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CITY OF BERKELEY PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN

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Agenda

Plan Overview

Public Engagement

Components of the Plan

Next Steps

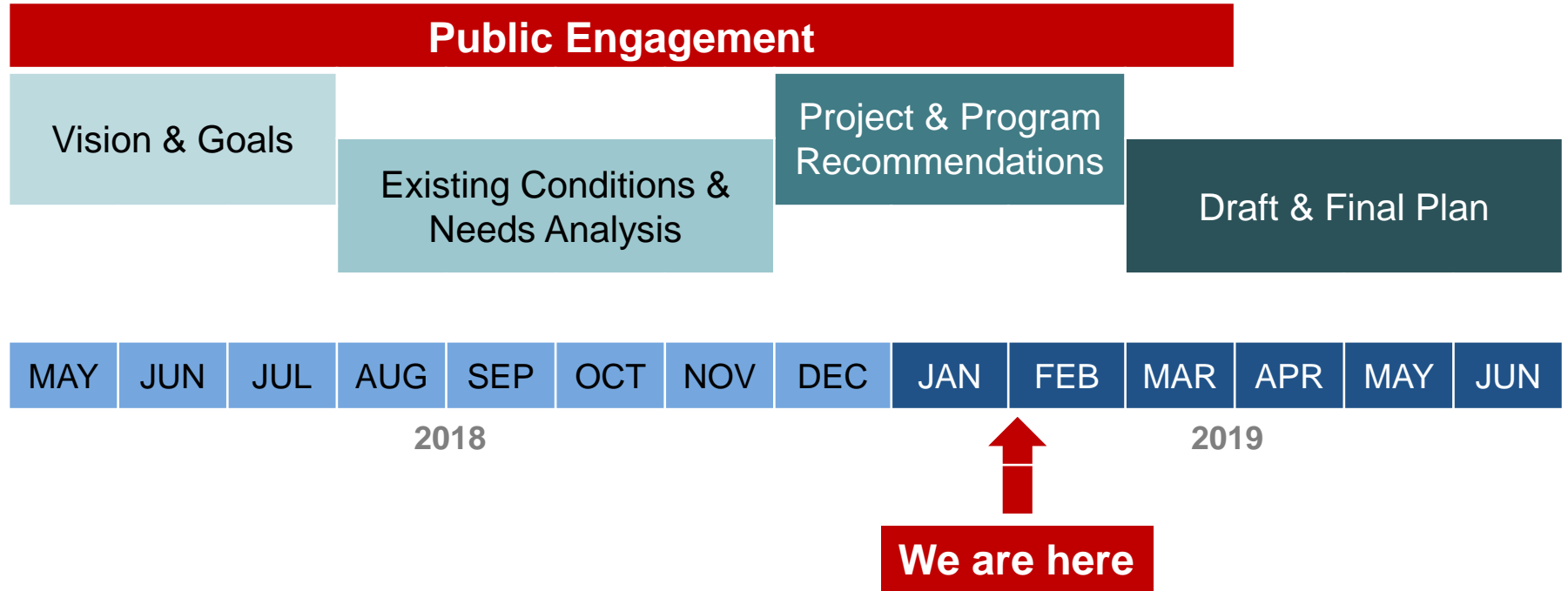
Questions & Comments

Plan Overview

- » Regular updates required for grant eligibility
- » Safety-focused, consistent with *Vision Zero* Policy
- » Scope:
 - Vision and Goals
 - Existing Conditions & Needs Analysis
 - Project Prioritization
 - Citywide Programs



Project Schedule



Overview of Engagement Activities

In-Person

Community events

Public open houses

Transportation Commission

Pedestrian Subcommittee



Online

Project website

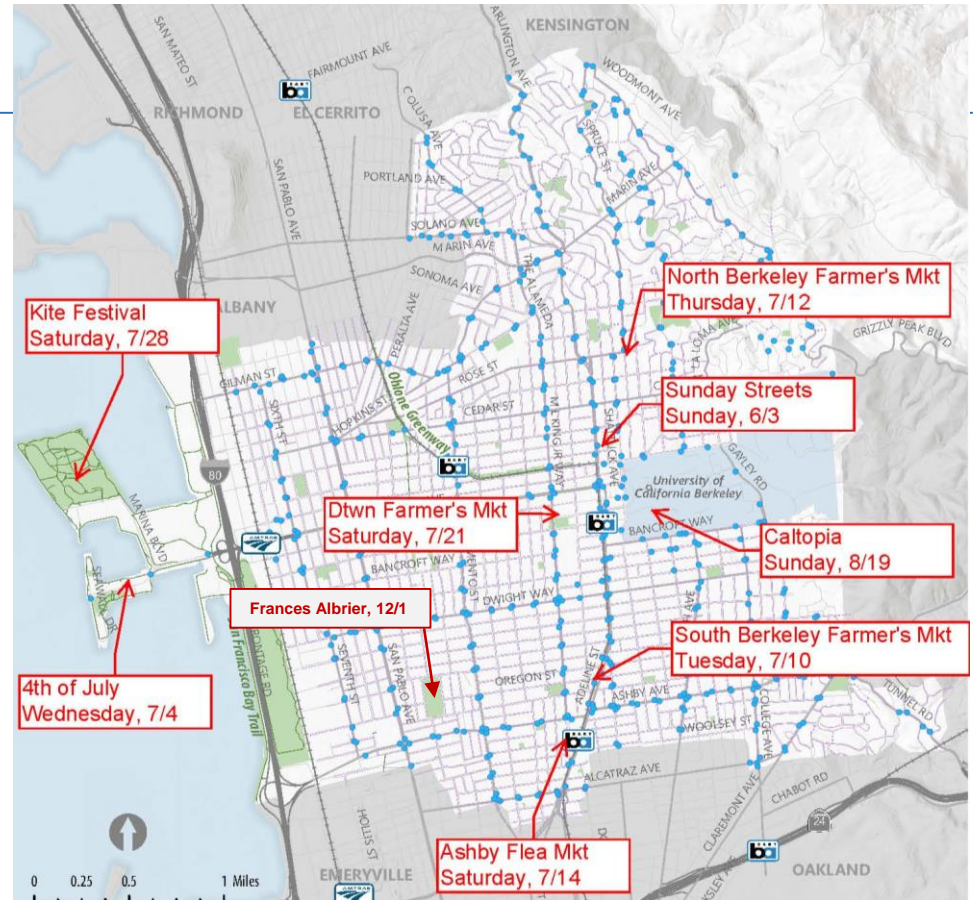
Interactive map

Public survey



In-Person Events

- » Sunday Streets, 6/3
- » Fourth of July, 7/4
- » South Farmer's Market, 7/10
- » North Farmer's Market, 7/12
- » Ashby Flea Market, 7/14
- » Dtown Farmer's Market, 7/21
- » Kite Festival, 7/28
- » Caltopia, 8/19
- » Open House at Frances Albrier Community Center, 12/1



In-Person Events

Level of Engagement

- 8 events / 44 hours gathering input
- ~20 comments per hour / ~880 unique comments

What we Heard

- Focus on crossings and sidewalk quality
- Interest in pedestrianized areas and more amenities
- Streets mentioned most: Shattuck, Martin Luther King, University, Ashby, San Pablo, Sacramento, Center, Dwight, Marin, Telegraph, Virginia, Adeline, Haste, Oxford

Post-it
MLK & Addison uncontrolled xing
-add lights!

Acton & Carleton (or so) - what will happen here?

Hearst - bike lane/parked cars create visibility issues

• issues for all modes, driver education needed
• construction impacts on Shattuck
• works for improvement and during constr.

Bike bluds are uncontrolled - how do you cross?

Assessment of...
-Design for expected... signal change

Crossing MLK (near Virginia) is challenging

Russell & Shattuck - no breaks to cross

Red paths in hills getting overgrown, moss slide when it rains
↳ S of Marin Ave

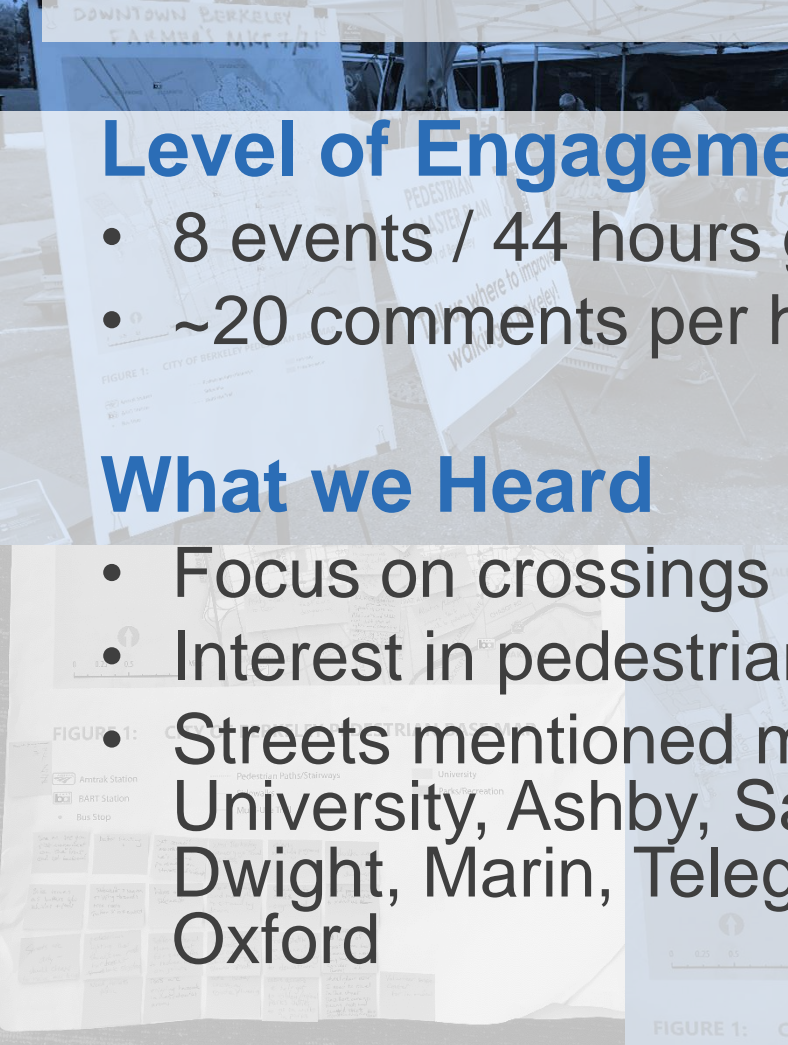


FIGURE 1: CITY OF BERKELEY PEDESTRIAN BASE MAP

Project Website Interactive Map

Use our interactive wikimap to show us where and why you walk in Berkeley.



- 1 **DRAW** your ideas by clicking "ADD POINT" or "ADD ROUTE" in the menu bar below.
- 2 **DESCRIBE** the POINT or ROUTE by answering a few questions.
- 3 **CLICK** on a POINT or ROUTE to "Agree/Disagree" with other users' suggestions or to **ADD PHOTOS** to existing points.

for detailed instructions, or to report a problem, see "About & Help" below

USER INPUT

- Routes I Like to Walk
- Routes that make me Uncomfortable or need improvement
- Great Street or Path
- B Barriers
- D Destinations

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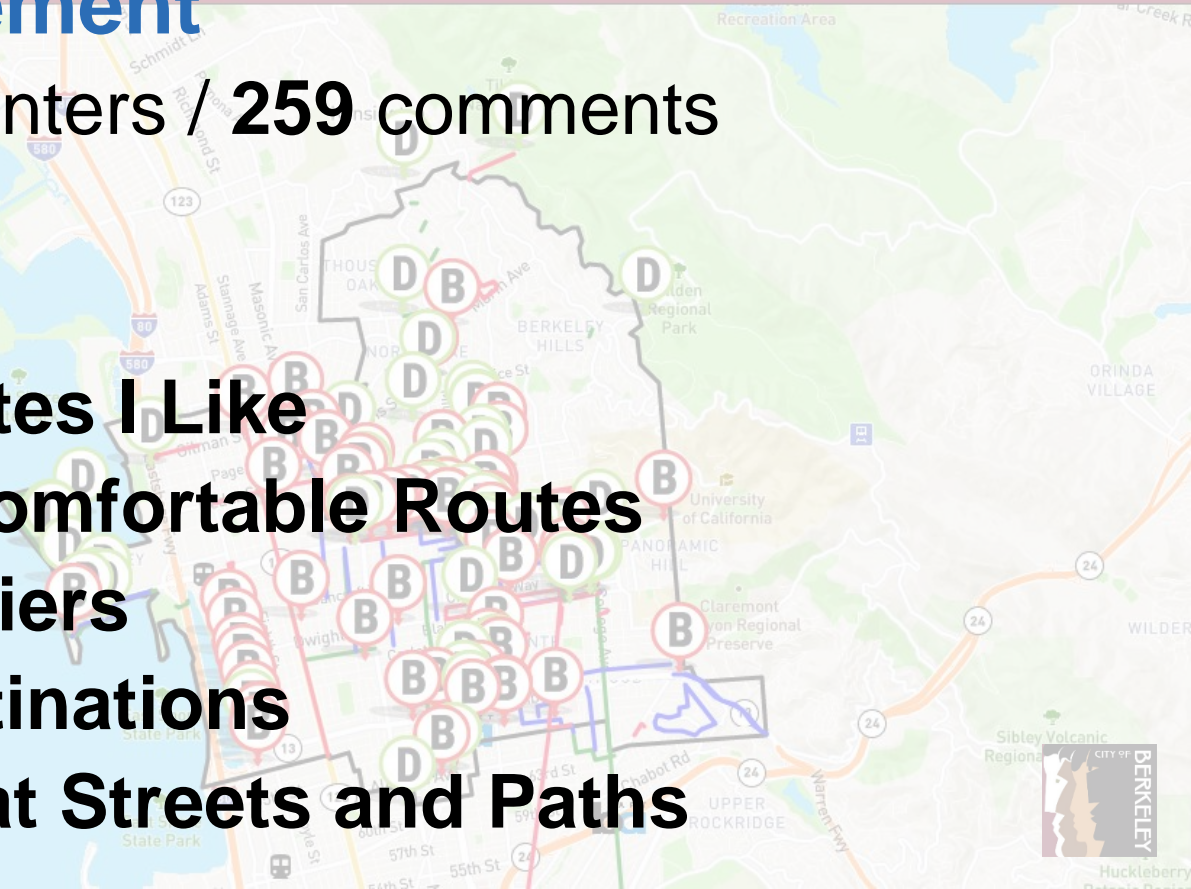
-  BART Station
-  Amtrak Station
-  Bus Stop*

Level of Engagement

• **50** unique commenters / **259** comments

What we Heard

- **32** marks for **Routes I Like**
- **48** marks for **Uncomfortable Routes**
- **86** marks for **Barriers**
- **69** marks for **Destinations**
- **24** marks for **Great Streets and Paths**

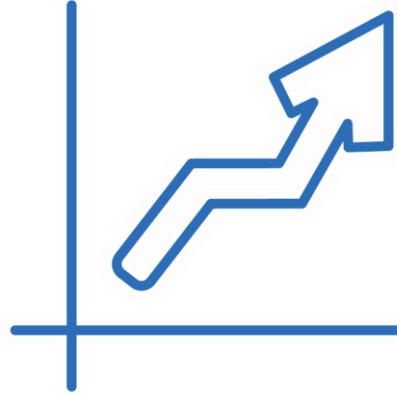


Proposed Vision

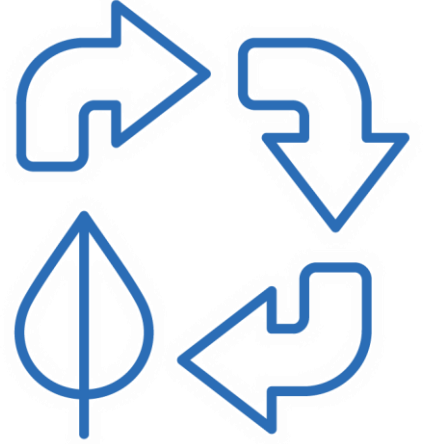
*Berkeley is a model **walkable city** where traveling on foot or with an assistive device is **safe, comfortable, and convenient** for people of all **ages and abilities***



**Safety &
Comfort**





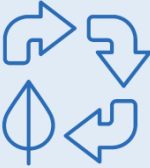
**Equity &
Choices**



**Public Health &
Environment**

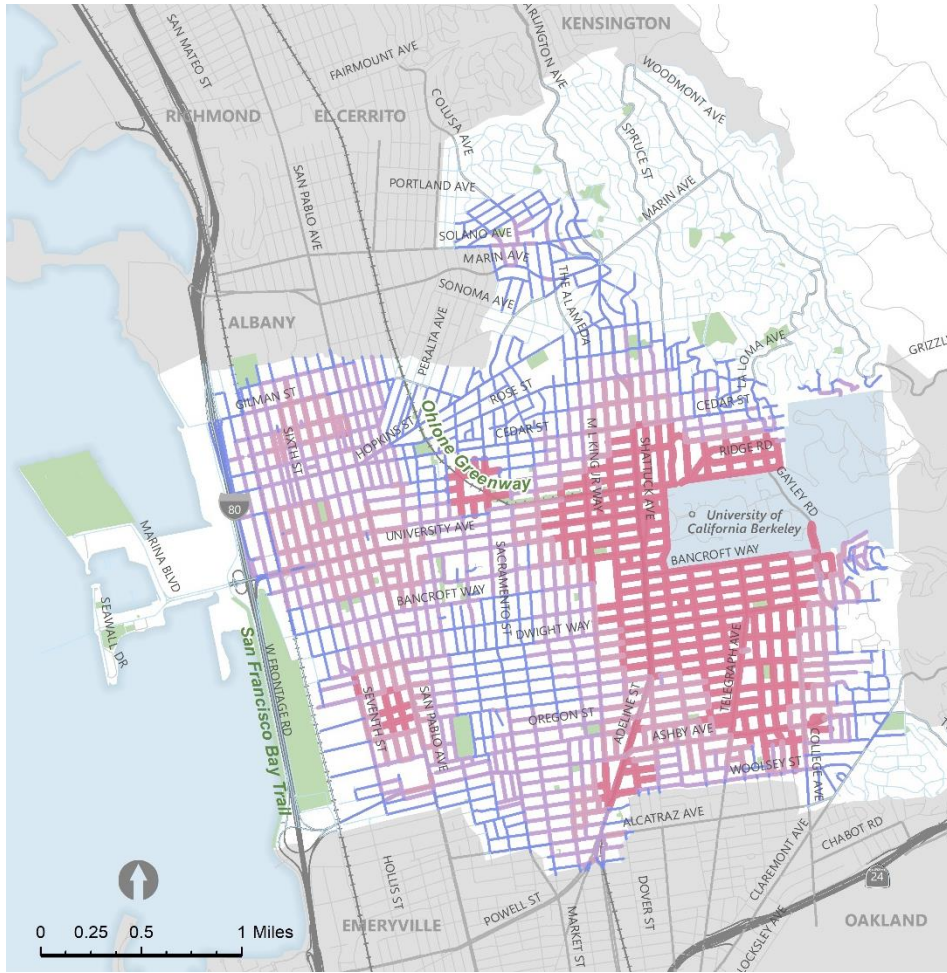
Proposed Goal Areas

Proposed Goals & Performance Measures

Goals	Performance Measures
 Reduce pedestrian fatalities and severe injuries to 0 by 2028	Implement safety treatments at critical locations on all high-injury corridors by 2028 Reduce speeding on high-injury corridors
 Achieve equity and extend transportation choices to all	Make XX% of pedestrian-related investments over next 10 years in Berkeley's historically underserved communities
 Improve public health and the environment	Maintain Berkeley's status as #1 in the State for walking commute rate



Estimated Pedestrian Demand

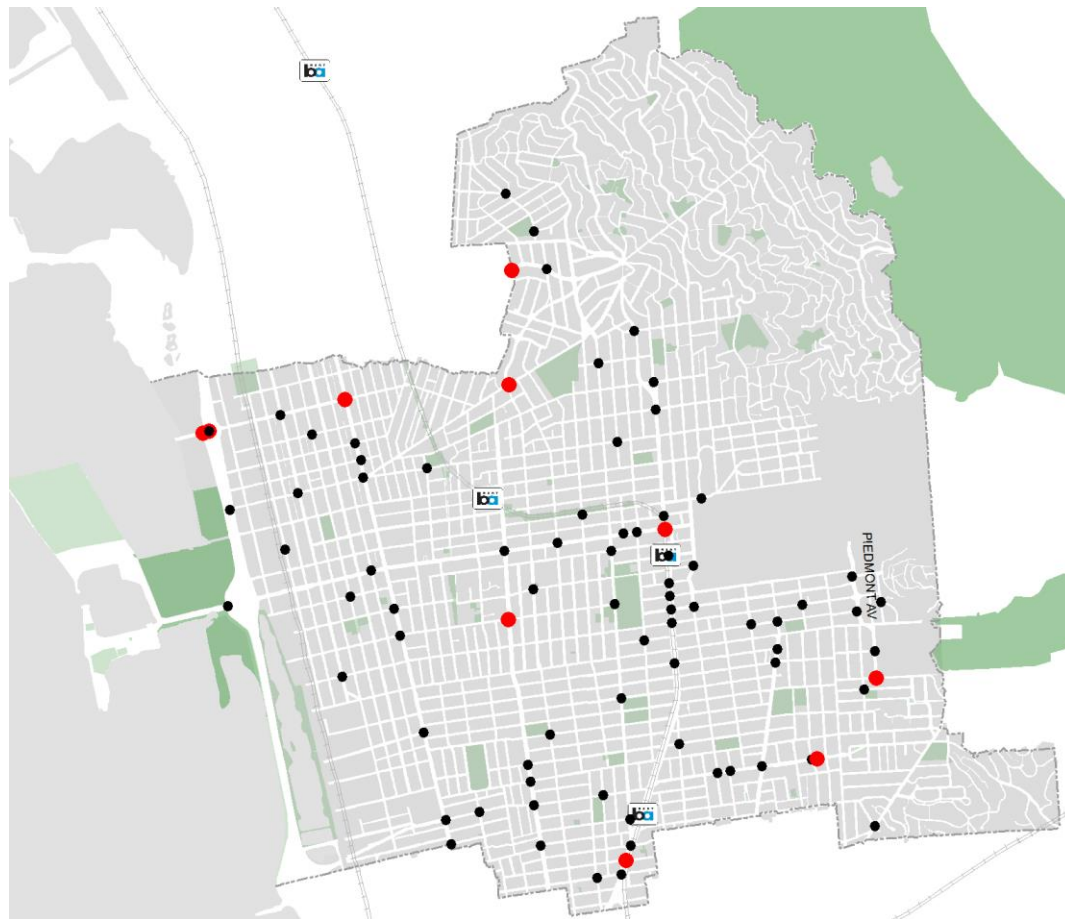


- » Destination-choice model uses data from City of Berkeley, Alameda County, and Census
- » Areas of highest demand are:
 - Downtown Berkeley BART
 - UC Berkeley campus
 - Commercial corridors and employment centers

Estimated Weekly Pedestrian Volumes



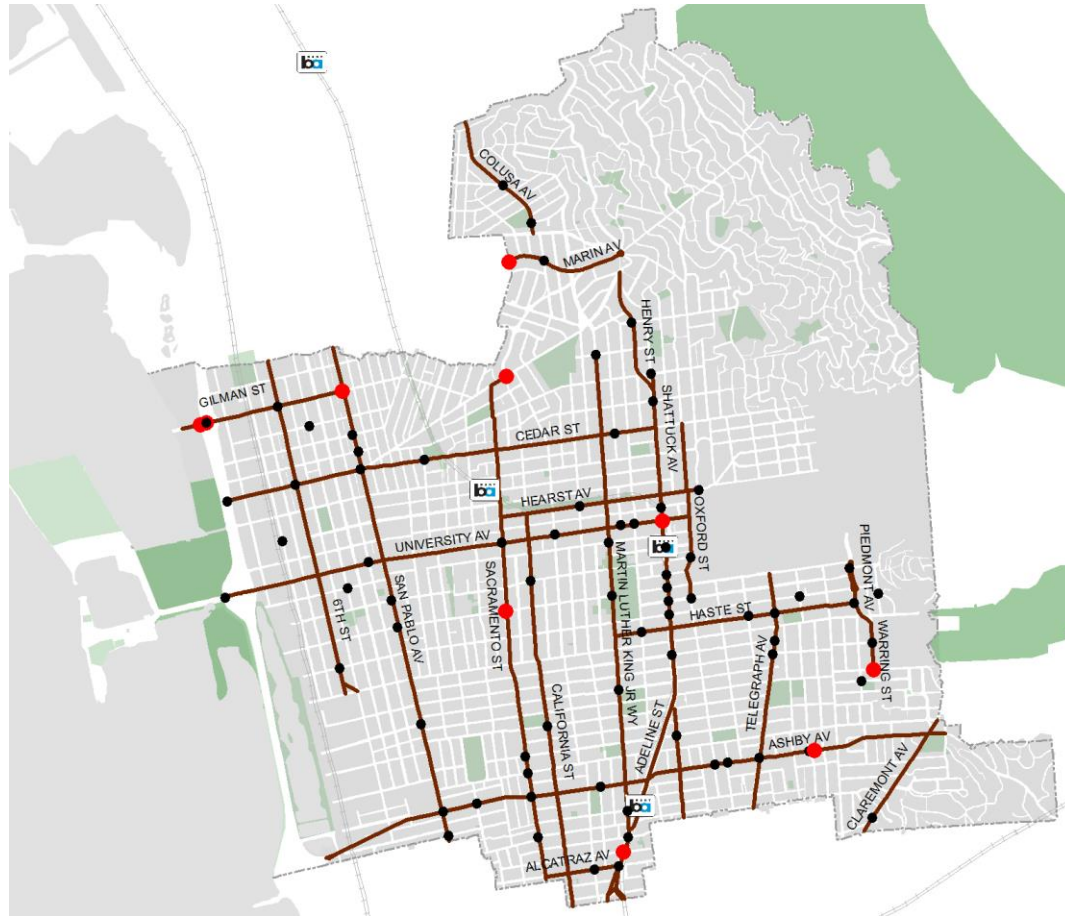
Focus on Severity – Consistent with *Vision Zero* Policy



Pedestrian Collisions, 2008-2017

- Fatalities
- Severe Injuries

Pedestrian High Injury Corridors



Pedestrian Collisions, 2008-2017

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● Severe Injuries

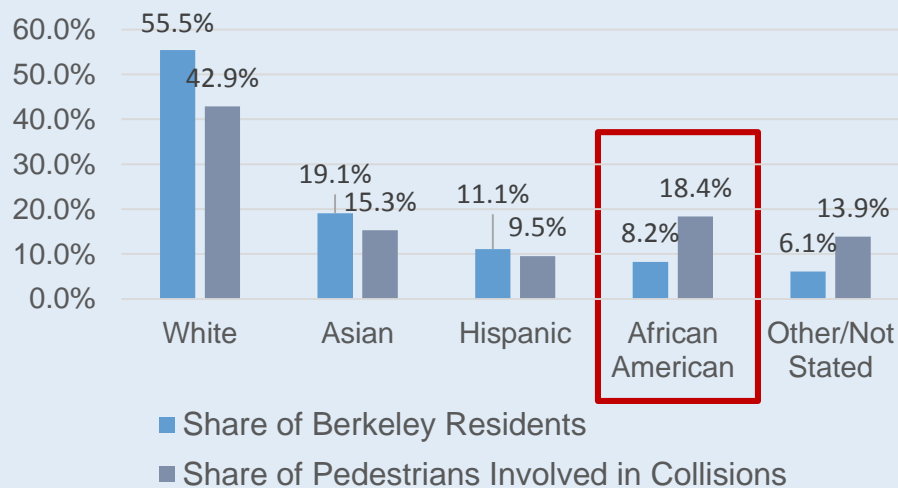
— High Injury Corridors

14% of Berkeley's street miles account for 93% of pedestrian fatalities & severe injuries.

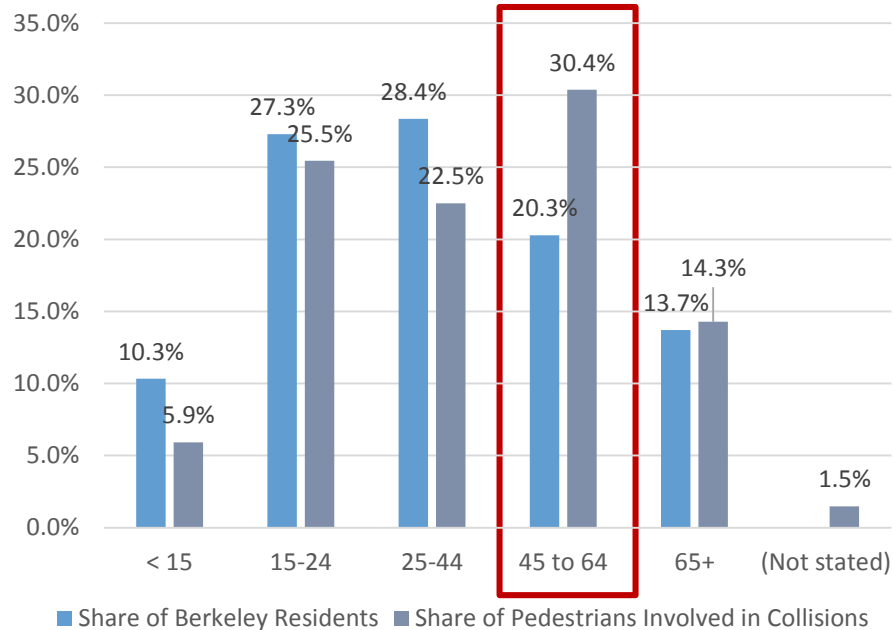
Who is Most Affected?

(SWITRS data 2012-2016)








Pedestrian Race



Pedestrian Age



Proposed Prioritization Framework

Factor		Description
	Safety	Concentration of severe and fatal collisions
	Equity	Historically underserved neighborhoods
	Proximity to*:	Considers network distance to destinations:
	<i>Schools</i>	<i>0.25-mi from K-12 schools, UC Berkeley & City College</i>
	<i>Transit</i>	<i>0.50-mi from major transit stop</i>
	<i>Commercial Area</i>	<i>0.50-mi from shopping and employment center</i>
	<i>Parks</i>	<i>0.25-mi from park or open space</i>

* Considering using pedestrian demand estimation model instead of destination proximity.



Programs & Guidance

Anticipated Focus Areas

- » **Street lighting & red curbs focusing on pedestrian crossings**
- » **Crosswalk Policy**
- » **Pedestrian signal automated recall paralleling arterials**
- » **Traffic calming in relation to emergency vehicle access**



Next Steps

Public & Transportation Commission Engagement

- » Pedestrian Subcommittee Meeting #2, Feb/March 2019
- » Transportation Commission Meeting, March/April 2019
- » Public Open House #2, March/April 2019



Next Steps

Vision Zero Task Force Meetings

- » Introduction to Vision Zero Action Plan & Purpose, Feb/March 2019
- » Best Practices & Benchmarking Assessment, April/May 2019
- » Draft Actions Workshops, June 2019
- » Action Items Prioritization, July 2019
- » City Council Action Plan Adoption, Fall 2019



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