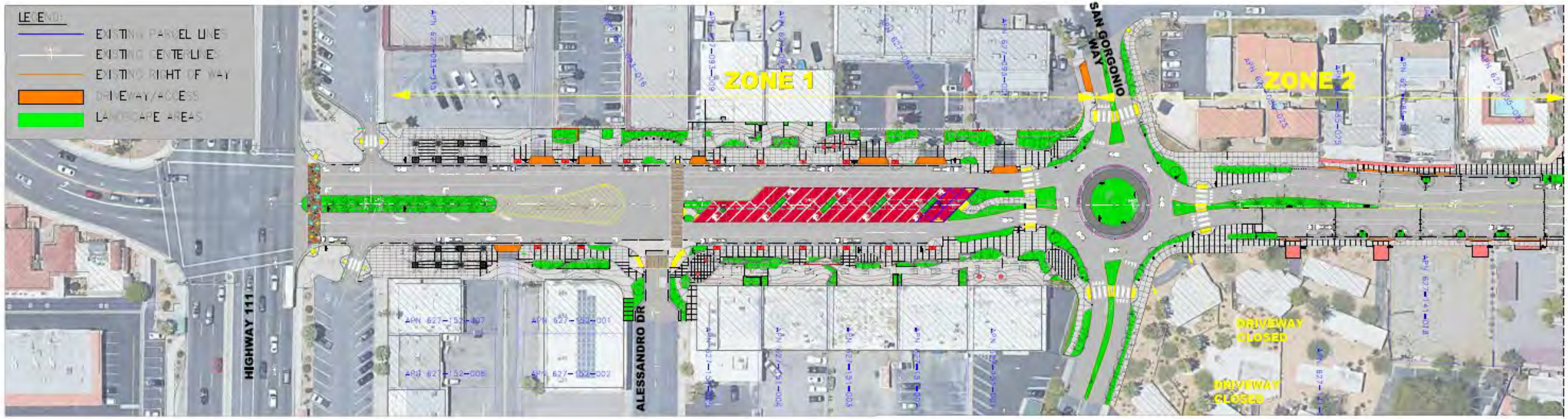

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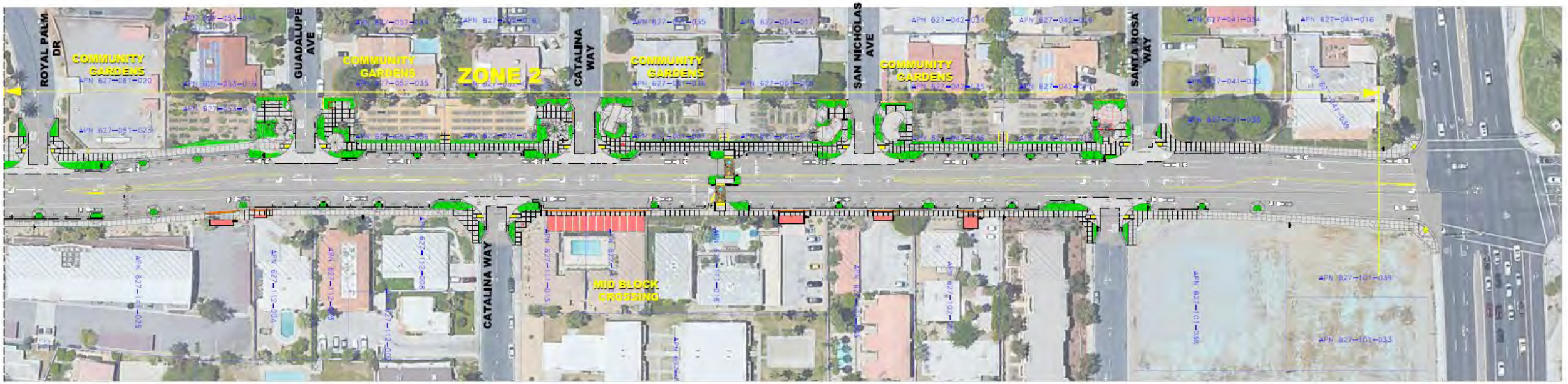

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WHAT'S NEXT?

CVAG
CV LINK
CONNECTING THE COACHELLA VALLEY
CV LINK BIKEWAY & ELECTRIC VEHICLE PATH
Project Funded By:
Desert Healthcare District/Foundation
South Coast Air Quality Management District
Measure A
Expected Completion: Spring 2021
PALM DESERT

Fred Waring Dr. to Magnesia Falls Dr.
Phase 2
San Pablo Avenue
Streetscape Improvements

THANK YOU!

San Pablo Avenue
Streetscape Improvements

- Palm Desert City Council
- Palm Desert Planning Commission
- Lauri Aylaian
- Andy Firestine
- Tom Garcia
- Martin Alvarez
- Robert Becerra
- Randy Bowman
- Randy Chavez
- Brad Chuck
- Alfredo Contreras
- Mark Diercks
- Ed Gallardo
- Miguel Garcia
- Cora Gaugush
- Ryan Gayler
- Deborah Glickman
- Nick Gomez
- Bertha Gonzalez
- David Hermann
- Diane Hollinger
- Heather Horning
- Amy Lawrence
- Joel Montalvo
- Thomas Soule
- Ryan Stendell
- RivCo Sheriff

- Dokken Engineering
- Granite Construction Company
- Leighton Consulting
- Southstar Engineering

Network Visioning & Implementation (up to $1.25M)

Position local agencies to install targeted, complete, and low stress networks.

Project elements include:

- Evaluation of existing network performance including gaps, high-stress segments, short trips and regional connectivity assessment
- Demonstrate the return on investment from complete network build out
- Development of a framework to identify level of stress and a targeted, phased implementation strategy
- Implementation of a quick build project targeting stressful segment

Additional components:

- Projects must include analysis of existing network, return on investment assessment, facility design, education and advertising, and implementation of a quick build project
- Quick build projects implemented between one – three years, design flexibility to anticipate adjustments
- Highlight the return on investment and economic benefit of active transportation networks

Active Transportation & Safety Schedule

Call for Applications Opens	**September 8, 2020**
Application Workshops	October 7, 2020 October 21, 2020
Application Deadline	**November 13, 2020**
Regional Council Approval of 2020 SCP Projects	May 2021
California Transportation Commission Approval of ATP Projects	June 2021
Projects Begin	2021-2022

Additional Resources & Upcoming Webinars

- Program Fact Sheet
- Program Toolkit
- One-to-One Application Coaching
- Additional Webinar Option:
  - Wed. October 21, 10 a.m. - noon

Question & Answer Session

- SCAG Staff
  - Julia Lippe-Klein
  - Cory Wilkerson
  - Hannah Brunelle
  - Courtney Aguirre

- Guest Panelists
  - Nathan Mustafa, City of Riverside
  - Rachel Junken, City of Long Beach
  - Eric Ceja, City of Palm Desert

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