# DVRPC's Sidewalk Inventory Project

Kim Korejko Manager, Data Coordination Updated March 2018



#### **Three Components**

- 1. Regional GIS Dataset
- 2. Online public engagement platform
- 3. Pedestrian Facilities and Planning Portal







Photo credit: Mark Mathosian -https://www.flickr.com/photos/markgregory/28197098672

#### **Timeline**

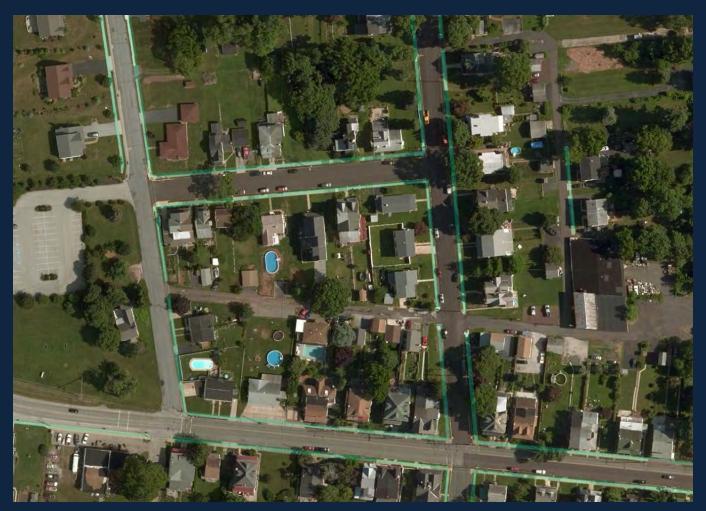


To assist with planning efforts to help communities in the region become more pedestrian-friendly and accessible, DVRPC is developing a new regional sidewalk inventory and an online platform for a shared regional conversation on local and regional walkability.



#### **Examples of Sidewalk Inventories**

#### **Chester County, PA**





#### **Examples of Sidewalk Inventories**

#### **Montgomery County, PA**





#### **Examples of Sidewalk Inventories**

In our region: Where the sidewalk ends...



# What do stakeholders want in a sidewalk inventory? SURVEY RESULTS

We surveyed <u>DVRPC staff</u> in Winter 2017 and received 32 responses

We surveyed <u>municipalities/related organizations</u> in Summer 2017 and received 140 responses

#### **SURVEY RESULTS**

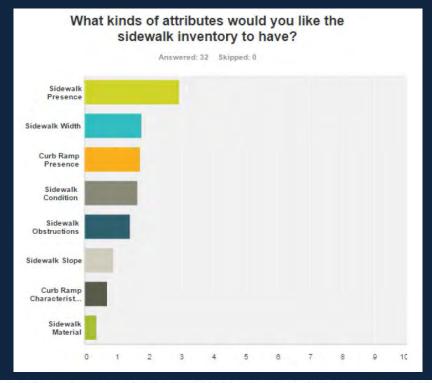


Staff responses

Municipality responses

- 8. If you had access to a sidewalk inventory, what would you use it for? (Check all that apply.) {136 responses}
  - Asset management 42%
  - Cartographic mapping (i.e. to visualize sidewalk data) 51%
  - Network routing (i.e. pedestrian routing, modeling) 57%
  - Calculation purposes (i.e. to calculate mileage and gaps; set goals for connectivity) 60%
  - Other 16%

#### **SURVEY RESULTS**

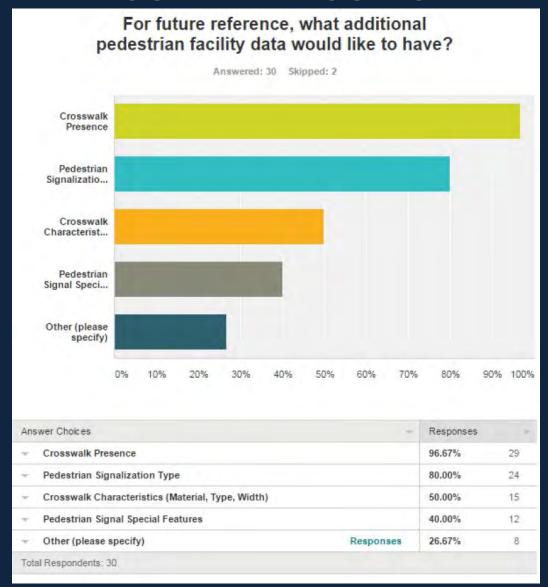


Staff responses

- 9. What attributes of a sidewalk inventory are most important to you? (Check all that apply.) {140 responses}
  - Sidewalk Presence 83%
  - Sidewalk Condition 70%
  - Sidewalk Obstructions 47%
  - Sidewalk Width 47%
  - Sidewalk Material 29%
  - Sidewalk Slope 24%
  - Curb Ramp Presence 59%
  - Curb Ramp Characteristics (Material, Type, Slope) 29%
  - Other 10%

Municipality responses

#### **SURVEY RESULTS**



Staff responses

#### **DVRPC's Sidewalk Inventory**

#### THE PLAN

- Select a consultant to create seamless, standardized GIS dataset of sidewalks in the DVRPC region
- Build from existing networks
- Create new features where datasets don't exist
- Includes the following pedestrian facilities
  - Crosswalks
  - Multipurpose trails and other non-sidewalk pedestrian facilities
  - Curb ramps/ADA pedestrian facilities

FY18: DVRPC's PA Counties

FY19: DVRPC's NJ Counties

## What we'd like to do with the regional sidewalk inventory

- Continue to improve the inventory
- Share the product with our planning partners through an online platform

## Pedestrian Facilities and Planning Portal

This portal will provide a space to allow collaboration between local and regional planning partners working on pedestrian improvements. This secure online interface will (1) provide access to and accommodate maintenance of the regional sidewalk inventory by local entities and (2) to allow local and regional planning partners to share their pedestrian facility priorities (such as those identified in their comprehensive/ master plans or those for which they seek grant funding) on an interactive map. Work will begin in Pennsylvania to support PennDOT Connects, and later be adapted as the sidewalk inventory extends into our New Jersey counties.

#### Questions?

Kim Korejko kkorejko@dvrpc.org 215-238-2936

