

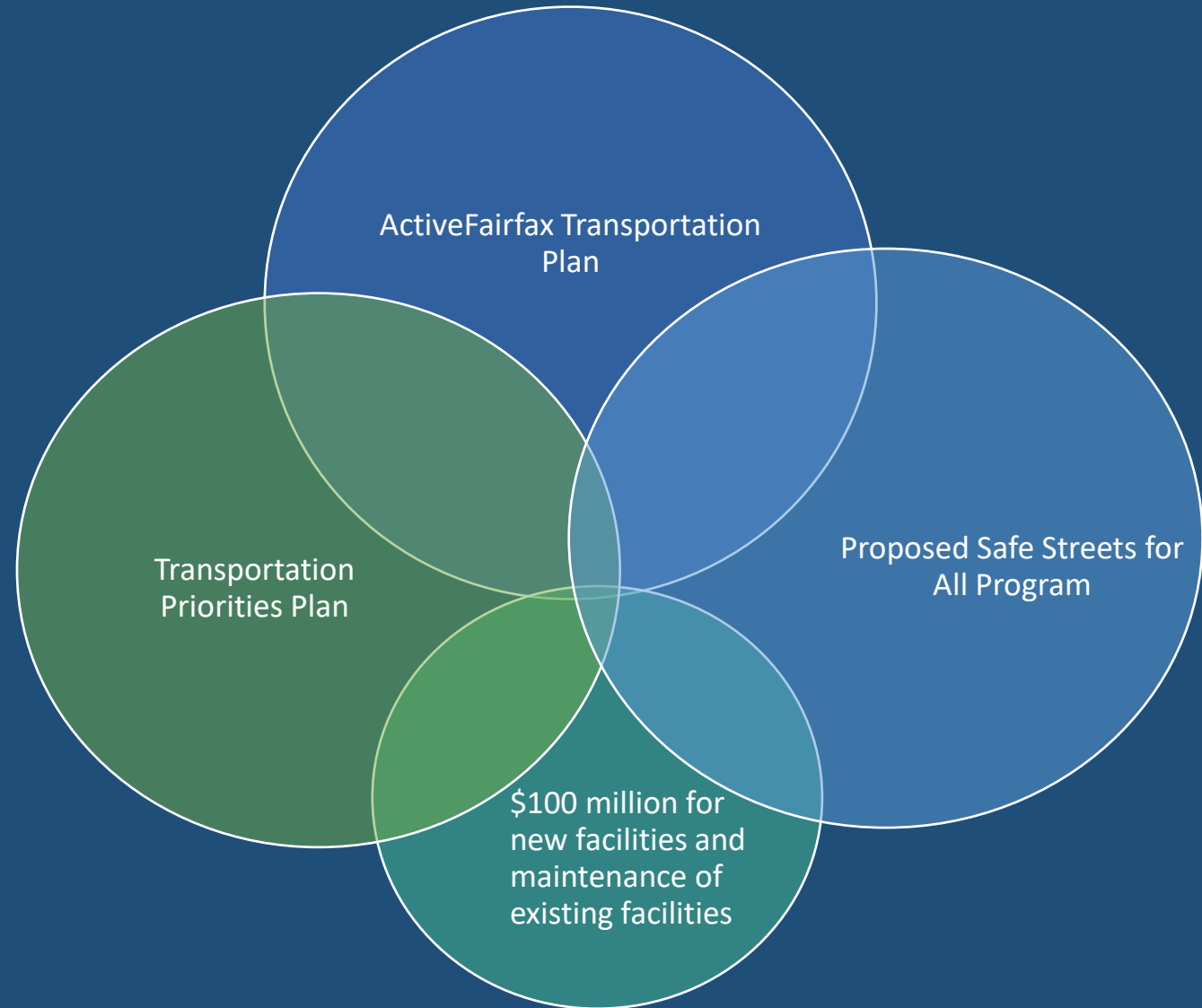


ActiveFairfax Transportation Plan Update

Board Transportation Committee
February 1, 2022

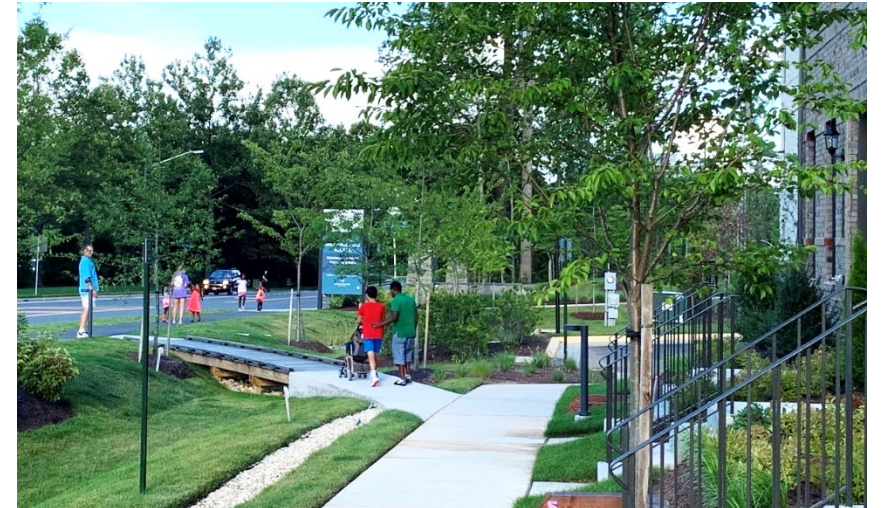
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Major Active Transportation Programs and Initiatives



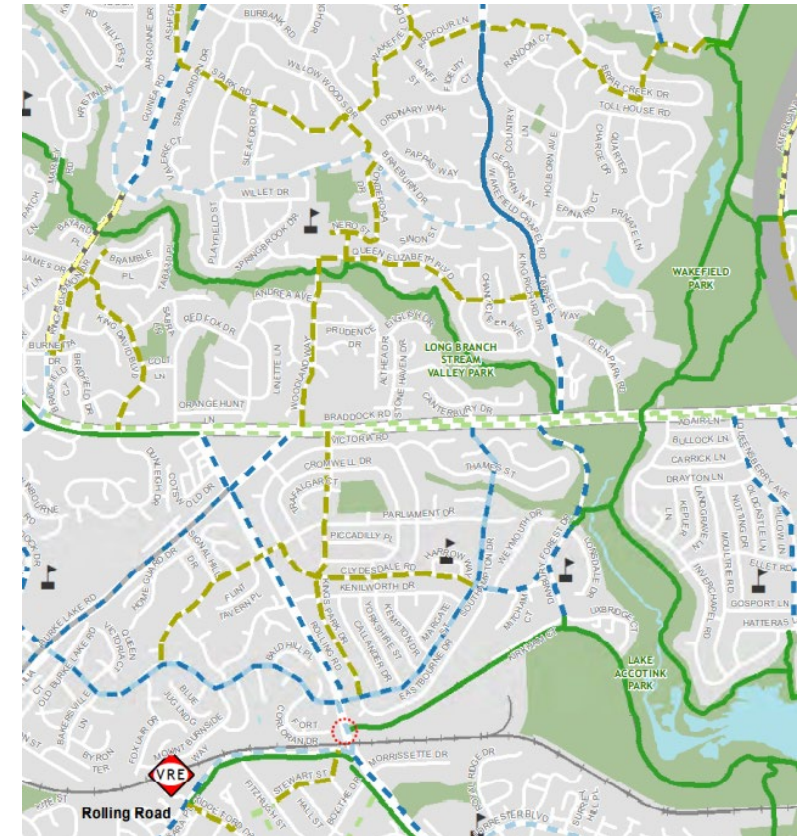
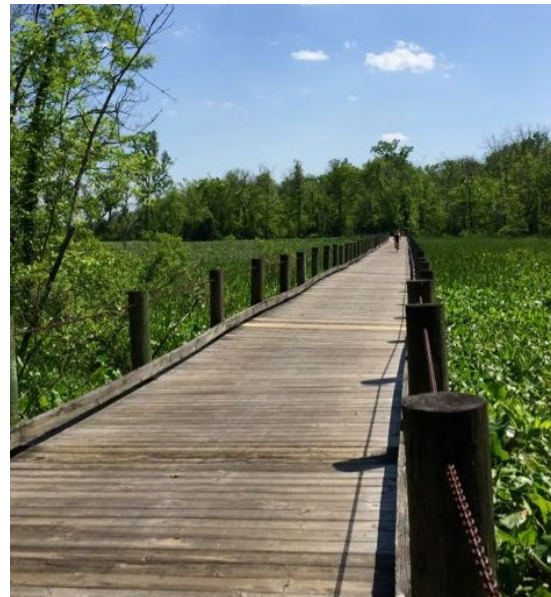
ActiveFairfax Project Background

- PROJECT GOALS:
 - Update and streamline **Comp Plan guidance** on active transportation
 - Provide **design guidance on safety/comfort** in active transportation
 - Provide policy and program recommendations to support **implementation & performance measures**



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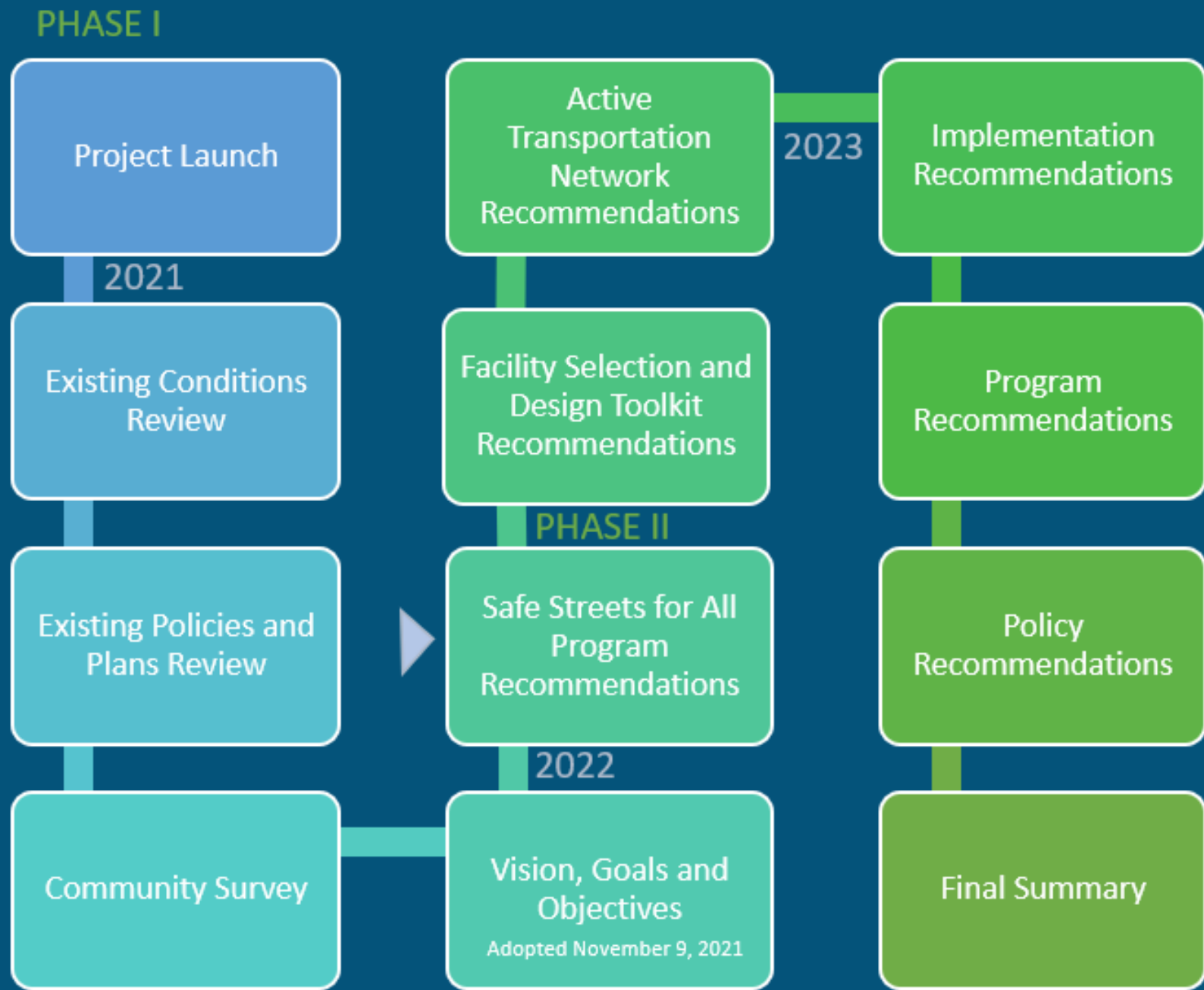
- Funding received for **Phase I** in 2019
- Funding received for **Phase II** in 2021
- **Alta Planning + Design** and **AECOM** consultants
- Estimated **Project Duration**:
 - Phase I: Summer 2020 - Winter 2022
 - Phase II: Winter 2022 – Fall 2023



ActiveFairfax Project Milestones



The Board and the public will have frequent input on the milestones in Phase II



In January 2020, the Board of Supervisors passed a motion to make Fairfax County **safer for pedestrians and bicyclists**.

As part of the ActiveFairfax Transportation Plan effort Fairfax County DOT developed draft recommendations for **a countywide Safe Streets for All Program**, which will become a stand-alone initiative once approved.

Draft Safe Streets for All Program: Board Transp Comm Feedback

- Draft recommendations were presented to Board Transportation Committee on June 29, 2021:
 - Suggested additional recommendations:
 - **Branding and communication** strategy
 - **Context-sensitive** approach to street design
 - User-friendly **crash data dashboard**
 - Active transportation facility usage **data collection**
 - Indication of **cost**
 - **Concerns:** VDOT buy-in; cost of new infrastructure; limited available funding



Draft Safe Streets for All Program: Community Engagement

- Community engagement November – December 2021
 - Four small group discussions with **Opportunity Neighborhood** residents
 - Two **public information** meetings
 - One **round table** with community organizations
 - **Online** feedback
- Received **positive feedback and support**
- General **sense of urgency** to address safety concerns



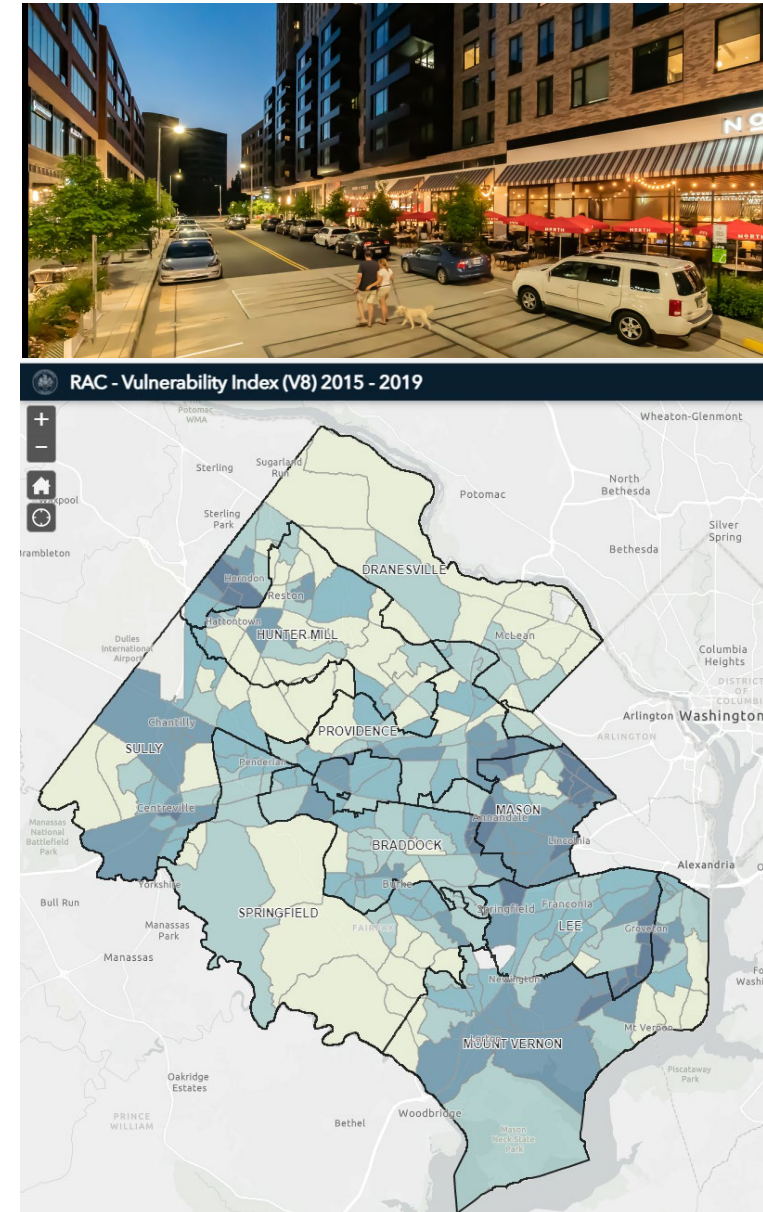
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General support for:

- Lowering speeds
- Safer intersections and mid-block crossings
- Better connectivity
- Prioritization of areas w/ highest need
- Street lighting
- Road safety performance measures and targets

Key Concerns:

- VDOT Buy-In
- Local and State Policy Changes
- Cost of Improvements & Availability of Funding
- Length of Implementation Timeframes



Draft Safe Streets for All Program: Next Steps

- Finalize recommendations
- Return March 1 with a phased **implementation strategy** to secure the Board's input
- Board action in spring 2022





Feedback requested from the Board:

1. Do the proposed draft Safe Streets for All Program recommendations align with the Boards active transportation safety priorities?
2. Are there additional recommendations the Board would like to include in the program?

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