



# What We Heard

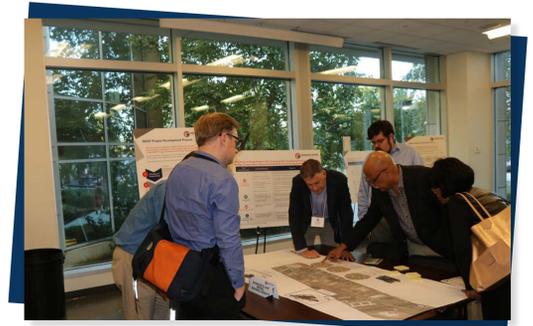
*During Open House #1 (2019)*

## Key Takeaways from Your Comments

- New and improved facilities for bicycles and pedestrians would provide positive benefits to the neighborhoods within and adjacent to the project area
- Construction impacts, property impacts, and noise are concerns of many residents living near or within the project area
- There are concerns for existing and future traffic congestion, especially in relation to potential shared-lane streetcar operations and emergency vehicle access

Many residents are supportive of the proposed project if design elements include and prioritize:

- ✓ Speed and reliability of transit, including buses
- ✓ Convenient connections to transfer to Metrobus and Metrorail service
- ✓ Improved safety along blocks and at intersections, especially for seniors and children
- ✓ Access to local businesses, landmarks, and community facilities
- ✓ Repairs to critical roadway infrastructure and bridges
- ✓ Expanded green space and trees within the streetscape zone



## Open House #1 By the Numbers

**2,600**

rack cards and 185 posters were distributed in the neighborhood



Approximately

**44,000**

social media followers were reached



**520**

members of the public were sent email notifications



**74**

community members attended the Open House



**77**

comments were submitted during the comment period



## Major Themes



### Streetscape Design

- Bus shelters
- Sidewalks and protected bike lanes
- Street lighting
- Trees and landscaping for shade



### Park Access

- New connections to Kingman Island
- Access to Anacostia Riverwalk Trail



### Transit Service

- Increased transit service in corridor
- Transit speed and reliability
- Connections to Metrorail and Metrobus



### Other

- Traffic congestion and neighborhood traffic impacts
- Vehicle speeding
- Parking and emergency access
- Construction impacts

*Note: Major themes summarized do not represent the views of all Open House #1 participants and online commenters. A full meeting summary and comment matrix is available on the project website at [www.BenningProject.com](http://www.BenningProject.com).*