Sunrise Gateway Corridor Community Visioning Project

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Description

The Sunrise Gateway Corridor, traversed by Highway 212 and 224, is an essential economic hub in Clackamas County and serves as one of the busiest freight distribution centers in the Portland Metro region and the state. This area includes a significant amount of undeveloped and underdeveloped acreage within the urban growth boundary and is projected to double in residential population over the next 20 years. Currently, the heavily congested transportation system is failing with dangerous intersections and a lack of safe crossings, pedestrian, and bicycle amenities. No formal planning or community engagement work has been conducted for this corridor in over 10 years.

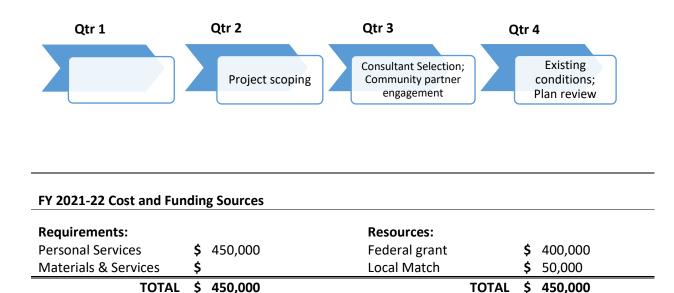
This project will initiate robust community engagement and the production of an equitable development plan for this corridor. This plan will guide future transportation, housing, and other investments in the coming years to support a vibrant, safe, and affordable corridor that serves existing and future community members, businesses, and the region.

Specifically, this effort will:

- Build trust and a common vision for the future of the corridor by deeply engaging the people who live, work, and own businesses in this corridor. Prioritize engagement with people who have historically been left out of the public process including people experiencing poverty and people of color.
- Find opportunities to optimize land use designations within the corridor to support housing options and job creation by conducting a Land Use Assessment and an Economic Competitiveness and Employment Lands Analysis.
- Protect the current residents of the area by developing and implementing an antidisplacement strategy.
- Identify barriers and develop solutions for improving community health by conducting a Community Health Assessment.
- Modernize the Transportation Vision for this corridor by understanding the community needs and getting community feedback on the current draft concept, conducting an environmental re-evaluation of proposed improvements, developing a phasing plan for the arterial network, refining the concept to match the community supported plan, creating a funding plan and updating local TSP's (Transportation System Plans) and the RTP (Regional Transportation Plan) to match the community supported plan.

Early scoping for the project is currently underway. The goal is to initiate the consultant selection process in early 2022, and begin community engagement in spring of 2022. This project will support transportation planning and comprehensive plan work underway in both Happy Valley and Clackamas County. This project supports the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan policy guidance on equity, safety, climate and congestion. This area was included in the 2018 RTP as part of Clackamas to Columbia Corridor (Mobility Corridor 24), 8.2.4.7.

The project is expected to begin in early 2022 and take 18-24 months to complete.



Key Project Deliverables / Milestones