



Walk21 Conference (2017 September)

- Calgary will welcome over 400 international delegates:
 - academia, policy-makers, urban planners, healthcare professionals, and local leaders
- Walk21 Calgary will focus on how cities can pivot towards more walkable futures and become more resilient and sustainable
- Opportunity to discuss new ideas about how walking can connect people and communities

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Walk21

- Technical sessions & walkshops throughout Calgary
- Projects that strengthen local partnerships and draw attention to walking:
 - 4 Avenue Flyover
 - · Ronald McDonald House
 - Walk21 Community
 Microgrants



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Microgrant Program Description

- Offer small grants to 150 community groups
- Empower community initiated ideas that reflect local priorities and values
- Collect lessons learned to create nimble processes for residents as a conference legacy









Community initiated ideas



- Improve engineered walkways
- Walking school bus
- Edgemont bus loop revitalization
- Wayfinding in Bankview
- Draw attention to crosswalks at Auburn Bay school
- Pop up patio during construction



Alignment

Step Forward Pedestrian Strategy:

- Action 17: Create a tactical urbanism program.
- Action 40: Put forward at least three innovative pedestrian projects for Council's Innovation Fund.
- Action 43: Organize and host pre-conference events for international Walk21 Conferences.
- Action 46: Teach City leadership and staff about pedestrian and accessibility needs.

City-wide: This is My Neighbourhood, Calgary Cultural Plan,
#getmovingYYC, community traffic program, Calgary Innovation Lab



Why now: Partners

- Partners are working together to deliver
 Walk21
 - Alberta Health Services
 - University of Calgary
 - Federation of Calgary Communities
- City Team is meeting to create nimble processes to be more responsive to community ideas
 - City of Calgary Tiger Team





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Why now: Calgary Communities

- Neighbour day street permits doubled between 2015 and 2016
- Over 200 traffic calming 311 requests each year
- Pedestrian Strategy engagement





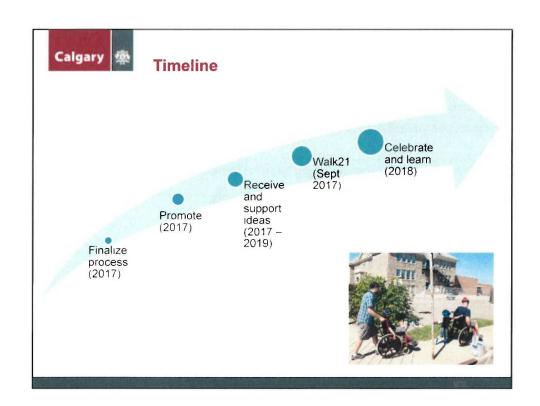


How: Partners

- Federation of Calgary Communities: promote and support applicants
- Walk21 Community Advisory Committee: provide guidance and judging
- Administration:
 - · buddy up to support success
 - · assemble the experiences
 - · recommend process changes

150 ideas will guarantee participation in all parts of Calgary







Measure	Target		
Projects completed & feedback provided	150		
Number of community projects per Ward	Minimum 8 per ward		
Number of people impacted	6,000		
Surveyed residents feel safer walking in their communities	Majority of respondents		
Simpler processes to support community- led initiatives	-Lessons learned report -Recommendations in Q4 2019		

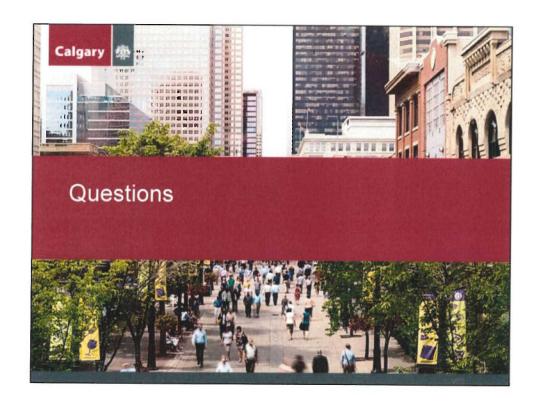


Outcomes

- Empowering communities to invest in their neighbourhoods while keeping citizens and our infrastructure safe
- 2. Building resiliency by re-connecting neighbours
- 3. Supporting local businesses
- 4. Improving our processes to be more responsive and aligned with community priorities







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