

Leveraging Funding, Leveraging Equity, Leveraging Baltimore



# Today's Agenda





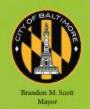


## **Complete Streets**



# **BALTIMORE**

# COMPLETE STREETS



FINAL | March 2021



Equity	Equity assessment of geographic area	2
Infrastructure Condition	Condition of the current infrastructure	1
Economic Development Potential	Potential economic development resultant from infrastructure investment	1
Safety	How well projects/roadways in the area align with the TowardZERO Baltimore Initiative and have the potential to address safety issues	1
Existing or Planned Work by Other Departments	Potential to leverage/ combine resources from projects being planned or constructed by other departments	1
Transit Dependency and Commute Times	Transit dependency of the population in the geographic area. Consider average commute times and the potential for projects in this area to improve commute times.	1

**Description** 

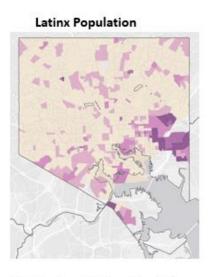
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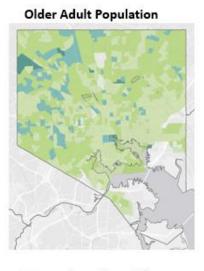
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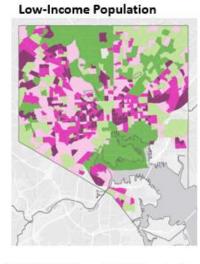


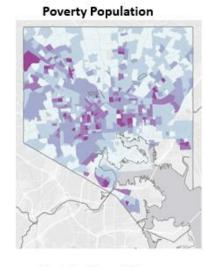
# **Equity Focused**

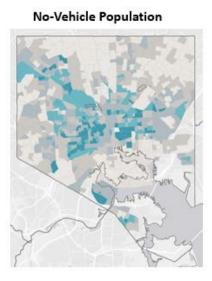
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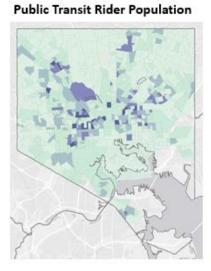


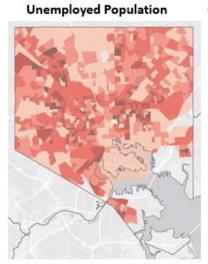


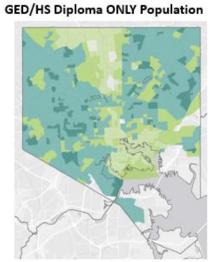


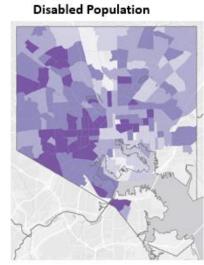














# **Equity Focused project Prioritization**

#### **Impact Investment Areas**



Boundaries -Neighborhoods



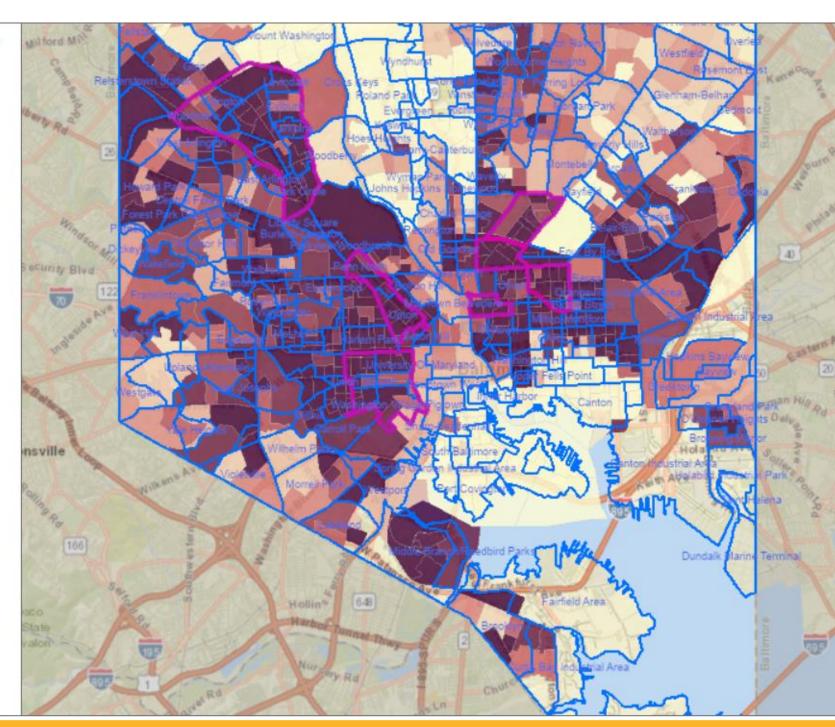
#### **EquityCompositeScores**



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**Baltimore Mask** 

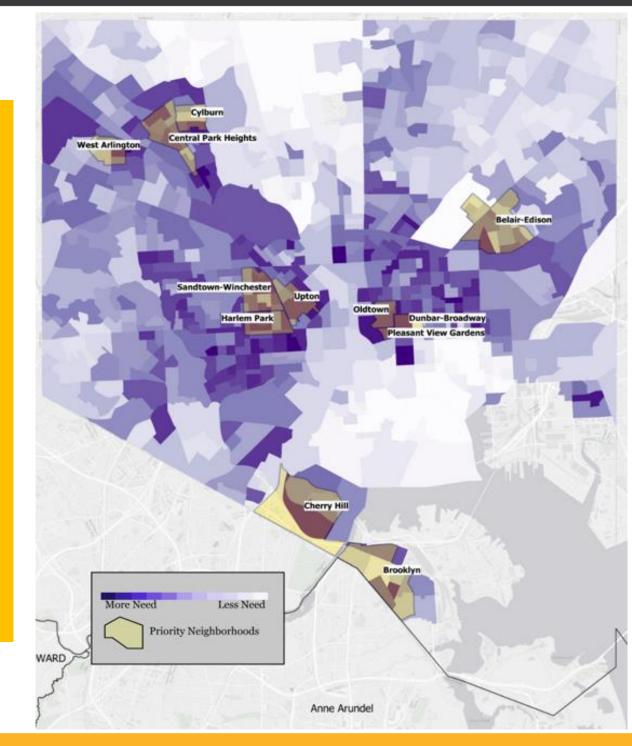




# Transit Priority Equity Zones

#### **Primary Goals**

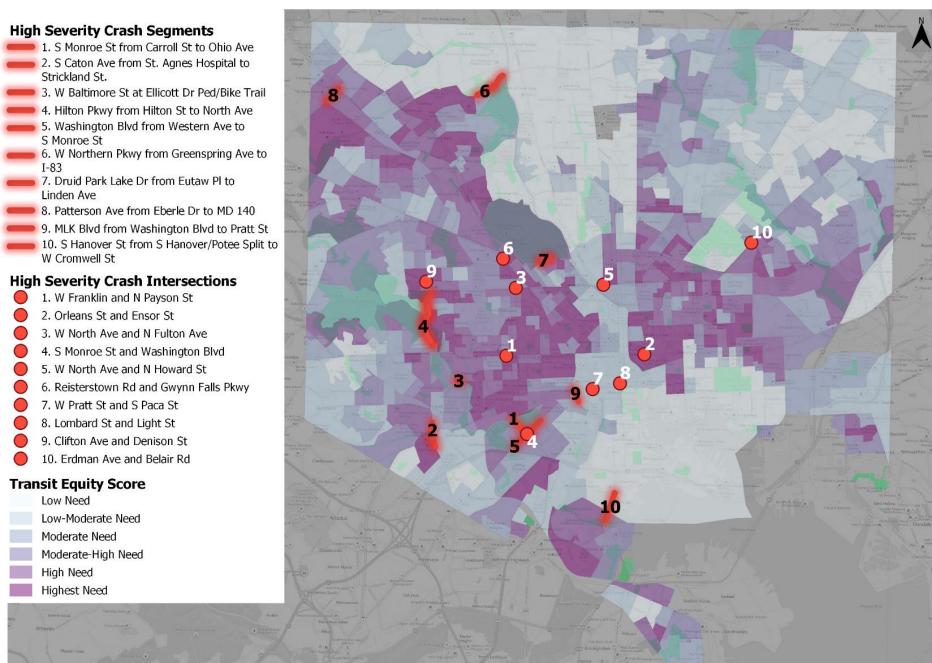
- Reduce the cost of transit
- Improve user experience of the transit system
- Improve transit route efficiency
- Improve first and last mile connections in Priority Equity Zones (PEZs) and to major employers and training centers.
- Improve transit access to less central and less connected job sites and jobs with alternative work schedules such as warehouses or suburban employment hubs.
- Create more living wage job opportunities in Baltimore that don't require a college degree
- Improve regional coordination to promote transit equity







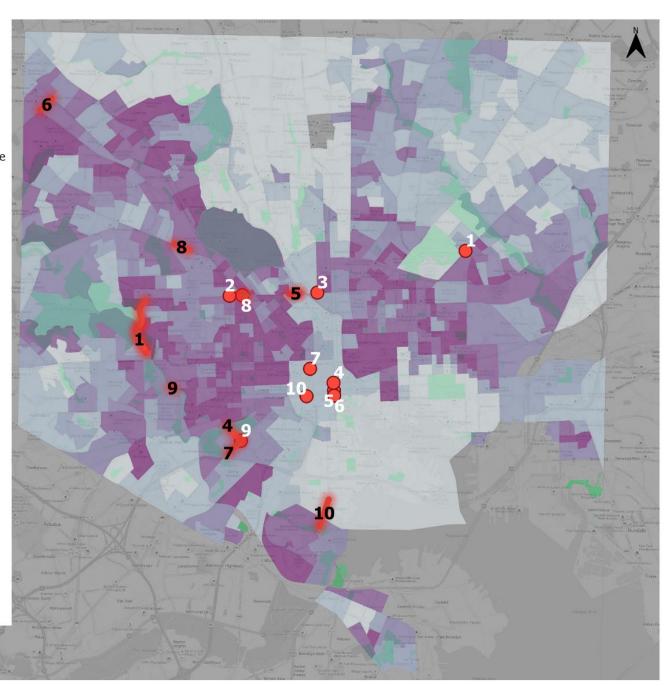
# **Strategic Highway Safety Plan**





## Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety Priorities

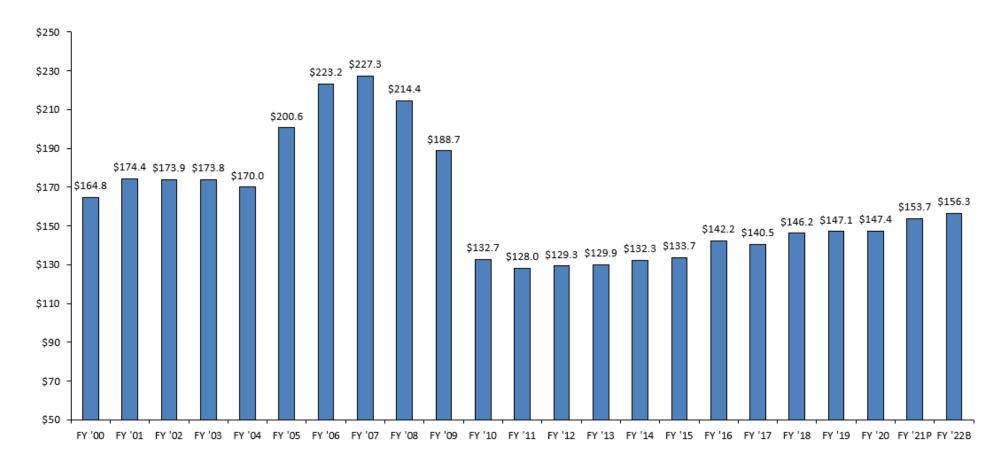






# **Historic Funding Levels**

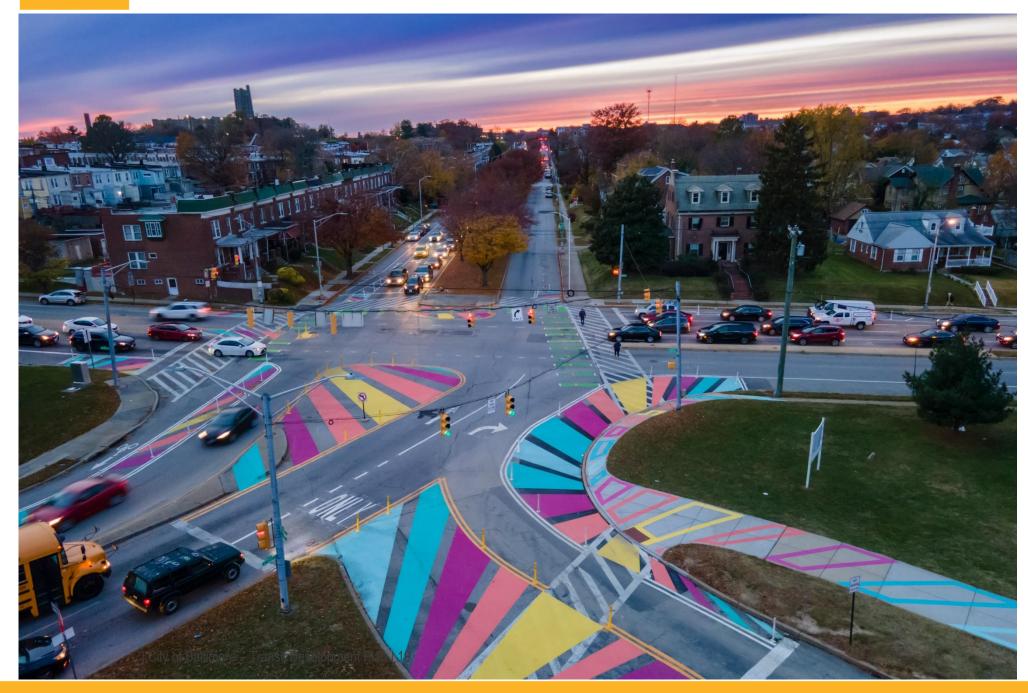
#### State Highway User Revenues (Dollars in Millions)





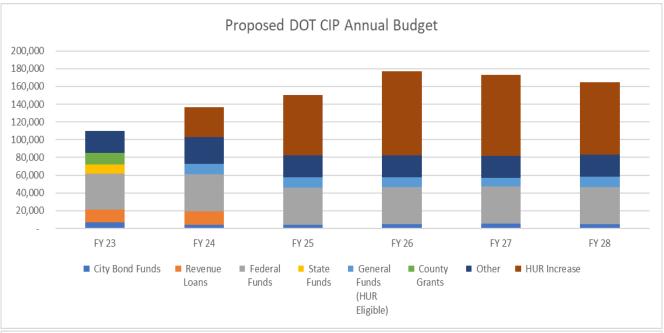


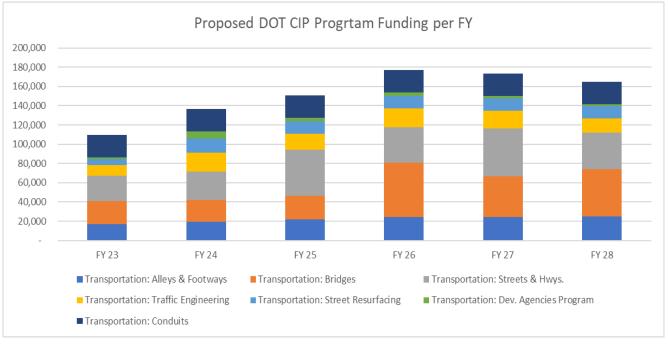
# **Quick Build**





# **Capital Programming**









# **Federal Discretionary Grant Pursuits**

<b>Grant Program</b>	Project	Type of Project	Year
RAISE Grant	Multimodal accessibility improvements at Penn Station	Implementation	FY 23 +
Scenic Byways	Downtown ADA	Implementation	FY 23-24
Safe Routes to School	Cecil Elementary	Implementation	FY 23-24
Safe Routes to School	MLK Boulevard Complete Street	Implementation	FY 23-24
Reconnecting Communities	Redevelopment of the Highway to Nowhere	Feasibility/ Planning	FY 23-25
Safe Streets For All Grant	Highway Safety Plan	Action Plan	FY 23-24
Ferry Service Grant	ADA Improvements at Harbor Connector Piers	Implementation	FY 23-26
Transit ADA	Railroad Crossings Safety Improvements at Warner St	Implementation	FY 23-26
PROTECT Grant	Pavement Removal and SWM	Implementation	FY 23-26



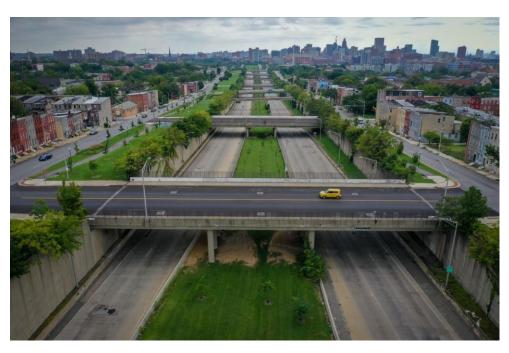
# Federal Discretionary Grants – Some Targets

Grant Program	Project	Type of project	Year
SMART Grant	Signal Modernization / TSMO	Implementation	FY 24
All Stations Accessibility Grant	Transit Corridor ADA Improvements	Implementation	FY 24/25
MEGA Grant	VVM Bridge / Hanover Street Corridor	Planning/ Implementation	FY 24-26
Transportation Alternatives	Greenway Trail Network	Implementation	FY 24-26
Reconnecting Communities	Druid Park Lake Drive	Design/Implementation	FY 24/25
Safe Streets for All	Implementation of Highway Safety Plan / Complete Streets	Implementation	FY 24-26
Bridge Investment	I-83 Refurbishment / Reservoir Bridge Improvements	Implementation	FY 24-26
Safe Routes to School	Refurbish Safety City / Local Improvements	Implementation	FY 24-26
Transportation Alternatives	Harford Road & Old Town Mall	Implementation	FY 25
Low Emission Ferry Grant	Harbor Connector Boat Replacement / Fleet Expansion	Implementation	FY 25
PROTECT Grant	Flood Mitigation / Climate Adaption / Emergency Evacuation Systems	Planning/Implementation	FY 25-26
INFRA Grant	Freight Route Improvements	Planning/ Implementation	FY 26
MEGA Grant	Harbor Pier Refurbishment	Planning/ Implementation	FY 26



## **Reconnecting Communities**

Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program will restore community connectivity by removing, retrofitting, or mitigating highways or other transportation facilities that create barriers to community connectivity, including to mobility, access, or economic development.







# Baltimore City's Application for the Highway to Nowhere:

- The Baltimore City Department of Transportation (BCDOT) is leading the grant pursuit in partnership with the Baltimore City Department of Planning, Baltimore Development Corporation, and Maryland Transit Administration.
- The US Department of Transportation will become engaged should we be successful in winning this grant.
- Public participation is a primary goal, and we will continue to engage with community members through a Stakeholder Advisory Committee, posting up to date project information online, and frequent public meetings throughout the planning process.

# How this study differs from other studies:

- This grant pursuit is seeking federal assistance to advance planning studies already completed.
- With additional funding, we can refine our project goals with community input, advance earlier planning studies to complete a more technical assessment, develop new design scenarios with public input, and provide more accurate information to develop detailed design plans that lead to construction.
- This study will also identify financing strategies to ensure project implementation is feasible both from a constructability perspective and a financing perspective.



### We've already heard from Stakeholders:

- Build infill development and reconnect the community
- Make complete streets with improved transit
- Have higher density transit-oriented development at the ends
- Provide more greening and usable open space
- Avoid displacement and focus improvements to help existing residents
- Reflect and honor the area's history and culture
- Improve access to opportunities for existing residents
- Repair the historic fabric
- Include the Red Line

our performance measures for project success

These goals will inform





### Scope of Work for a Planning & Feasibility Study (about \$3M):

- Robust and Multi-faceted Stakeholder Engagement
- Topographic survey with metes and bounds
- Utility designations
- Infrastructure asset inventory and conditions assessment
- Environmental Inventory
- Traffic Analysis
- Market Analysis
- Purpose and Need Statement / Establish Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
- Conceptual Scenario Planning
- Assess Scenario Performances
- Financing Strategy
- Recommend Phasing and Next Steps

The Reconnecting West
Baltimore Study will be
different focusing on more
technical Feasibility and
Implementation Planning





#### Additional benefits we hope to add with this study:

- Interim Community Enhancements and Traffic Safety Improvements
- Public Art
- Community Social Events
- Fellowship positions with local Universities
- Internships and apprenticeships for local residents
- Historic Interpretation and Documentation





#### Anticipated Next Steps for Future Grant-Funded or P3 Efforts

- Continued Stakeholder Engagement and Community Activities
- Establish 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Management Entity
- Design Competition or Design Build
- Project Financing Plan / P3
- Environmental Review / NEPA Analysis / Regulatory Approvals
- Design and Engineering
- Phased Construction of New Development







# **Questions?**

