



City of Takoma Park

## **Council Retreat – January 16, 2021**

### **Housing and Economic Development Strategic Plan**

#### **The Role of Planning:**

Planning provides the physical and policy context for the Housing and Economic Development Strategic Plan with a focus on these Council priorities:

- A Livable Community for All
- Environmentally Sustainable Community
- Engaged, Responsive, Service-oriented Government
- Community Development for an Improved and Equitable Quality of Live



#### **Highlights of 2020 and a Look at 2021**

##### **Grants:**

[Safe Routes to School](#) - ongoing

[New Ave Bikeways](#) - MD Bikeways grant - ongoing

[We Belong Here](#) - America Walks grant (completed 2020) ✓

[Bus Stop Improvements](#) - MWCOG TLC grant\_ (completed 2020) ✓

[Maple Avenue Complete Street](#) – MWCOG TLC grant – (2021)

[Maryland State Arts Council](#) - ongoing

[Community Development Block Grants](#) – ongoing

## Transportation Planning: Improvements to pedestrian, bike and transit access



- [Bus Stop Improvements Study](#) ✓
  - Installation of shelters - underway
  - ADA compliance and more shelters – underway
- [New Ave Bikeways Project](#)
  - Section A Design – 60% ✓
  - Section B Design – 60% underway
  - Section A Design – 100% grant awarded

## Placemaking and Race Equity



- [We Belong Here: The Takoma Park Equity Walk](#) ✓
- [Takoma Park Demographics Maps](#) ✓
- [Public Space Management Plan – underway](#)
  - [Park Inventories Study](#) ✓
  - [Park Proximity Study](#) ✓
  - On-line survey
  - Draft recommendations and public engagement

## Community Development, Planning, and Arts:



- Maple Avenue Complete Streets – COG grant, underway
- Minor Master Plan for Maple Avenue – beginning
- Development review projects - ongoing
- [Laurel Avenue closure](#) ✓
- [Public Art as community development](#)
  - Public Art Works – underway
- Streetscape Manual update ✓