



Stay Healthy Streets Update

Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board & Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board

1/6/21



City of Seattle

Agenda

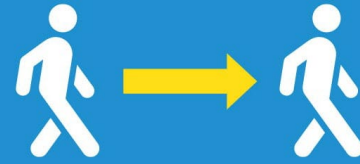
- COVID-19 response
- Temporary Stay Healthy Streets today
- Funding Stay Healthy Streets
- Permanent Stay Healthy Streets in the future
- Questions and answers

Making life easier during COVID-19

Stay Healthy and Keep Moving Streets were added to:

- Create space for you to walk and bike 6 feet apart close to home
- Connect you to groceries stores, pharmacies, and businesses
- Reduce car traffic to keep you safer while walking and biking
- Reduce crowding at destination parks

KEEP IT MOVING
Stay Healthy Streets
Keep it Distant: 6 + feet



Which kind of open street is this?

	Stay Healthy Streets	Keep Moving Streets	Stay Healthy Blocks
When did they start?	April 2020	April 2020	September 2020
What kinds of streets are they on?	Existing neighborhood greenways	Arterial and residential streets adjacent to popular destination parks	Residential streets
Who installs and maintains them?	SDOT	SDOT in collaboration with Parks & Recreation	Neighbors get a permit from SDOT and work together to operate and maintain
Are they permanent?	Working with community to select up to 20 miles	Arterial Streets: No (Lake Wa Blvd, Golden Gardens Dr., Green Lake Way) Residential street: Alki Point is exception; community engagement launches Q1	No



Today: 26 miles of temporary Stay Healthy Streets

You can still drive to your home,
have guests visit, and get mail
and deliveries



New informational sign located at street intersections

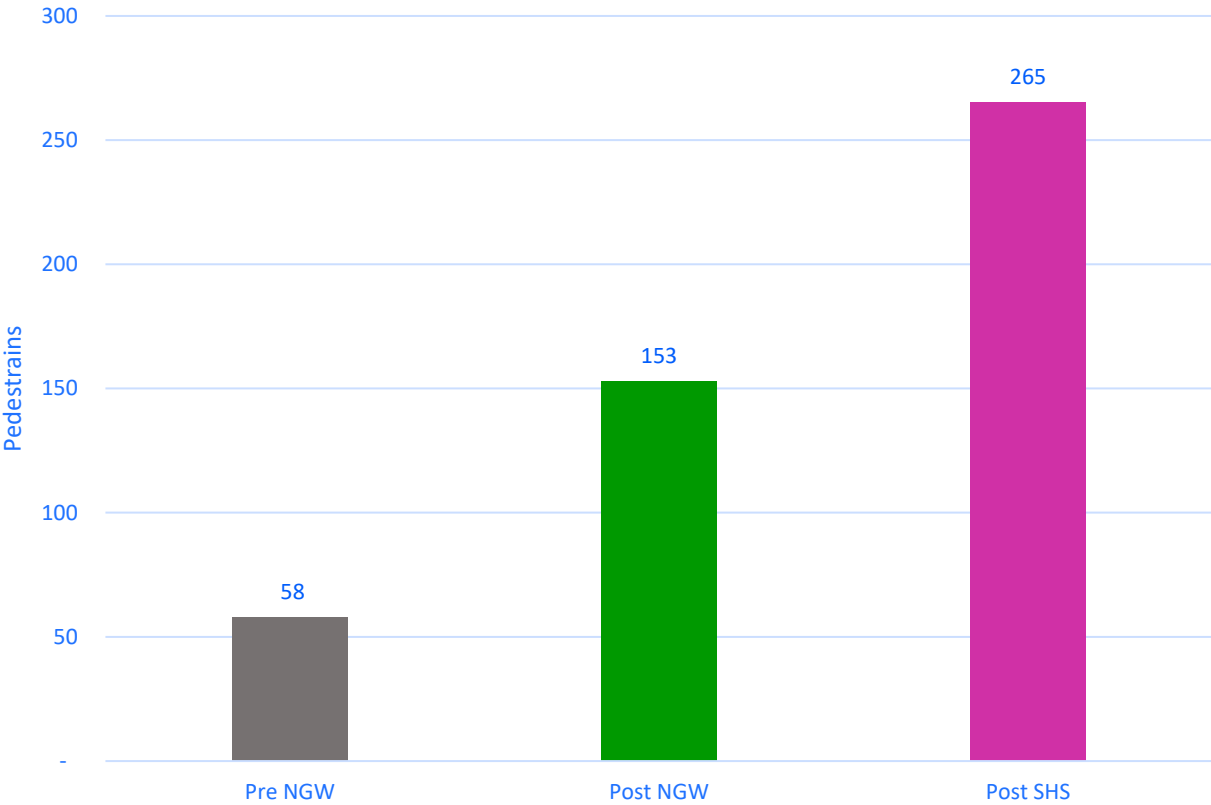
Current locations

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| 1. Lake City | 8. Alki Point |
| 2. Greenwood | 9. West Seattle/High Point |
| 3. Ballard | 10. Delridge-Highland Park |
| 4. Green Lake | 11. Beacon Hill |
| 5. Wallingford | 12. Rainier Valley |
| 6. Bell St | |
| 7. Central District | |

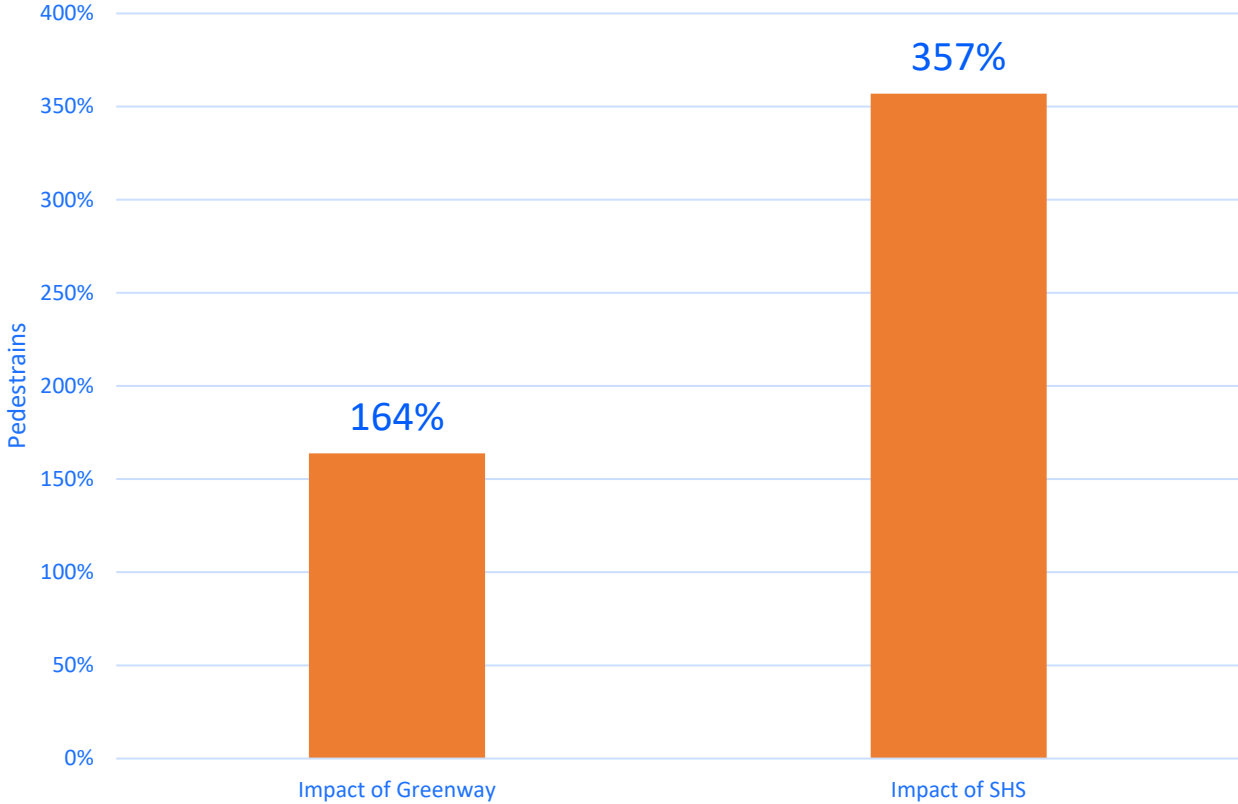


What we're learning: Pedestrian Use

Average Pedestrians
*per day/12 hr period

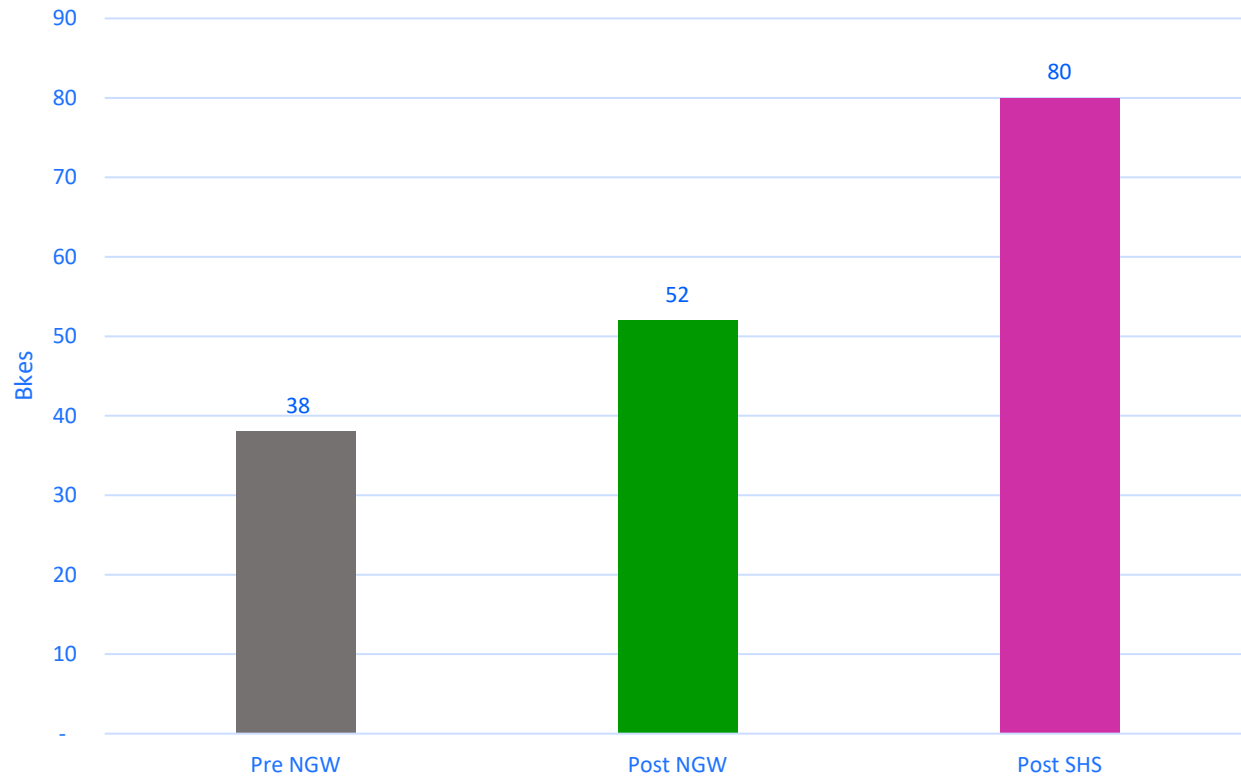


Change in Average Pedestrians
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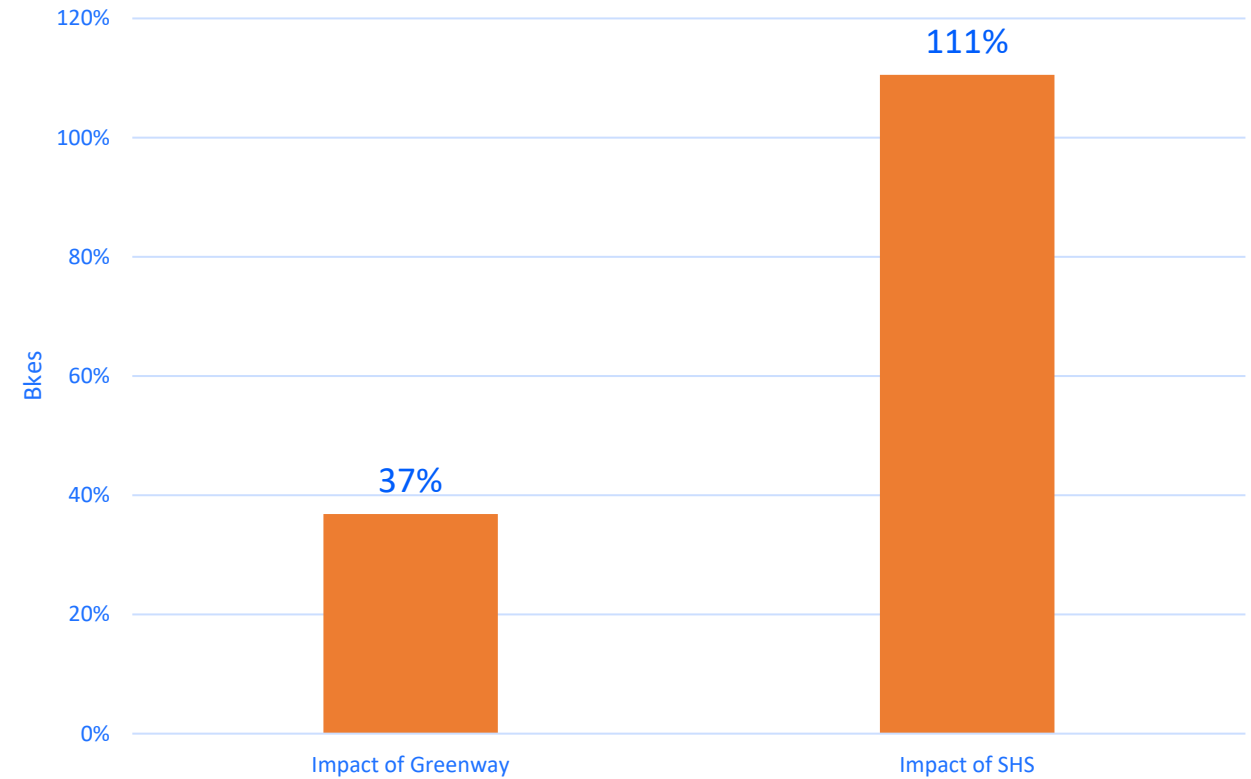


What we're learning: Bicycle Use

Average Bikes
*per day/12 hr period

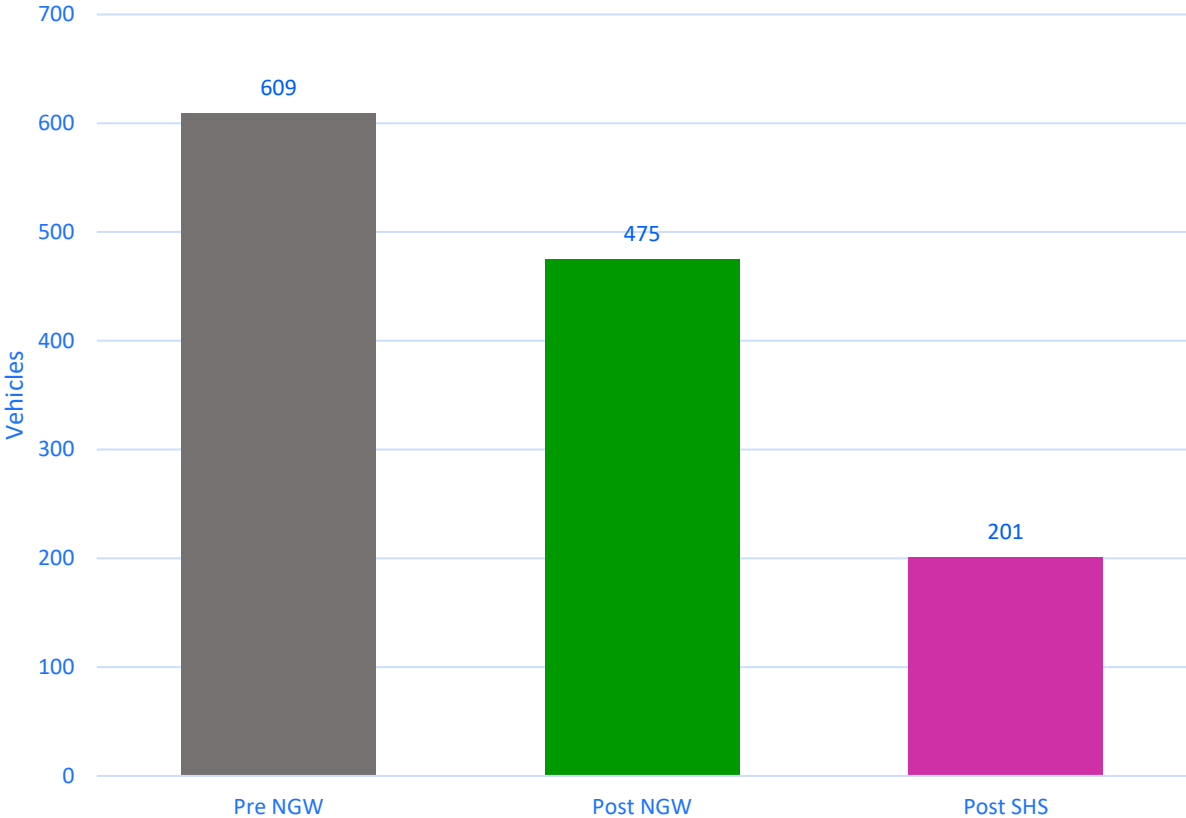


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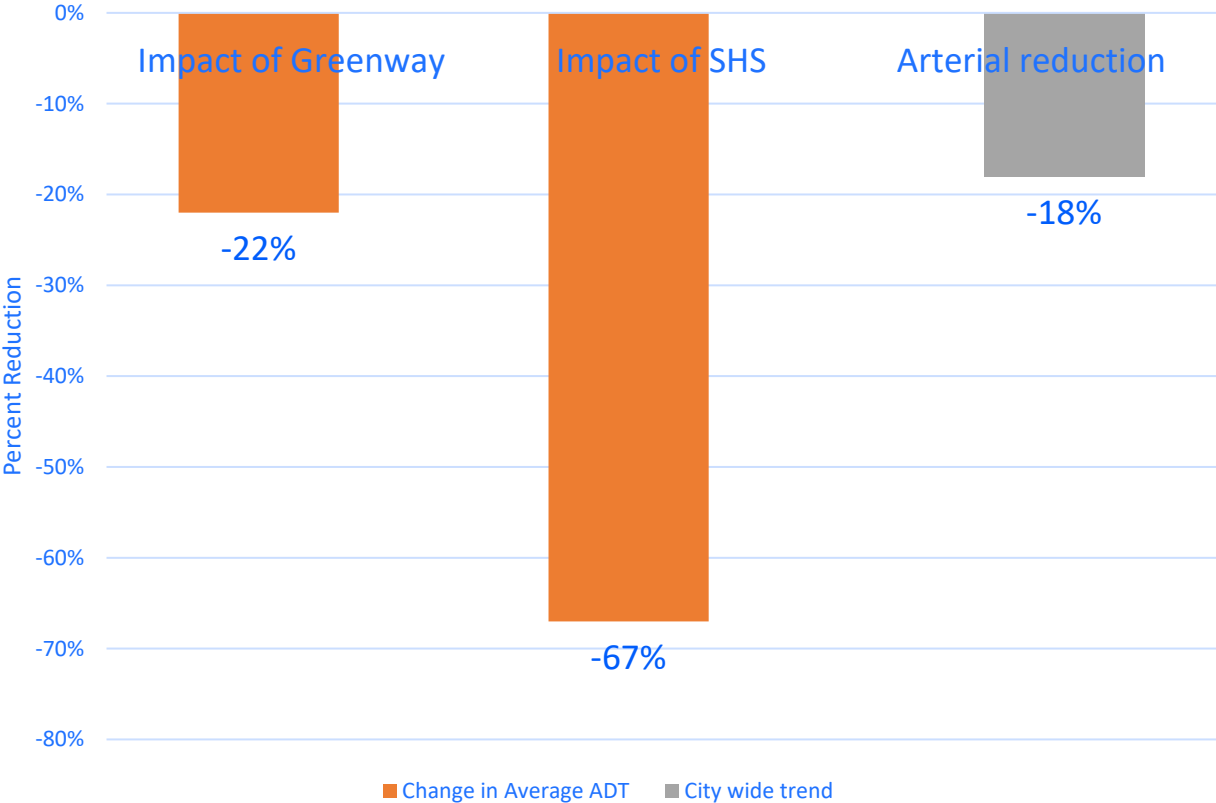
What we're learning: Vehicle Volume

SHS ADT Citywide



ADT Reduction

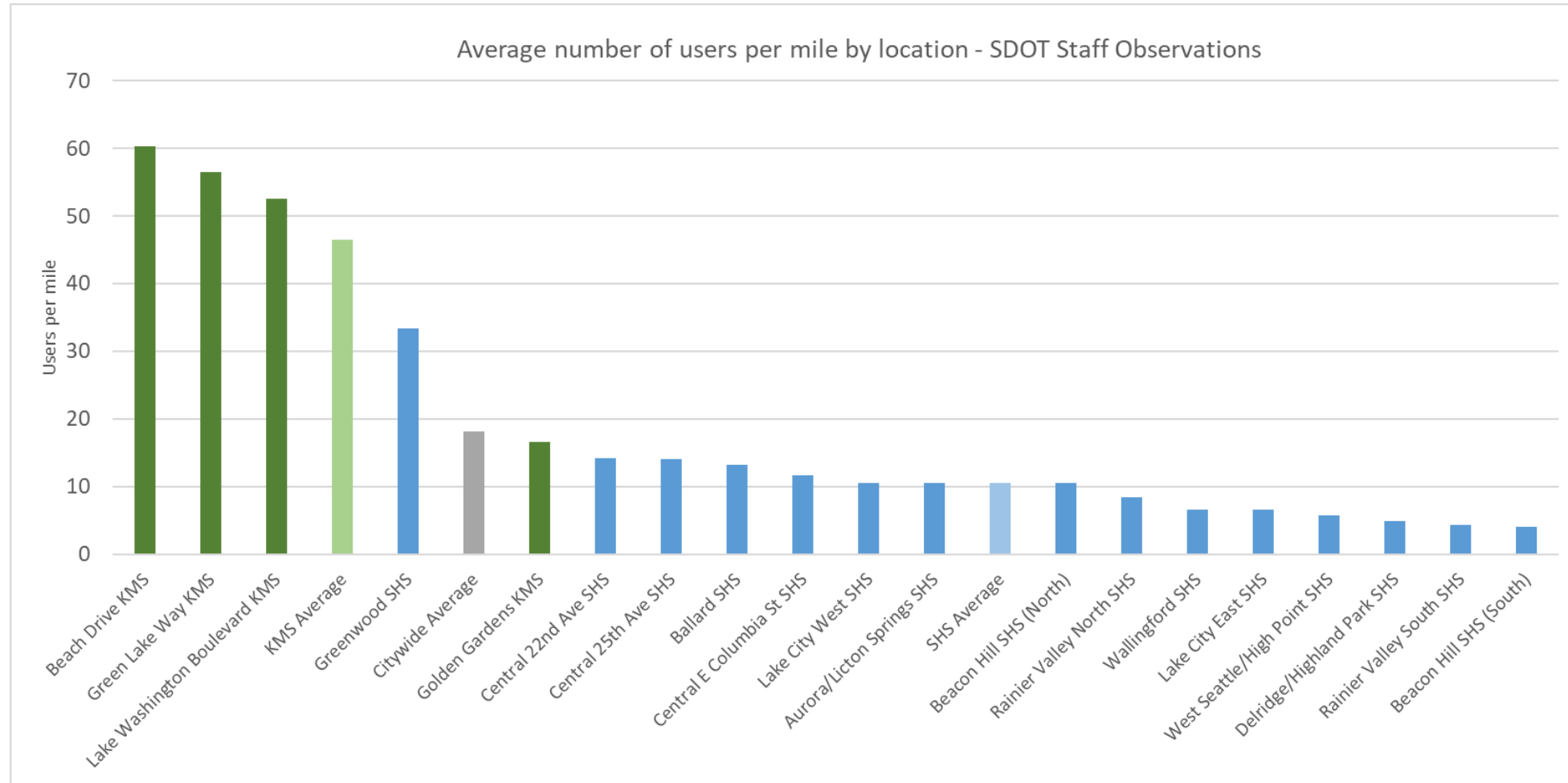
*Percent citywide



What we're learning: Observations Data

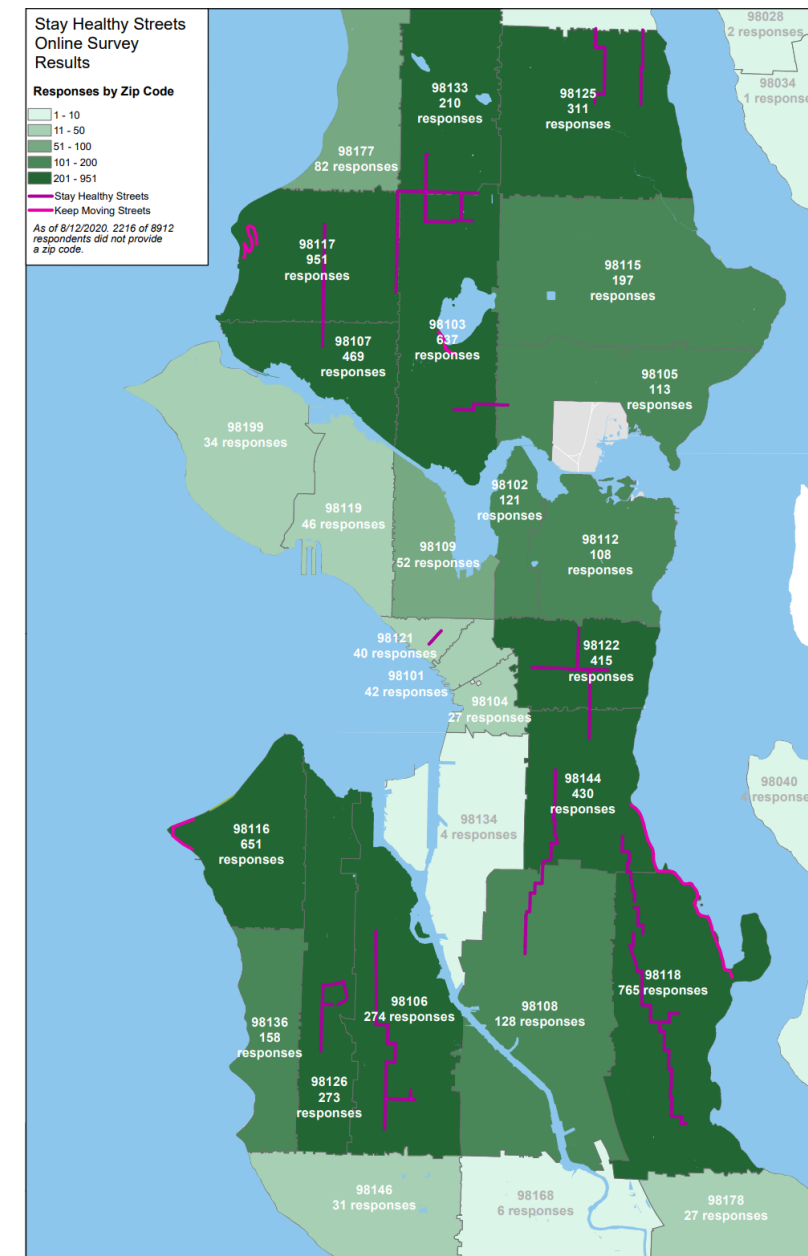
(April - August)

Green = Keep Moving Street
Blue = Stay Healthy Street



What we're learning: Survey Results

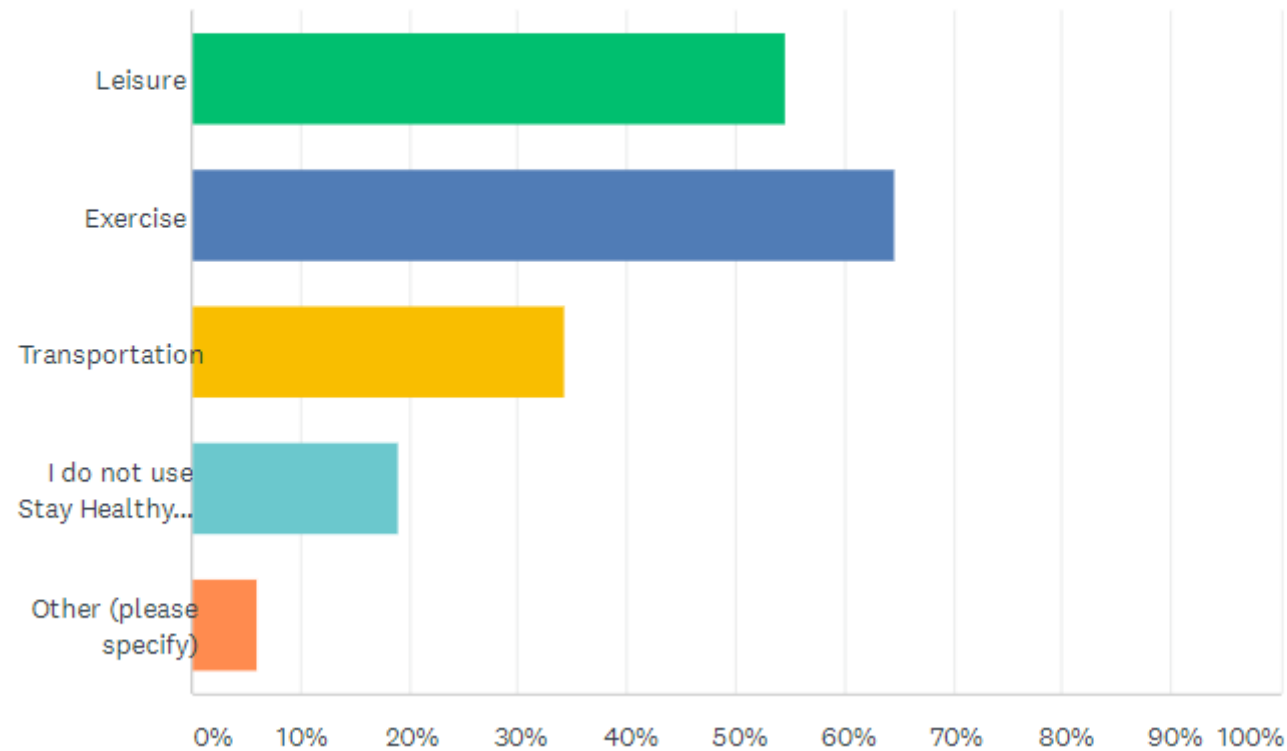
- Over 9,000 people took the survey
- Highest participation in areas with existing Stay Healthy Streets
- Primarily white respondents
- Evenly split between genders



What we're learning: Survey Results

Q7 What are you using Stay Healthy or Keep Moving Streets for?

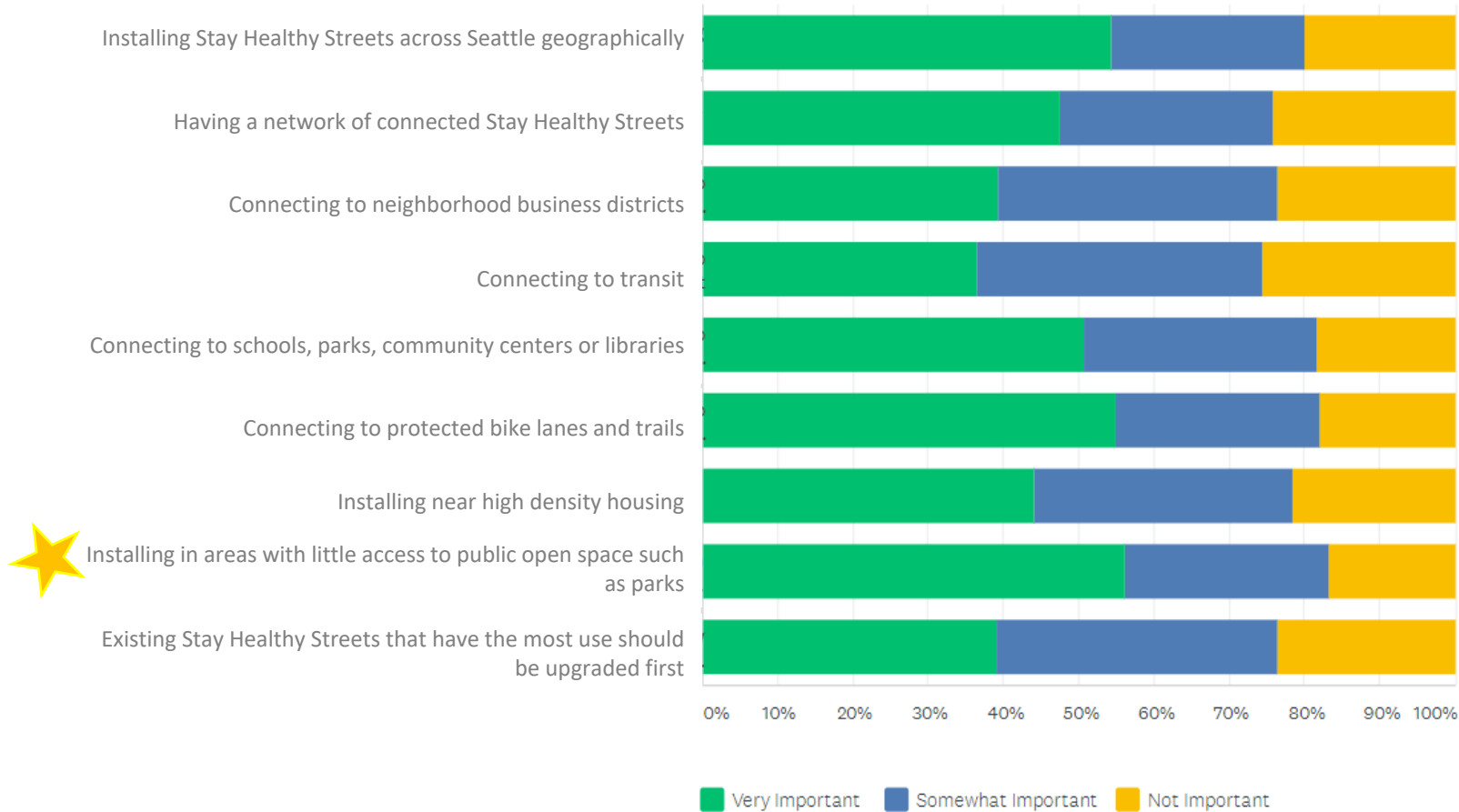
Answered: 8,642 Skipped: 635



What we're learning: Survey Results

Q19 When making the Stay Healthy Street upgrades permanent, how important would you consider the following selection criteria:

Answered: 7,275 Skipped: 2,002



In summary

- People stay 6 feet apart
- Kids use the street
- Lower car speeds and volumes
- More walking and people bicycling
- Helps people in wheelchairs and using canes
- Unclear when people can drive on routes
- People have experienced racism when driving on streets
- Need more outreach and education



Incorporating what we're learning

Community engagement:

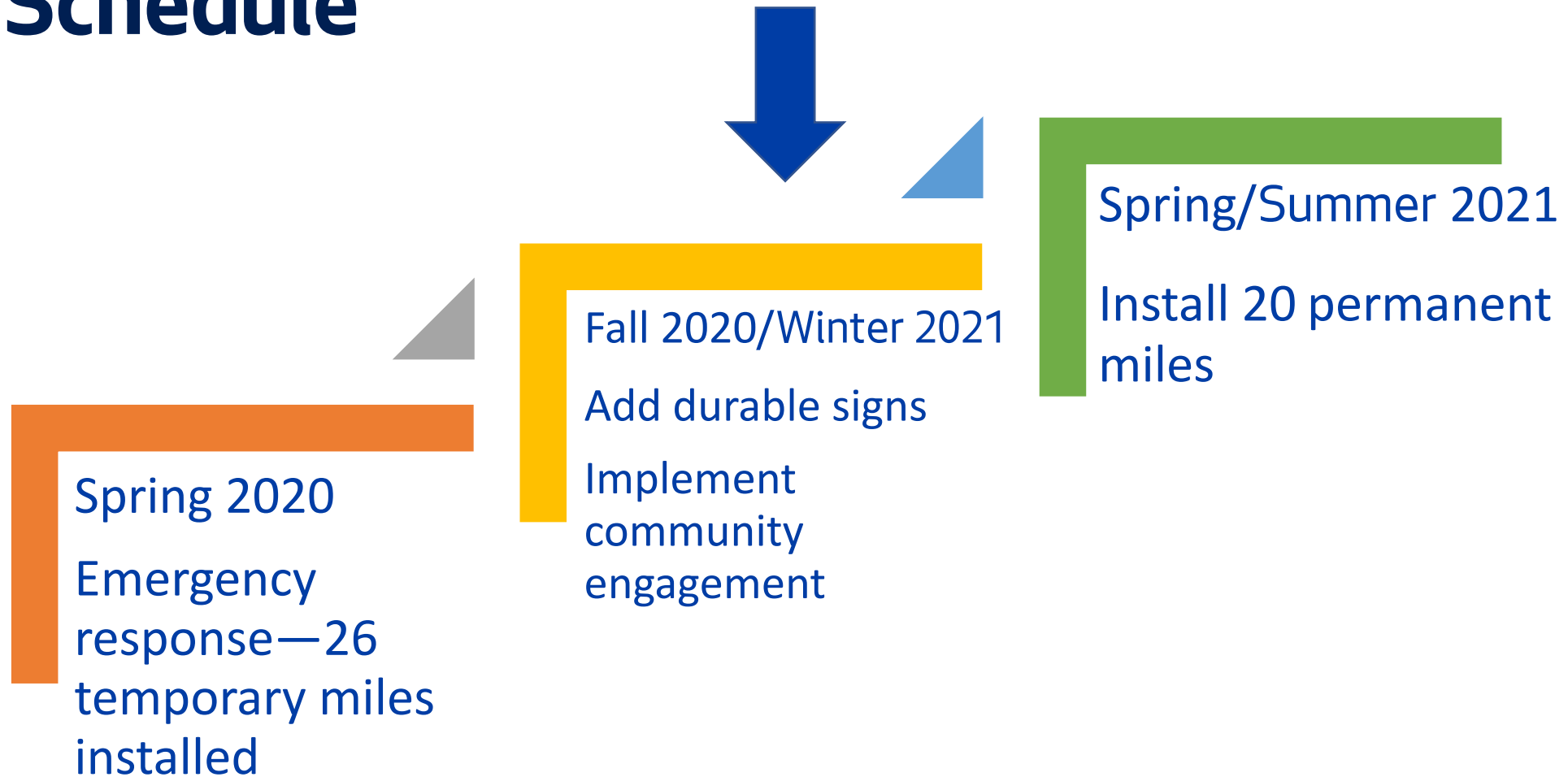
- Hosting listening sessions
- Implementing in-language videos, media, online survey, and phone line

Route and use clarity:

- Changing temporary routes to be less confusing
- Changed signs to have fewer words and more graphics
- Installed durable materials to last through pandemic



Schedule



Funding



- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act
- City's Emergency Response Funds
- Maintenance and Operations Funds



- Proposal: Review neighborhood greenway projects no longer projected for construction by 2024 and consider shifting funds

Proposal: Levy to Move Seattle

- New deliverable: 20 miles of **permanent Stay Healthy Street**
- Supports master plan goals of increasing walking and biking
- Installs new routes in underserved neighborhoods

- Proposal
 - Shift 2.56 miles of BMP-NGW projects from “funded through construction” to “funded through design/plan”
 - Funding would remain where needed to build crossing improvements in support of planned neighborhood greenways

Project Name	NGW Miles	Existing Risk	Current Status
Central Ridge Phase 2	0.50	Schedule	Neighborhood greenway construction was planned to follow crossing improvement built with the Madison RapidRide project. BMP-NGW would continue to fund partnered crossing improvements on E Madison St and E Union St.
Thomas Street (5th to Dexter)	0.75	Budget Schedule	BMP-NGW funded early implementation of safety improvements. Does not impact other funding sources for signal at Dexter/Thomas or Thomas St Redefined.
Thomas Street (Dexter to Eastlake)	1.12	Budget Schedule	Grant applications for needed funding were not successful.
Lincoln High School Connection	0.54	Budget Schedule	Necessary crossing improvements funded by partner programs were paused due to budget.

Process for identifying permanent SHS

Begin by identifying which step your proposed Stay Healthy Street is at in this process.



Permanent SHS

- Improved safety, livability, and sustainability
- More people:
 - Celebrating their community
 - Feeling safe while they travel
 - Walking, rolling, and biking
 - What else?



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Near-term Actions:

Community prioritized Stay Healthy Streets

- Requests from underserved communities
- Pilot in 2021
- Add Neighborhood Greenway improvements at same time:
 - Stop control of intersecting streets
 - Traffic calming, like speed humps
- Collect community feedback
- Make decision on whether to make permanent

Candidates for permanent SHS

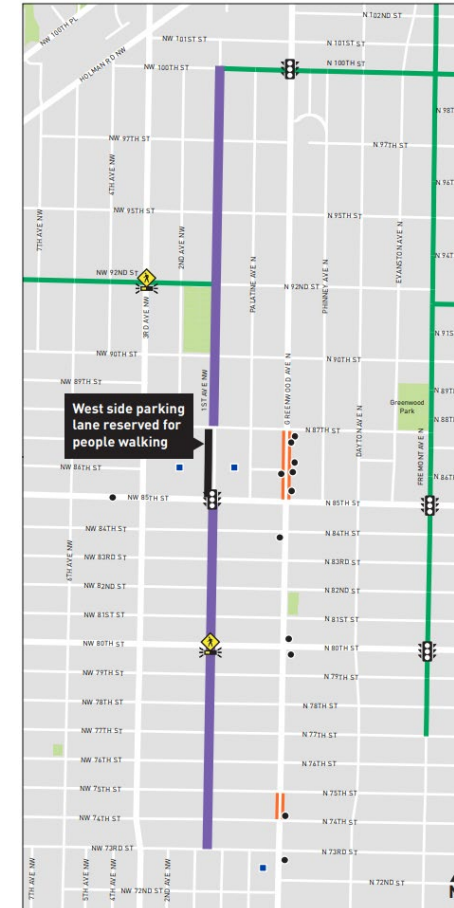
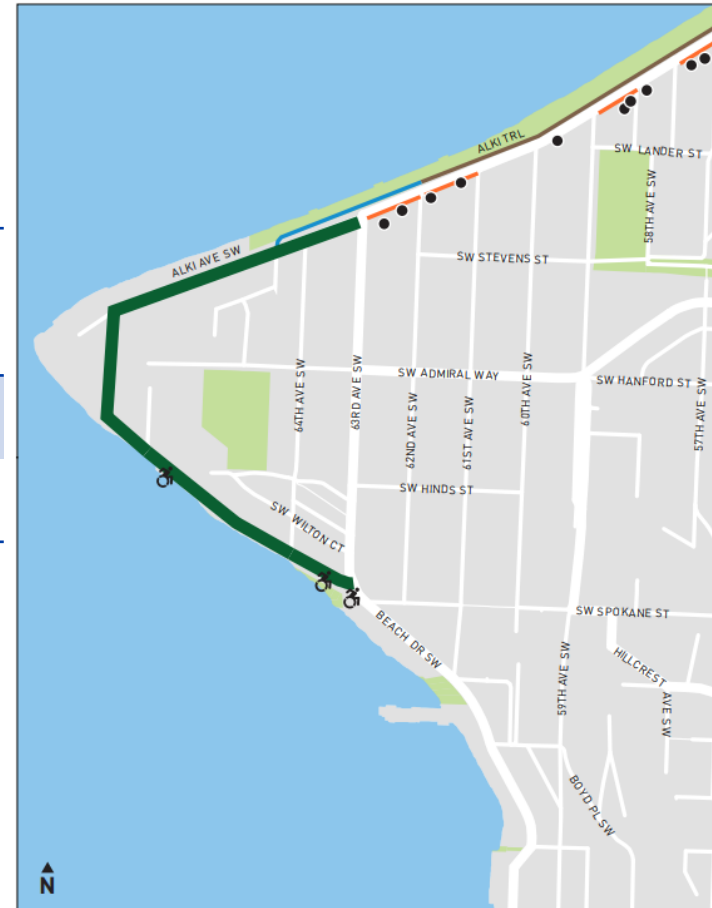
Neighborhood	NGW Miles	SHS Miles	Program
Georgetown	0.7	0.7	Reconnect West Seattle
South Park	1.1	0.4	Reconnect West Seattle
Little Brook	0.5	0.1	SHS & BMP-NGW

Near-term Actions: Community Based Design

What should individual permanent SHS look like?

Neighborhood	NGW Miles	SHS Miles	Program
Greenwood	1.4	1.2 +/-	SHS & BMP-NGW
Alki	0.7	0.7	SHS & BMP-NGW

Community engagement launches Q1 2021





Questions & Answers

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