

# Active Transportation & Active Living Advisory Committee

February 20, 2020

# Agenda

Introductions

Purpose

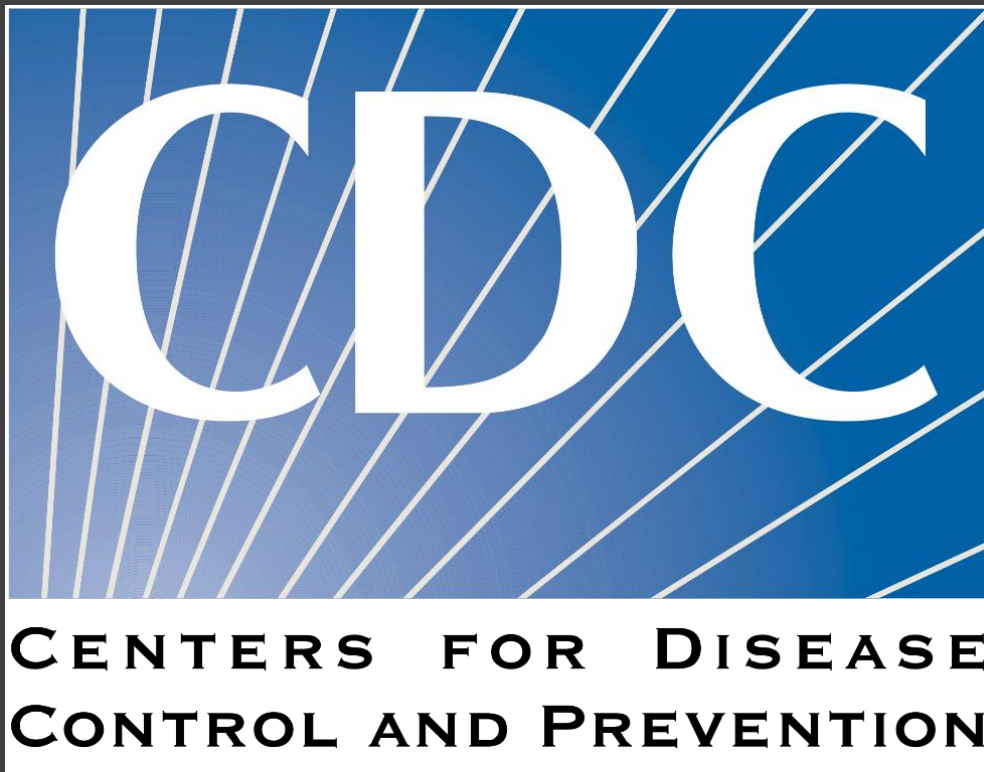
Status Update

Future Work

Questions/Comments

# Purpose

Of the grant and of this committee



# CDC-FUNDED PROJECT

Focused on Active Living and  
Active Transportation

Statewide

Project runs until September  
2020

# Status Update

A summary of year 1 & 2

# Rural Complete Streets Workshop

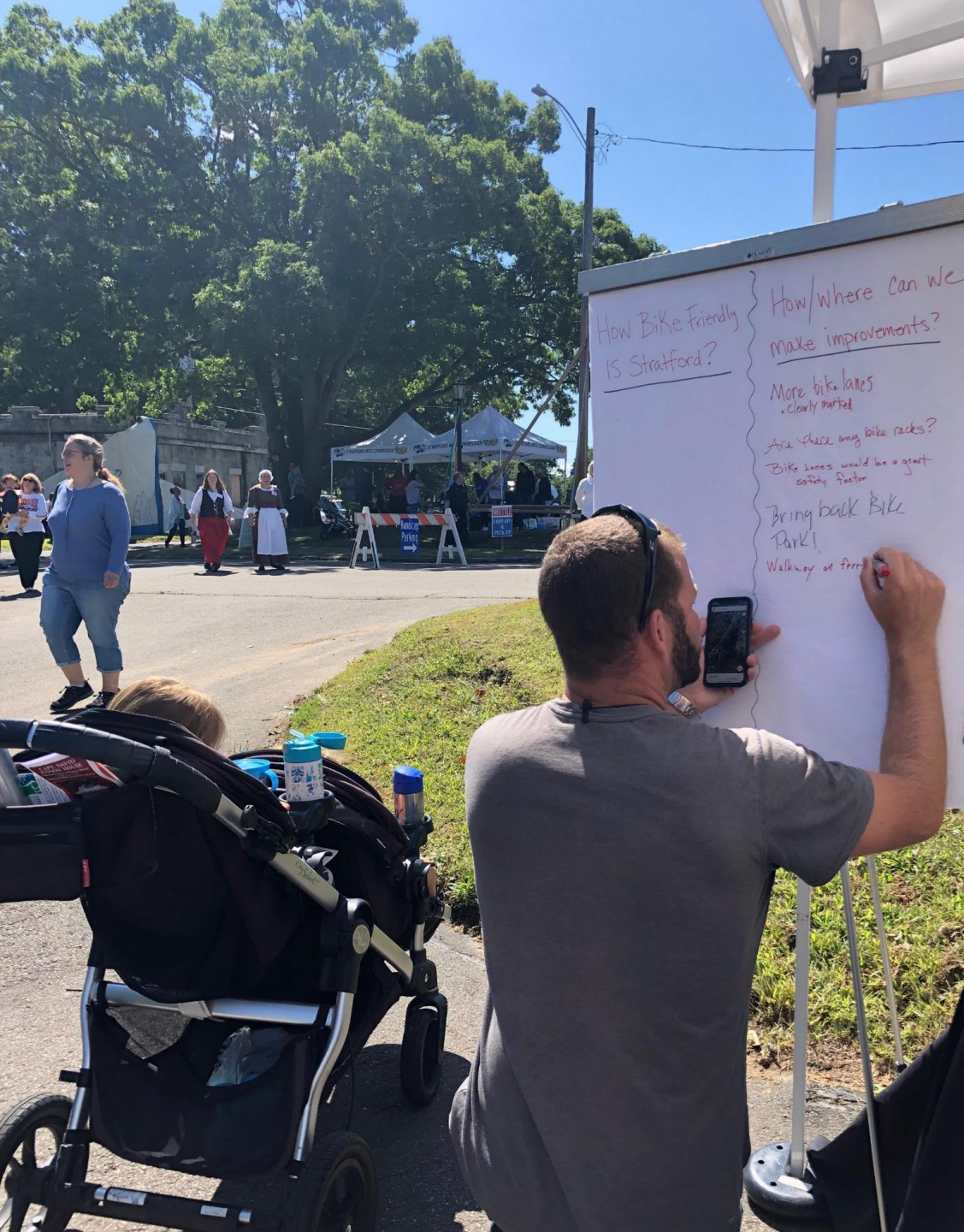
Workshop hosted by NHCOC in Goshen

Held on August 15

Focused on implementing complete streets in a rural context

Narrated presentation will be posted





# Stratford Pop-up

Held September 6

Partnership with MetroCOG, Town of Stratford, and Watch for Me CT

Provided safety information

Raffled helmets

Collected feedback on biking in Stratford



# Easton Workshop

Held a two-day design charrette  
focused on Sport Hill Road

Rural location

Connections needed between  
commercial properties

Over 400 people filled out the  
project survey





# New Haven Bus Platform

Portable, temporary bus platform

Allows for ADA-compliant pickups without buses having to leave the travel lane

Modular and can accommodate bike lanes

To be installed in Spring

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# Norwich Workshop

Held in partnership with SCCOG

Focused on “nuts and bolts” of implementing complete streets

Presentation by Mike Lydon and Mike Morehouse

Attendees received quick build guide books

CDC team attended



# Hartford Intersection Improvements

Temporary improvements to  
two crossings

Main & Charter Oak

South Prospect Street

Ideas originated from  
community input

Results: Average speed  
decreased (14.4 to 11.7)

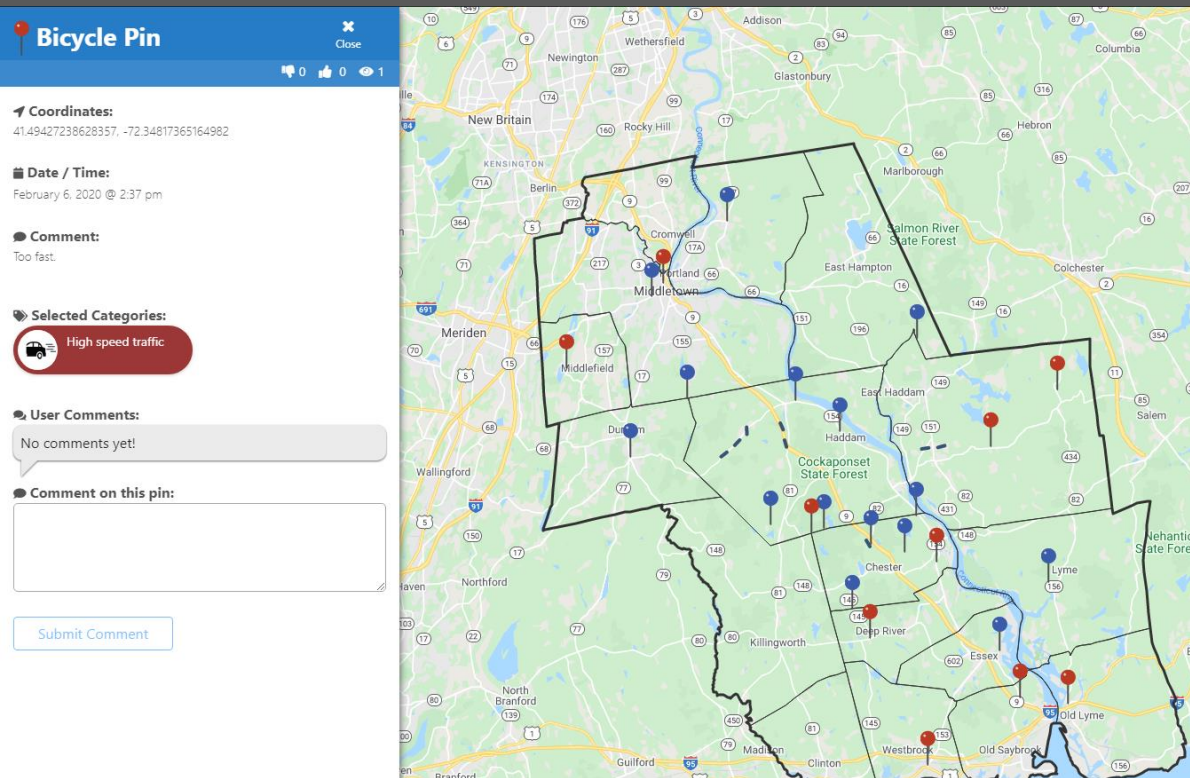
High speed turns reduced  
from 50% to 10%

# RiverCOG Bike Plan

Assisting RiverCOG with  
outreach on their Bike Plan

Developed interactive  
mapping application

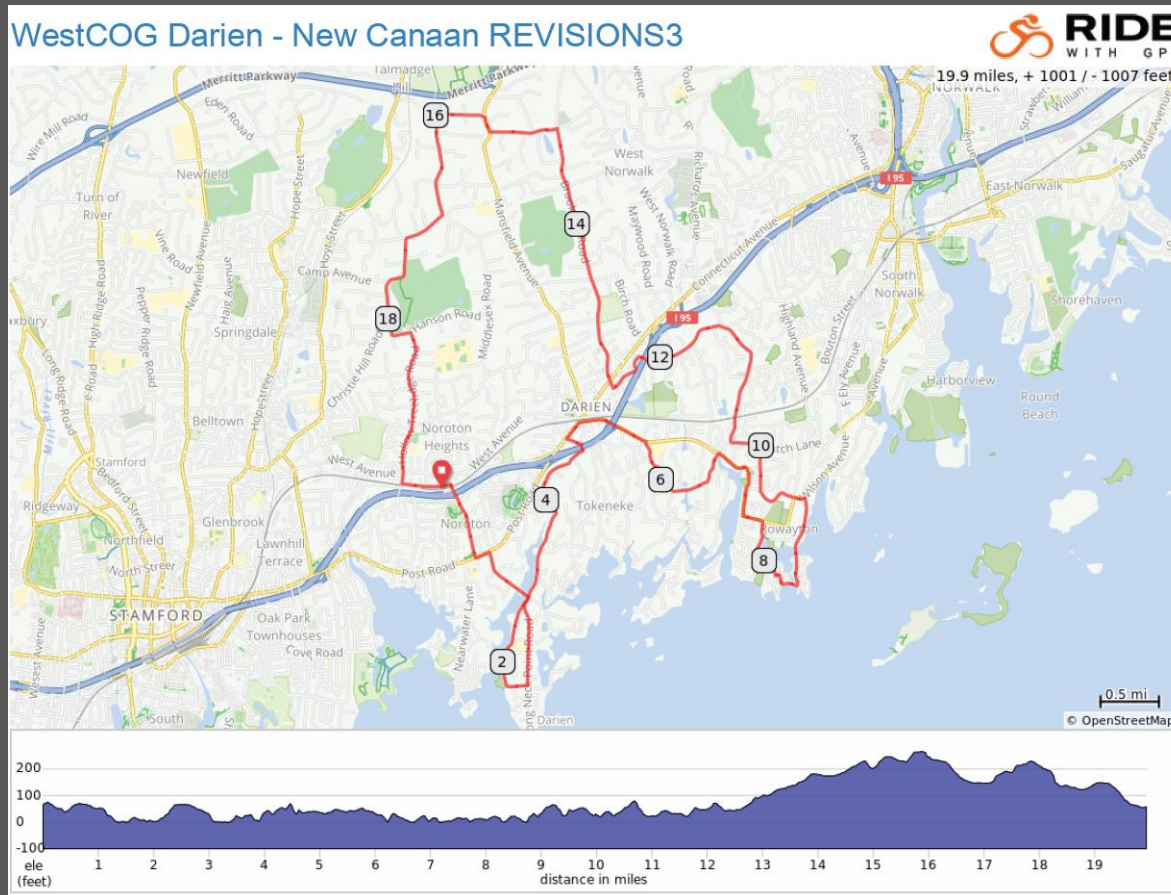
Will hold outreach  
events/workshops in the  
Spring



# Darien – New Canaan Bike Route

Evaluation of potential bike  
route between Darien and  
New Canaan

Difficult areas such as crossing  
Route 1



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# East Hartford Gold Street

Testing partial closure of a residential street that intersects with Silver Lane

Bad sight lines

Converting to a one-way in

Simple test with plastic delineators



# Cornwall Bridge Demo

Testing traffic calming measures in Cornwall Bridge

Triangular intersection with two state roads

Currently coordinating with CTDOT



# Ansonia Pedestrian Improvements

Two potential projects

- State street ped crossing
- East Main Street pedestrian facilities

Coordinating with CTDOT to determine which project can move forward



# Future Work

Planning for year 2

## APPROACHES TO CREATING DESTINATIONS

(NOT ALL INCLUSIVE)

- Land use or comprehensive plan
- Master plan
- Zoning measures/ordinances
- Growth management plan
- Housing plan
- School design and siting plan/policy
- Park siting plan/policy
- Form-based codes
- Inclusionary zoning policy
- Urban growth boundary
- Financial incentives
- Pedestrian-oriented districts (POD)
- Density bonuses to developers
- Park master plan
- Preservation of open space
- Policy requiring parks, open spaces to be included in new development projects
- Plan related to walking/biking to school
- Shared use agreements/MOUs

# Years 3 through 5

Working with DPH on a proposal for year 3

- Potential for year 4 and 5
- Flat funding (roughly \$200k per year)

Focus is on enhancing or creating everyday destinations

# Potential Projects

Training education; Safe Routes to Schools;  
Bike Racks; Transit Shelters; Zoning Regulations

# Schools

Provide training for educators/students on bike safety

Provided by Bike/Walk CT

Pair the training with safe routes to schools like planning services

Possibly pair with demonstration project at the school

# Bike Rack Fund

Carve out a pot of money for bike rack installation

Standard racks could be purchased in bulk

Ask towns to install them as a match

Quick way to deploy resources

Fairly easy for towns to get approved

# Transit Shelters

Carve out a pot of money for transit shelter purchases

Purchase standard shelters in bulk

Prioritize easy to install locations (no pouring of concrete pads)

Difficult to get funding for shelters

Need to get eligibility determination from CDC

Need to figure out maintenance issues

# Zoning Regulations

Provide assistance with drafting language for bike/ped friendly zoning

Could be based on CRCOG's Sustainable Land-use Code

- Existing model language for mixed-use and infill development

Could also modify subdivision regulations

Questions?