

# Community Open House & Workshop



### 9:00-10:00 Open House 9:00-9:45 Concurrent SDOT Open House

- 10:00-10:15 Presentation
- 10:15-11:45 Action Team Discussion Prioritize Strategies Develop Actions & Build Teams 11:45-12:00 Next Step



# Passion-Empowerment-Working Together

# Why we are here today

• Turn passion into action!

# What we are going to do

- Prioritize strategies and develop actions
- Form action teams

# **Next steps**

- Strengthen action teams
- Finalize the Action Plan



# What is this project?

Create a shared vision and action plan

Focus on 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave Union-Cherry-Jackson

Work together to make things happen

Leverage Investment





Winter 2013

How did we get here?

#### **Focus Group Meetings**

- Community & housing organizations
- Property and business owners
  - (74 participants)

Business Canvassing (65 businesses)

Focus Group Group Meetings

Phase 0 Feb - Apr Public Outreach & Engagement Liaisons Outreach to under-

representative communities (80 members) **Online Survey** (42 participants)

Help us develop a meaningful and effective dialogue for the first community workshop



What is bad and need to be fixed





# **Continuous Engagement**

 Advisory Core Team (ACT)

Ensure community voice and balance of interests

 Public Outreach & Engagement Liaisons (POEL)

Under-representative community



# **Central Area is a great neighborhood for its**

- Rich history and cultural heritage
- Great diversity
- Welcoming and inclusive atmosphere
- Neighborhood feel and uniqueness
- Old and new
- Great places



# **A Destination with Unique Identity**

- Is a neighborhood that requires you to believe in it
- Has an inclusive multicultural fabric -- that welcomes all people
- Is the heart of the region's African American community.
- Has a wealth of cultural heritage -- arts, schools, library and recreation, while it also has the neighborly feel of a village
- Is authentic a gritty urban fabric, while full of mature trees and historic architecture.
- Is layered new and old; youth and elders;
- A single neighborhood with multiple business districts and to those who are committed to it, its richness is revealed.



# **Connect People and Community**

- Is rich in community assets. It has visual and performing arts programs; a continuum of educational facilities; and multiple business districts including some major employers.
- Is also a community with people from many different backgrounds.
- The opportunity is to have the assets serve and reflect the community; and for communities to have meaningful connections with each other.







# **A Great Business Community**

- Is unusual in that it has multiple discreet business districts, including 23rd Ave at Union, Cherry and Jackson.
- Together they can provide a broad spectrum of the community's goods and services, including healthy foods.
- They have different characters and have the opportunity to strengthen and solidify as distinct nodes that also work together to clearly proclaim the Central Area identity.











The neighborhood has an inviting street network that safely connects to key destinations for transit riders, bicyclists and pedestrians.



## A Place that Supports Healthy & Stable Community

- Is an inviting neighborhood that anyone can feel safe and comfortable walking around at any time of day.
- Its many parks provide ample opportunities for physical activity and social interaction.
- People can live in the neighborhood long term and feel a strong sense of community.





# What are you going to do today?

10:15-10:45am		<b>10:45-11:45am</b>	11:45am-12:00pm		
Action Team Discussion Part I		Action Team Discussion Part II	Next Step - Action team		
Continue prioritizing strategies		Develop actions & Build action teams	sign up & training		
Continue prioritizing strategies at the		Work with the whole action team or break down	Walk around each station to		
top interest		into small focus group to develop actions; sign up	review prioritized strategies		
ЧОМ?	If haven't done prioritzation at the open house, walk around each station to put dots on the strategies that you think should be prioritized Identify the action team of the top in- terest and likely to take specific actions Sit at the top interest table to help pri- oritize strategies	÷мон	for action teamLet the facilitator know if you want to discuss all topics as a group or focus on specific topicCome to a shared agreement with your table on how to break down for action discussionReview provided potential actions, develop ac- tions that you like to work onFill out action team sign up form	an NEXT STEP	d potential actions Sign up for action team(s) Fill out and drop off RSJI form Check back for August action team training



# Thank you!