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- Questions: Please leave any questions in the Q&A box.



## Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Project Overview: SS4A
- Building the Team & Designing the Engagement Strategy
- Outreach & Engagement Efforts: What Worked?
- From Data to Action: Analyzing Results
- Outcomes, Funding, & Next Steps
- Q&A Session & Closing



## **Meet Your Guests Speakers**

Joy, Shari, Jon, and Eagle



Joy Stuart

Senior Communications
 Officer

City of Amarillo



Community
Engagement Manager
City of Amarillo



Jon Barnes
Grants and Special Projects
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City of Amarillo



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Senior
Associate

The Goodman Corporation

### Amarillo, Texas

- Over 200,000 residents and growing 14th largest city in Texas
- The main city for the Texas Panhandle
- A diverse community and landscape: historic districts, modern developments, longestablished cultural communities, expanding housing, industrial areas, and active railroads
- Home to the famous Route 66 and Cadillac Ranch
- Just 20 minutes from the 2nd largest canyon in the U.S.
- Major transportation corridors, including I-40 and I-27
- \*\* A community with a high reliance on driving, with walking, biking, and public transit playing important roles



## **Working Together**





### The Power of Communication Teams

Municipal programs and initiatives need clear, strategic communication.

- Clear, concise copy
- Creative, engaging designs
- Strong branding
- Well-defined audience
- Effective engagement toolbox
- Consistency and repetition
- Flexibility to adapt as needed





#### Focus on the Goals

#### Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program

#### **Opportunity**

\$5 billion in available funding (2022-2026)

#### **Mission**

Create safer streets for all residents through data-driven strategies and policies

#### Vision

Reduce severe and fatal crashes by 35% by 2035





# **Building on Success**



The Safe Street and Roads for All Plan was built on the foundation of the successfully adopted City Plan – Vision 2045.

#### **Engagement**



100,000+ households mailed

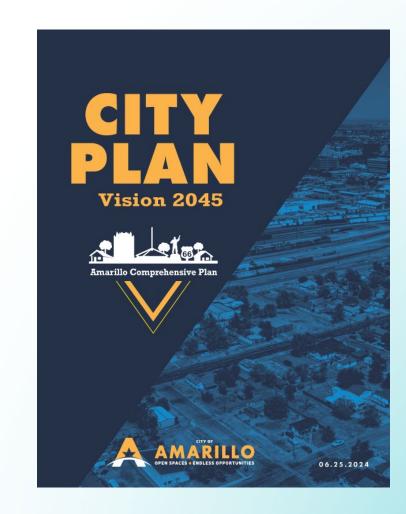
4,000 + active participants

#### Awards **\***

Community Engagement Plan — **3CMA** (City-County Communications & Marketing Association)

Comprehensive Planning Award — **American Planning Association – Texas** 

Outreach/Campaign — **TAMIO** (Texas Association of Municipal Information Officers)





# **Stronger Together**





# Pinning Down the Engagement Tool

- Initial Idea: Need for input using a survey
- Development: Survey with a map Interactive map
- Building the Interface: Started with a community map
- **Simplification:** Focused on what data we really needed
- Final Design:
  - Fun drag-and-drop activity
  - Colorful icons
  - Basic fields
  - Clear instructions







# The Engagement Tool Comes to Life





# Communications Drive Participation















Use every communication tool to drive survey participation!



### Communications Toolbox

#### Use every communications tool to drive survey participation.

- City Email Newsletter
- City Programs/Events
- Community Connectors
- Community Events
- Council Meetings
- Facebook
- Follow-up Survey
- Handout Cards
- Instagram
- Interactive Map Survey

- Library Sessions
- Mascot: Amy the Armadillo
- Media Outreach
- Next Door Ads
- Pop-up Booths
- Posters
- QR Codes
- Targeted Email
- Website



























# In-Person Engagement













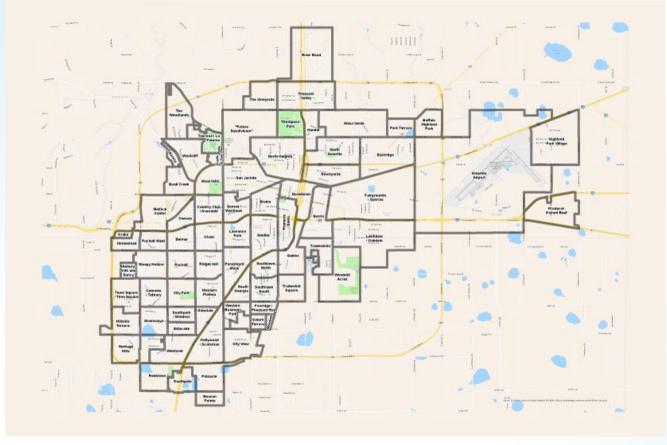


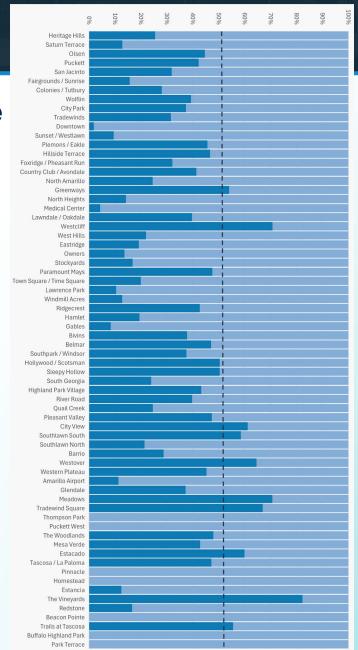
Go-to them approach!



## Track and Pivot

Tracking the source of engagement to ensure we're reaching all areas of Amarillo.



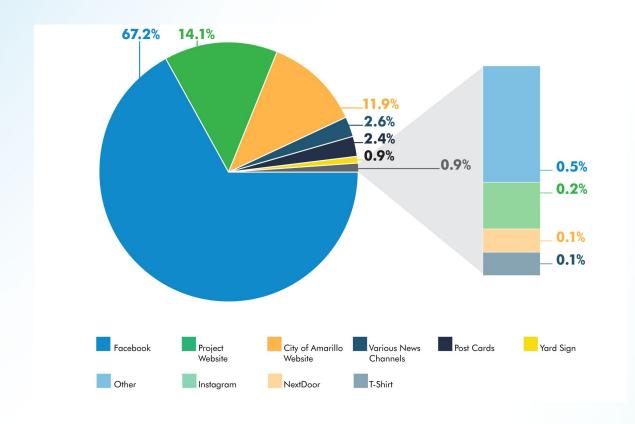


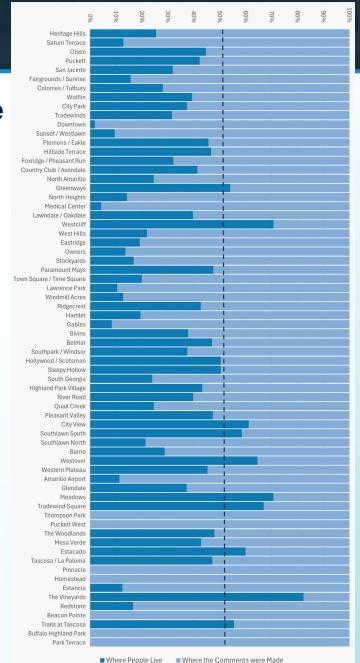
■ Where People Live ■ Where the Comments were Made



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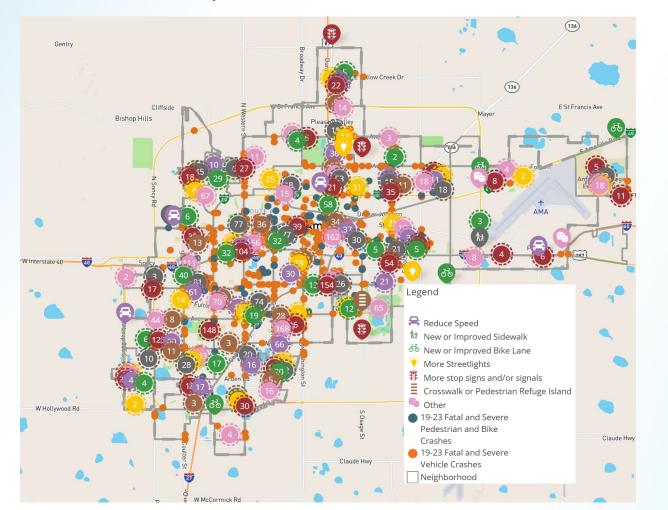






# Unprecedented Engagement

6,880 Unique Users 4,771 Comments



AMA Survey Collected 618 responses less than 24 hrs

544
477
Total Visits • Unique Users •

9:29
Avg Time (min) • Unique Stakeholders

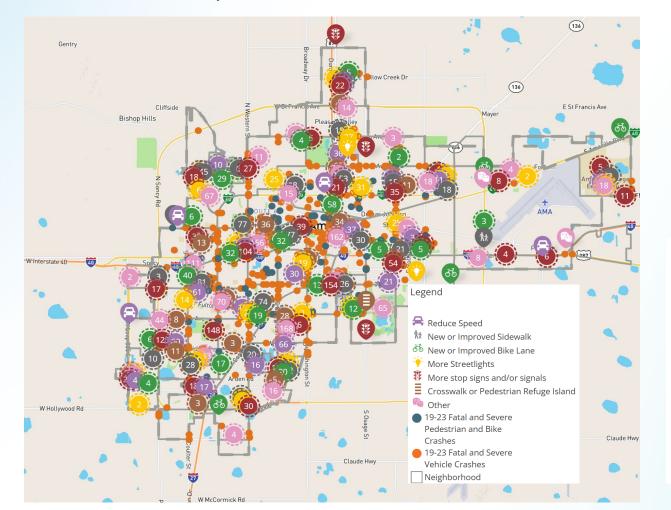
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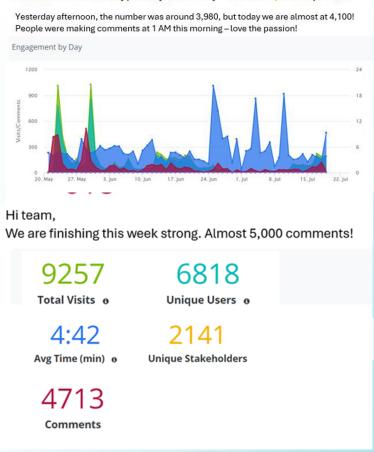
FYI, 3,137 comments collected!!



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Amarillo SS4A Survey Today is the day - Almost 4,100 Reponses



# Unprecedented Engagement

# 6,919 Responses Collected

Interactive Map	4,775
interactive map	7,110

Online Survey 1,4	0	4
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Open House	<b>253</b>
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© Project Ranking Online 445

Plan Draft
42



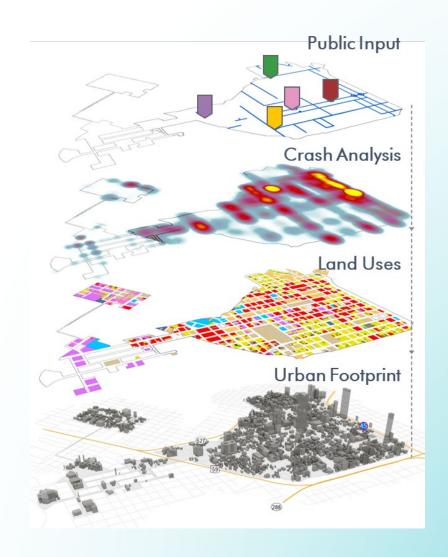
# Shaping the Plan





**Community Engagement** 

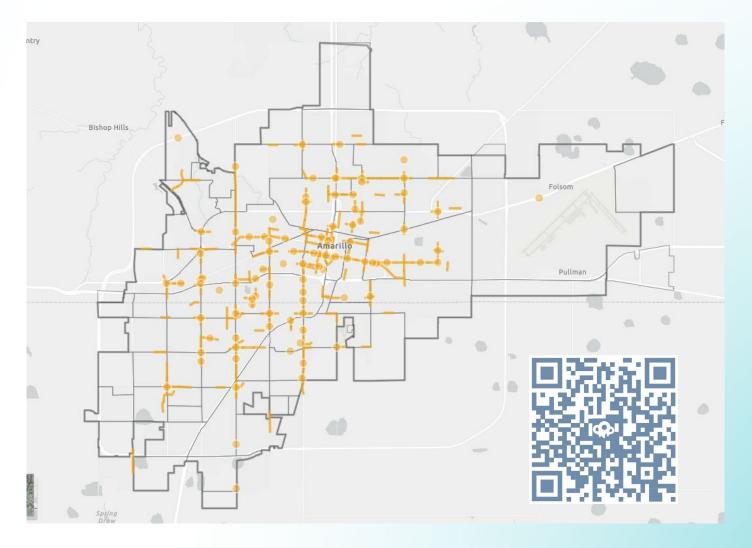
**Engineering Analysis** 





# **High Injury Network**

The High Injury Network (HIN) is a critical tool used in roadway safety analyses to help identify and prioritize roadways and intersections with the highest concentrations of severe and fatal crashes. It focuses both on vulnerable users (pedestrians and cyclists) and all roadway users.



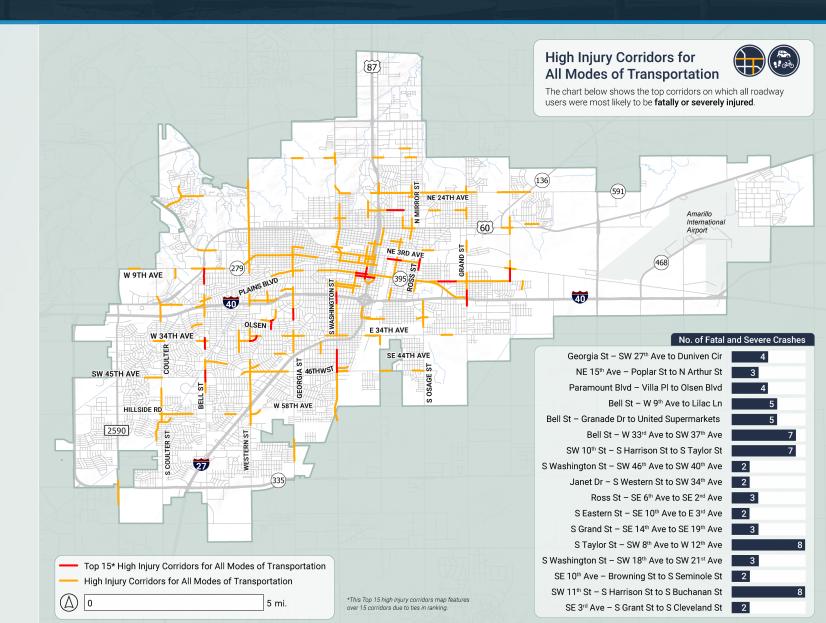


## HIN Corridors - All Modes





60.4% of fatal and severe crashes occurred on just 8.7% of Amarillo's roadways.





# Shaping the Plan

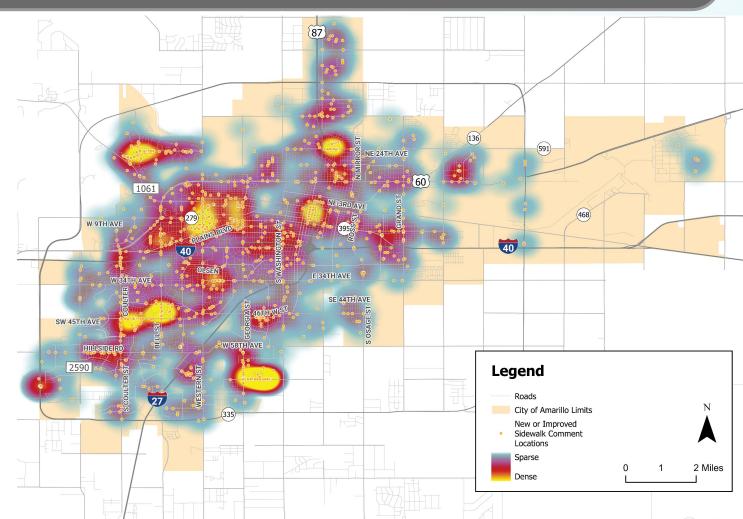


### New or Improved Sidewalk

#### **Heat Map**

1,098 Total Comments

Focused on school and student safety





# Shaping the Plan



### Reduce Speed

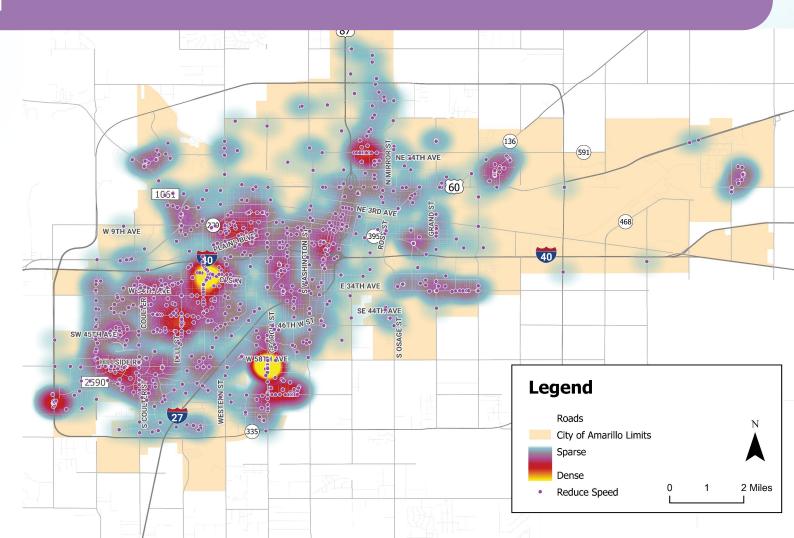
#### **Heat Map**

907 Total Comments

Slow down traffic near major destination areas

Slow down traffic near schools

Speed reductions on major arterials





# **Actionable Projects**

#### Design data-driven actionable projects tied to funding matrix.



**Cross Section with Separated Share Use Path** 



**Reverse Angle Parking with Sidewalk** 



Tuff Curb Roundabout & Pocket Park



Cross Section with Sidewalk and On-Street Bike Lane



# Project Background





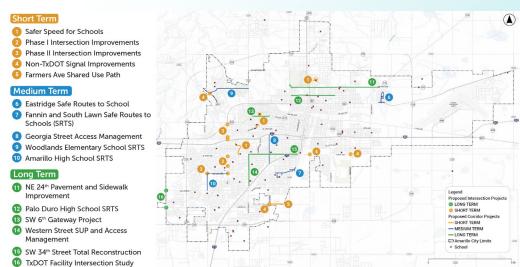
#### **Data Analysis**



#### **Community Engagement**

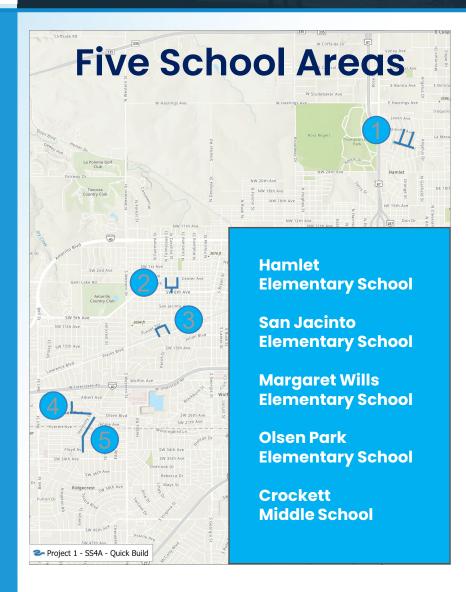


#### What did we propose?





# Safer Speed for Schools





#### SS4A Demonstration Grant (Quick Build)

- Quick, pilot project: paint, post, and rubber nothing permanent
- Project size needs to be smaller in size ~ \$500k

Lead Applicant	Project Title	Application Type		Funding Award
City of Amarillo	City of Amarillo Safer Speeds for Schools	Conduct Demonstration or Other Supplemental Planning Activities (only)	Urban	\$523,440



# **Project Development**

#### **Short Term**

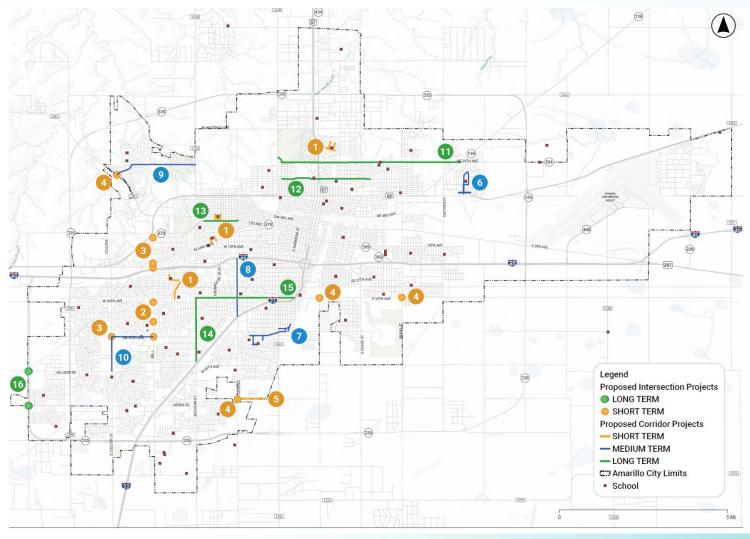
- Safer Speed for Schools
- 8 Phase I Intersection Improvements
- 👸 🗿 Phase II Intersection Improvements
  - 4 Non-TxDOT Signal Improvements
  - 5 Farmers Ave Shared Use Path

#### **Medium Term**

- 6 Eastridge Safe Routes to School
- 7 Fannin and South Lawn Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS)
- 6 Georgia Street Access Management
- Woodlands Elementary School SRTS
- 6 10 Amarillo High School SRTS

#### Long Term

- NE 24<sup>th</sup> Pavement and Sidewalk Improvement
- 12 Palo Duro High School SRTS
- **6** SW 6<sup>th</sup> Gateway Project
  - Western Street SUP and Access Management
  - 15 SW 34th Street Total Reconstruction
  - 16 TxDOT Facility Intersection Study











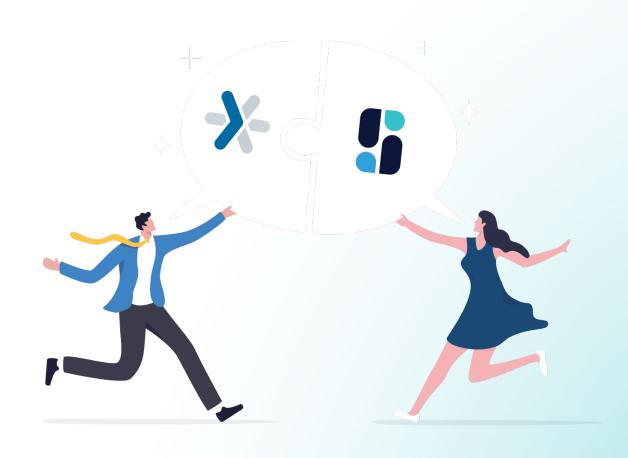




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# **Questions?**



#### **Upcoming Webinar**

Streamlining Engagement & Stakeholder Management: Social Pinpoint & Consultation Manager Integration

Wednesday, April 16 11am PST | 2pm EST (30-minute Duration)

#### Key takeaways:

- ✓ Core features of Social Pinpoint and Consultation Manager
- Strategies for collecting and managing community feedback more effectively
- ✓ Tips for automating data transfer and creating comprehensive participant records with ease
- ✓ Best practices for using both platforms to enhance communication, engagement, and reporting

#### **SAVE YOUR SEAT**





# **Thank You**

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