Attachment A

Active Transportation Capital Project Prioritization Methodology



Proposed Active Transportation Capital Project Prioritization Methodology

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Background

- Board is seeking additional \$100 million for active transportation projects
- > Prioritized list of potential projects needs to be developed
- Draft prioritization methodology was presented to the Board in December 2021
- ➤ Revised criteria based on the Board's guidance



Proposed Project Selection Process



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Compile list of previously identified active transportation network gaps and unsafe crossing locations, and map the location in GIS (Completed)

Staff identify projects located within high priority locations (Step 1)

Board members identify **other high priority projects** that should also be considered for further analysis (Step 2)

Staff evaluates network function and proximity to pedestrian generator of short-listed projects (Step 3)

Staff analyzes ease of implementation, property and environmental impacts, and order of magnitude cost of highest scoring projects (Step 4)

Board selects projects for funding

Proposed Project Selection Process - Example

	Step 1	Step 2		Step 3			Step 4			
Input: Known network needs, public project requests, study recommendations	High Priority Location	Other Priority Projects (Outside High Priority Locations)	Short Listed Projects	Critical Network Gaps	Proximity to Pedestrian Trip Generator	Highest Ranking Projects	Construction Feasibility, Environmental/Property Impacts	Magnitute of Cost	Prioritized Short List	Approved for Funding
Project A										
Project B		x	Project B			Project B			2. Project B	Project B
Project C	x		Project C							
Project D	x		Project D			Project D			1. Project D	Project D
Project E										
Project F	x		Project F							
Project G										
Project H	x		Project H			Project H			4. Project H	
Project I	x		Project I			Project I			3. Project I	
Project J										



High-risk corridors and locations



Areas with high density of pedestrian trip generators (Demand Analysis)



Areas with high need for access to safe active transportation facilities (Needs Analysis)



Vulnerable Areas and Islands of Disadvantage (new)



Priority public health locations (new)



Regional Connectivity (Capital Trails Network segments; other Regional Trails)

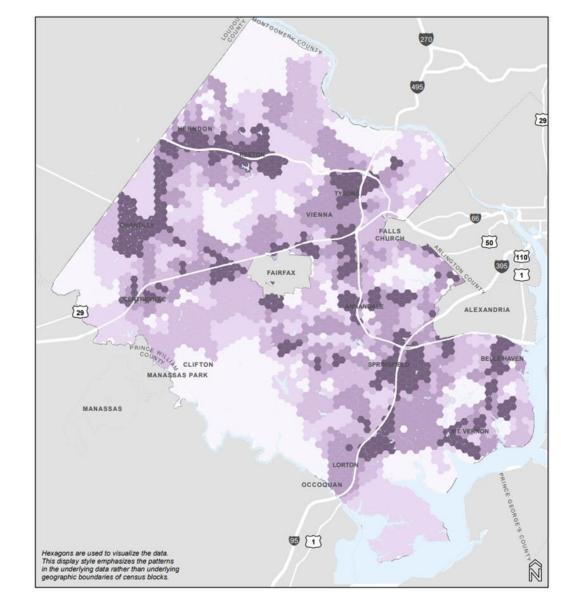
Close to schools, park entrances and transit stops

Step 1 – Spatial Analysis: Identification of projects located in high priority locations

Active Transportation Demand Analysis

Areas with high density of pedestrian trip generators:

- Population Density
- Employment Density
- Retail Job Density
- Transit Stops
- Educational Institutions
- Parks
- Regional Trails
- Public Facilities
- Hospitals





DEMAND ANALYSIS | COMPOSITE DEMAND

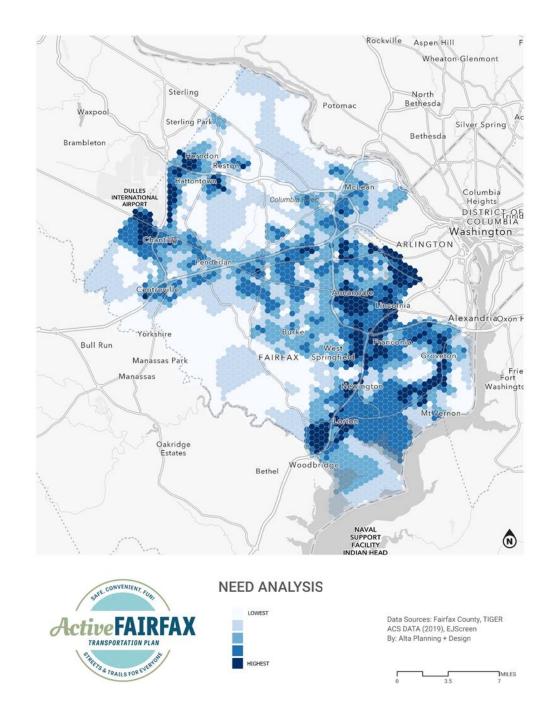
DEMAND SCORE



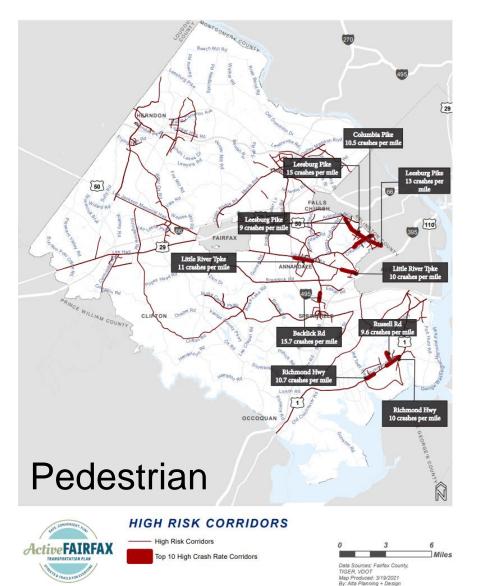
Data Sources: Fairfax County,TIGER Map Produced: 12/17/2020 By: Alta Planning + Design

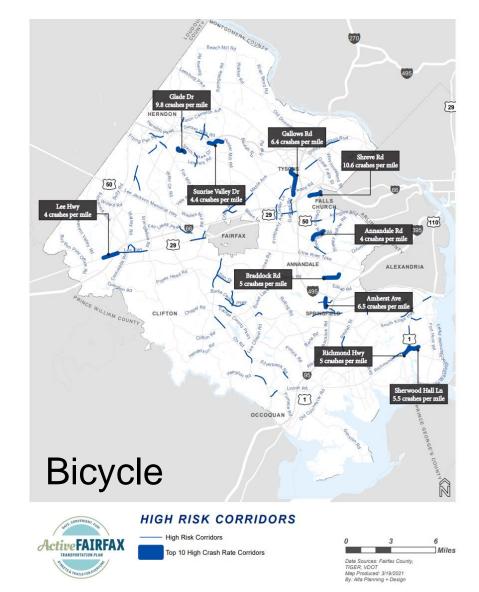
Active Transportation Needs Analysis

- Areas with high need for access to safe active transportation facilities
- Areas that are culturally less likely to request improvements
- Factors:
 - Race
 - Income
 - Disability
 - Air Quality
 - Age
 - Housing Cost burden
 - Linguistic Isolation
 - Educational Attainment
 - Single Parent Households

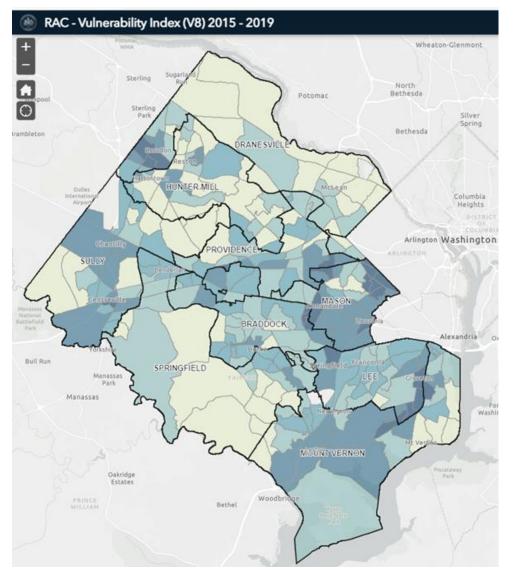


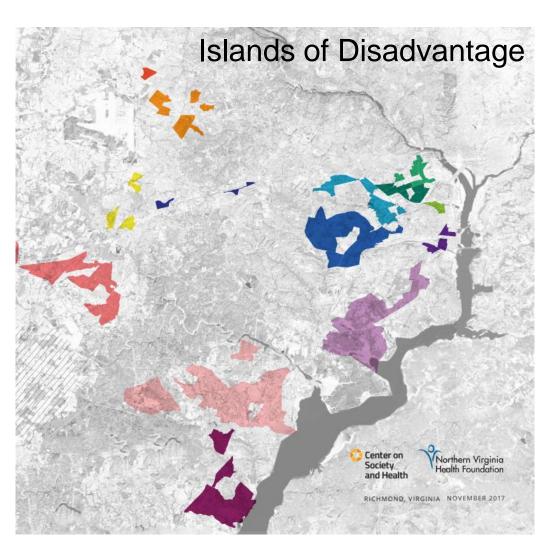
High-Risk Corridors & Locations



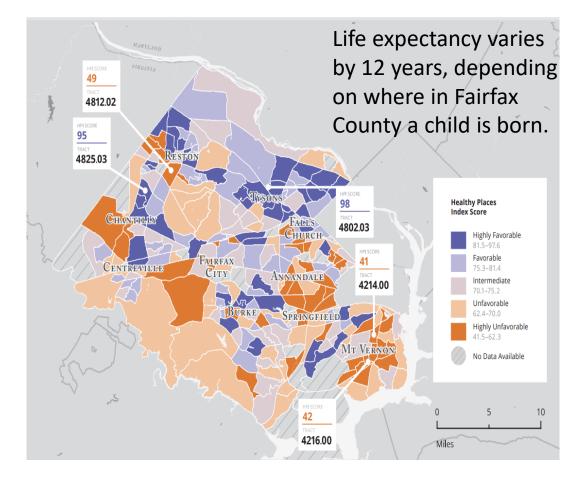


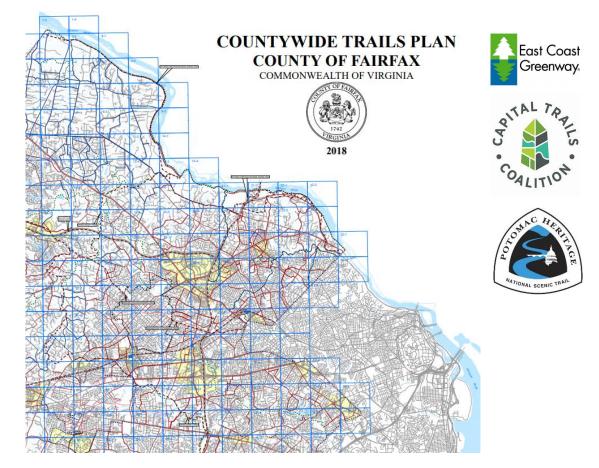
Vulnerability Index & Islands of Disadvantage





Priority Public Health Locations & Regional Connectivity





Proposed Next Steps

Identification of immediate needs to be addressed with initial \$5 million while methodology is finalized

- Priority crosswalk improvements
- Priority maintenance needs
- Initiating priority linear projects

Finalization of methodology

Completion of Step 1 Spatial Analysis on list of potential projects



Feedback requested from the Board:

- Does the Board have any additional comments before staff finalizes the methodology and prepares to run Step 1 Spatial Analysis?
- Does the Board want staff to identify smaller scale projects and/or maintenance projects now to implement with the \$5 million dollars currently available?

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