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UPPER DARBY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Safe Routes to School Initiative - Updates

August 24, 2021



Background

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a national and international movement to create safe, convenient and healthy opportunities for children to walk and bicycle to school as there are many benefits.

Why did we do this?

- Recommend Safe Walking Routes to Our Students
- Optimize the District's 80 Crossing Guards Locations
- Provide Clear Guidelines between Walk/Bus zone for all Public Schools

The School Board approved the project and the contract with CHPlanning in May 2021.



Scope of Work - Participating Schools

Included the Project

	School Name	in the Project	
1	Kindergarten	NO	
2	Aronimink Elementary	✓	
3	Bywood Elementary	✓	
4	Garrettford Elementary	✓	
5	Highland Park Elementary	✓	
6	Hillcrest Elementary	✓	
7	Stonehurst Hill Elementary	✓	
8	Westbrook Park Elementary	✓	
9	Primos Elementary	✓	
10	Senkow Elementary	NO	
11	Charles Kelly Elementary	NO	
12	Beverly Hills Middle	✓	
13	Drexel Hill Middle	✓	
14	Upper Darby High	✓	

100% of students attending Kindergarten Center, Senkow, and Charles Kelly are bused.



Scope of Work – Data Gathering

School Catchment / Boundaries	US Census Demographic Data	
Current Crossing Guards	Traffic Volumes	
School Location & Profile	Speed Limits	
Student Locations	Transit Routes	
Vehicle / Bike Crash Locations	Transit Stops	
Crime Hotspots	Sidewalks	
Sex Crime Offenders	Crosswalks	
Crime Incidents	Level of Traffic Stress	
Parks and Playgrounds	Trails	
Traffic Control Devices	PennDOT Hazardous Areas	
Land Use		

Internal Source

External Source



Scope of Work – Expert Interviews and Community Input

Expert Interviews

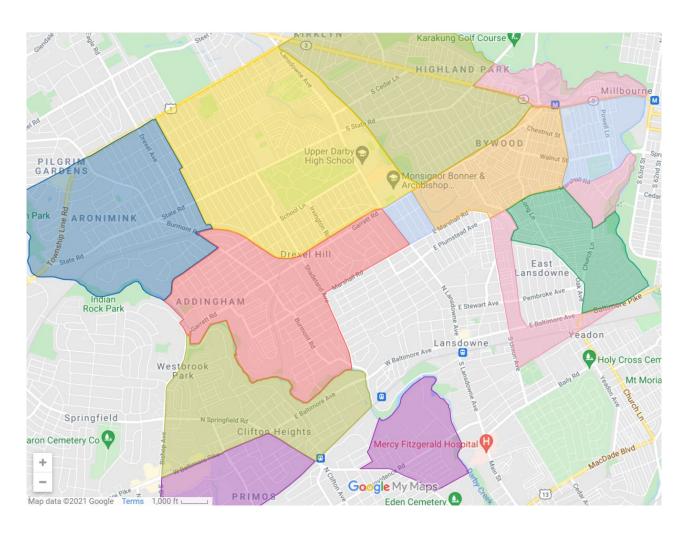
Community Input

UDSD School Security Team	Parent Survey
UDSD Transportation Team	Principal Interview / Review
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Scope of Work - Walking the Streets



The Project Team Members from CHPlanning and Transportation Department walked various streets of Upper Darby School District.

While they were walking the streets and documenting various street attributes, the team members were engaging with community members.



Scope of Work – Data Analysis



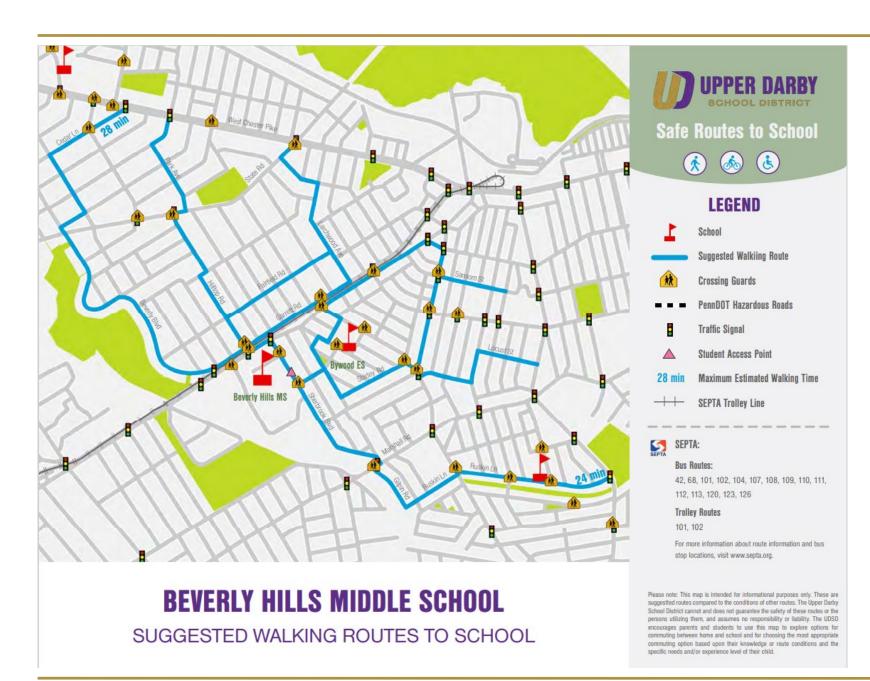
Incorporate	Use	Recommend	Review Recommendations
Data Gathered	SRTS Walking Route Resources and Best Practices	Crossing Guard Locations (Remain, Remove, or New)	Experts
Expert / Community Input	SRTS Crossing Guard Guidelines and Best Practices	Safe Walking Routes to School	Principals
Walk Streets	Experience and Expertise from CHPlanning Team		



Final Results

The Maps will be available in the District's Transportation Page: Here

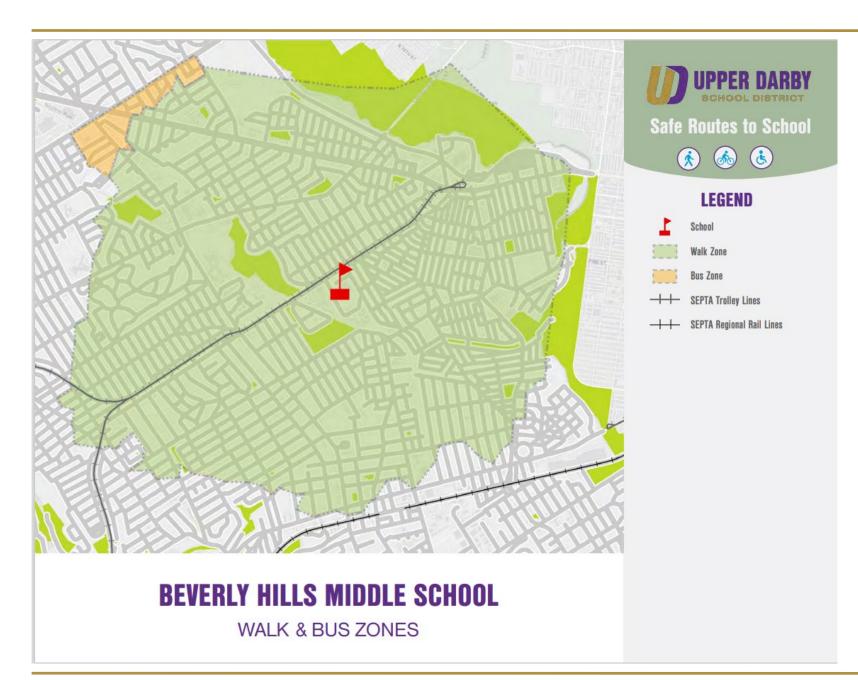






How to Use the Map -

Beverly Hills Middle Front of the Map





How to Use the Map -

Beverly Hills Middle Back of the Map



What's Next?

- Communicate the final maps to parents via various modes
- Continuously Update and Enhance the map based on comments, concerns and suggestions from parents, schools, and community members
- Launch Transportation Safety Team that will visit our schools and teach students how to be safe on the streets and in/around vehicles
- Continue Collaborating with partnership organizations in the region



Questions?