



# **// Atlanta BeltLine Westside Trail Public Information Open House**

// Tuesday, January 14, 2014

# // Agenda



I. Welcome

II. Atlanta BeltLine Overview

III. In Corridor Trail

IV. Westside Trail Project

- Progress To Date
- TIGER Grant Funding

V. Ongoing Studies

- Environmental Review
- Design
- ROW Needs

VI. Q&A

VII. Open House



# **// Atlanta BeltLine Overview**

## // Where is the Atlanta BeltLine?

- In the heart of the Atlanta region
- Connects many of Atlanta's cultural destinations
- Utilizes historic freight rail rights of way around the center of town





## // What is the Atlanta BeltLine?

- Connects 45 neighborhoods
- 6,500 acre redevelopment area
- 22% of City of Atlanta population lives in the Atlanta BeltLine planning area
- 8% of the City's land mass is inside the Atlanta BeltLine TAD
- 40% increase in Atlanta's parkland
- 46 miles of streetscape improvements

## Overview

These are the key elements that will be developed over the life of the Atlanta BeltLine Program

**22 Miles of pedestrian friendly light rail transit**

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**33 Miles of multi-use trails**

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**1,300 Acres of Parks**

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**5,600 Units of Affordable Housing**

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**1,100 Acres of Brownfields remediated**

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**Public Art**

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**Historic Preservation**





# // The Atlanta BeltLine: Key Elements



Parks and Arboretum



Trails



Transit &  
Transportation  
Infrastructure



Jobs & Economic  
Development



Affordable Workforce  
Housing



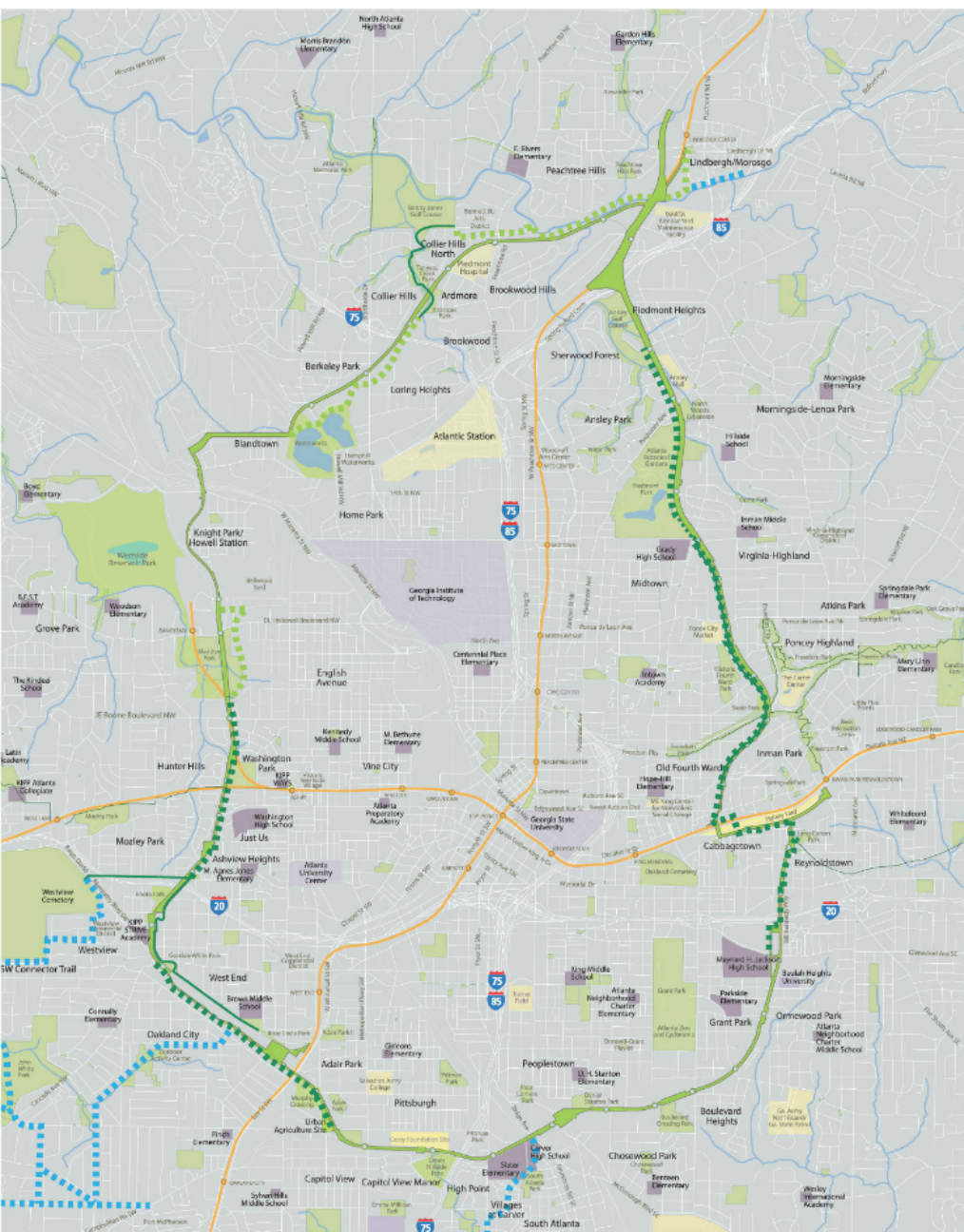
Streetscapes &  
Public Art



Historic Preservation



Environmental  
Clean-up



## // An Opportunity for Significant Impact



### D. H. Stanton Park

- 150 Bayview Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA 30315
- Rehabilitated historic structure & acres available for public use
- First emergency medical park in the City of Atlanta
- Amplifies in situ & better longer baseball diamond along with large multi-use athletic fields
- New playground with subsoil and a commissioned public work of art by Robert Rutenfranz



### Boulevard Crossing

104 Highland Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA 30315-2102

Park opened in Fall of 2010

- Five acres of new green space
- More than 20 acres of land initially required for the park by Trust for Urban Land
- Excess-sitting equals on site to forth owners through partnership with Trust for Urban Land
- Solar lamps installed to conserve energy
- Organic landscaping techniques employed to reduce maintenance costs
- More park space planned to connect the north and south boundaries of the corridor



### Historic Fourth Ward Park

680 Dallas Street, Atlanta, GA 30308

17 new acres of green space

- 3-acre lake provides a beautiful, natural gathering place while also serving as a storm water detention basin
- Open, positive towns
- Modern playground
- Splashpad
- Outdoor amphitheater



### Historic Fourth Ward Park Skate Park

630 Wiloughby Way NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Atlanta's first public skatepark

- Tony Hawk Foundation contributed \$25,000 towards the skatepark construction
- Large, multi-use athletic field + play ground
- Solar photovoltaic panels offset roughly 50 percent of the park's energy costs
- Underground cistern for all non-potable water
- Quick access to the Eastside Trail

## Trails



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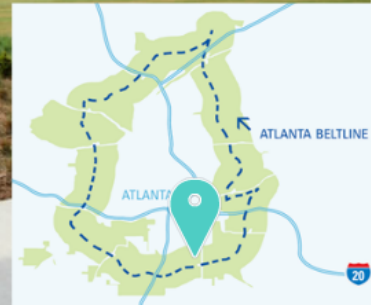
Children cool off in D. H. Stanton Park's splashpad on hot summer days.



## D. H. Stanton Park

150 Boynton Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA, 30315

- Reclaimed space features 8 acres available for public use
- First energy-cost neutral park in the City of Atlanta
- Amenities include a little league baseball diamond along with large, multi-use athletic fields
- New playground with splashpad and a commissioned public work of art by Robert Witherspoon







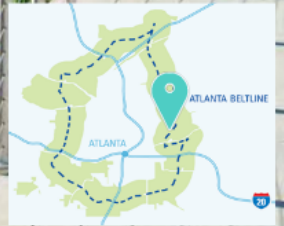
## Boulevard Crossing

504 Englewood Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA, 30315-2502

- Park opened in Fall of 2011
- Five acres of new greenspace
- More than 20 acres of land initially acquired for the park by Trust for Public Land
- Kudzu-eating goats on site to limit overgrowth through partnership with Trees Atlanta
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The 17-acre Historic Fourth Ward Park with its two-acre lake is the result of years of collaboration by the city, the community, businesses and nonprofits. Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed officially dedicated this park on June 18, 2011.



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### West End Trail

Westview Drive south of I-20 to West Marietta Street



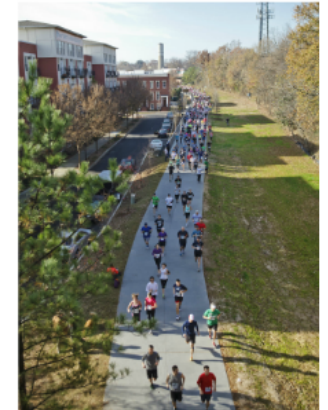
### Northside Trail

Colonial Homes Drive to Ardmore Park



### Southwest Connector

2257 Bollingbrook Drive Atlanta, GA 30311  
Connects the Lionel Hampton Trail to Westwood Ave.



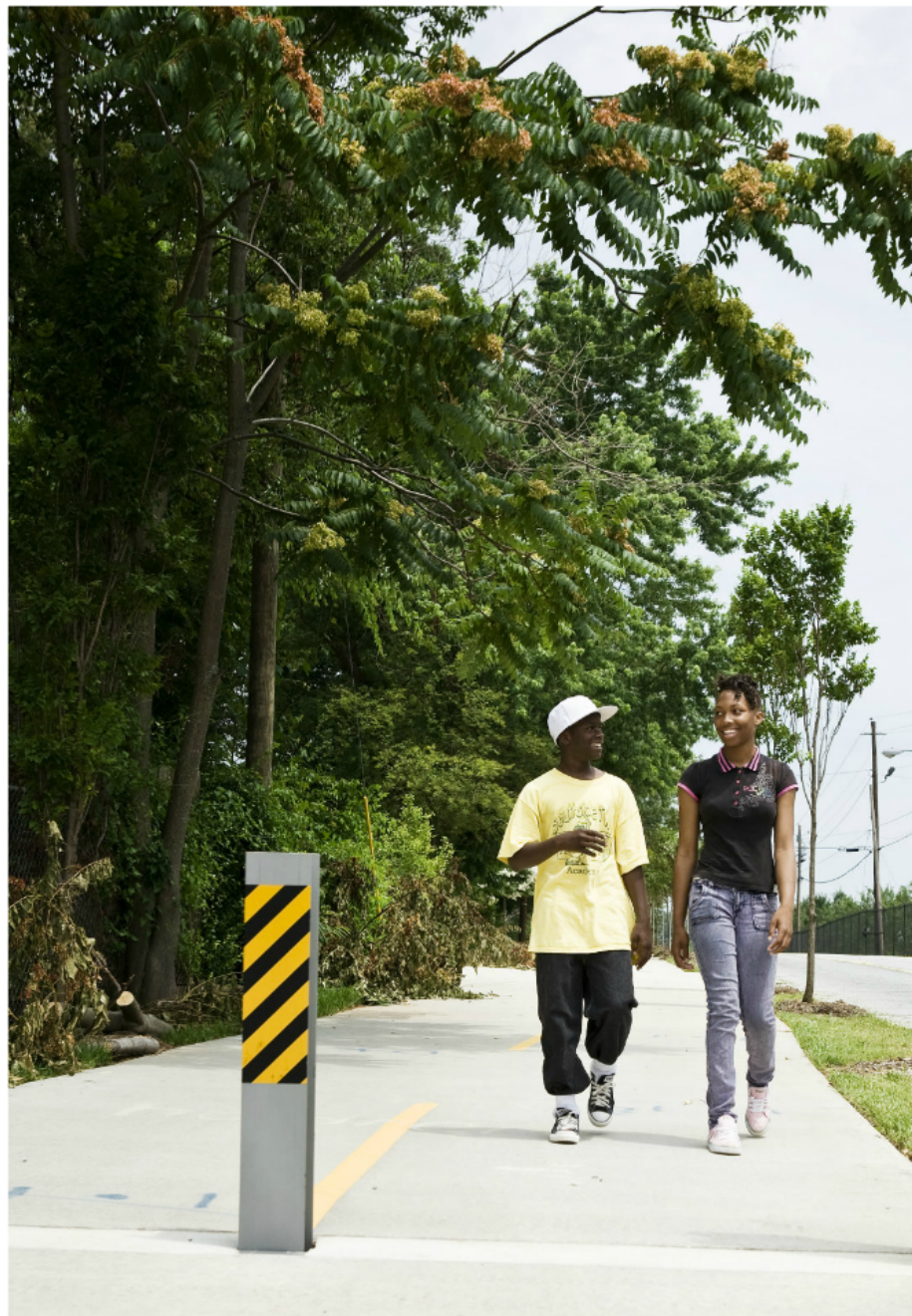
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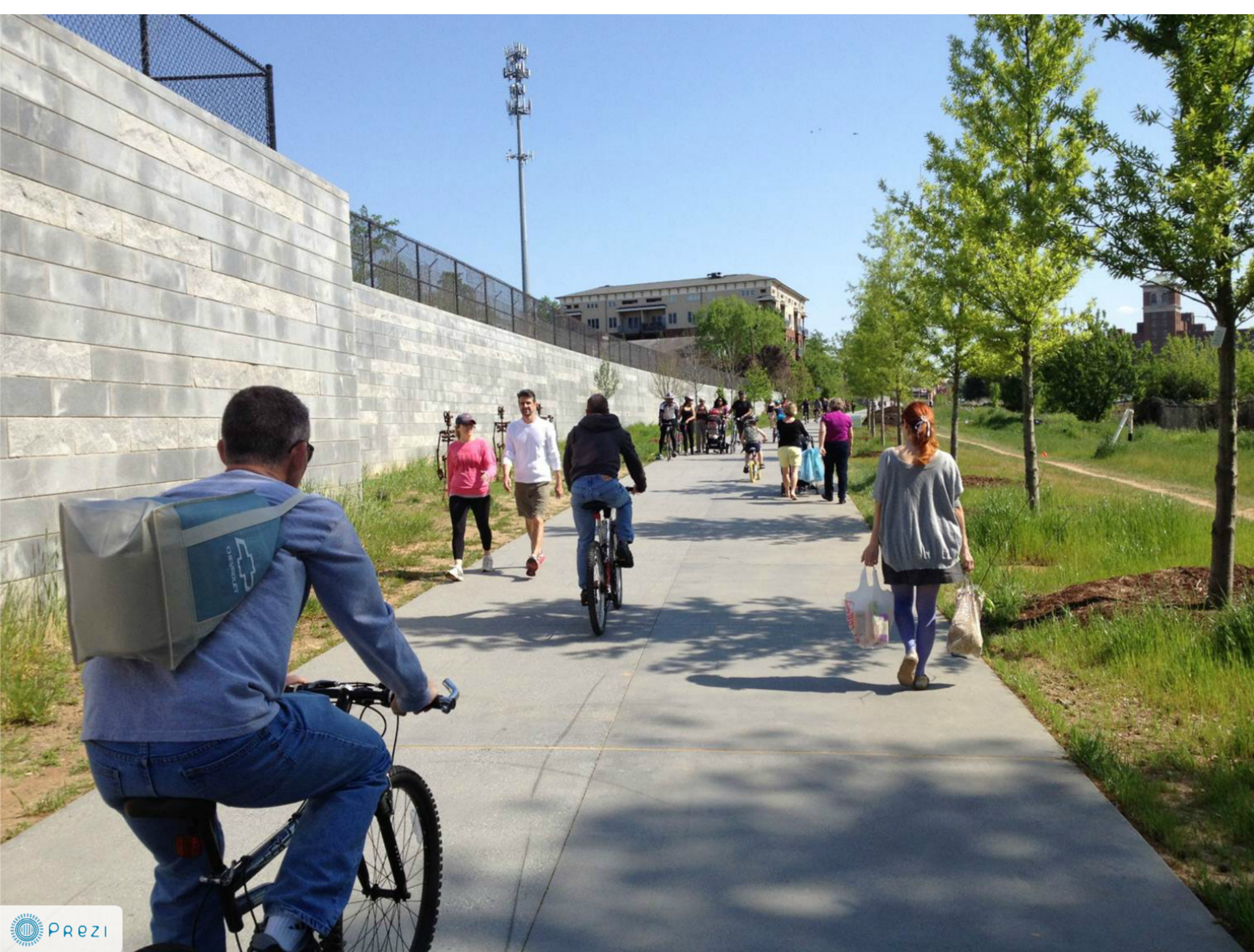


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# **// In Corridor Trail**

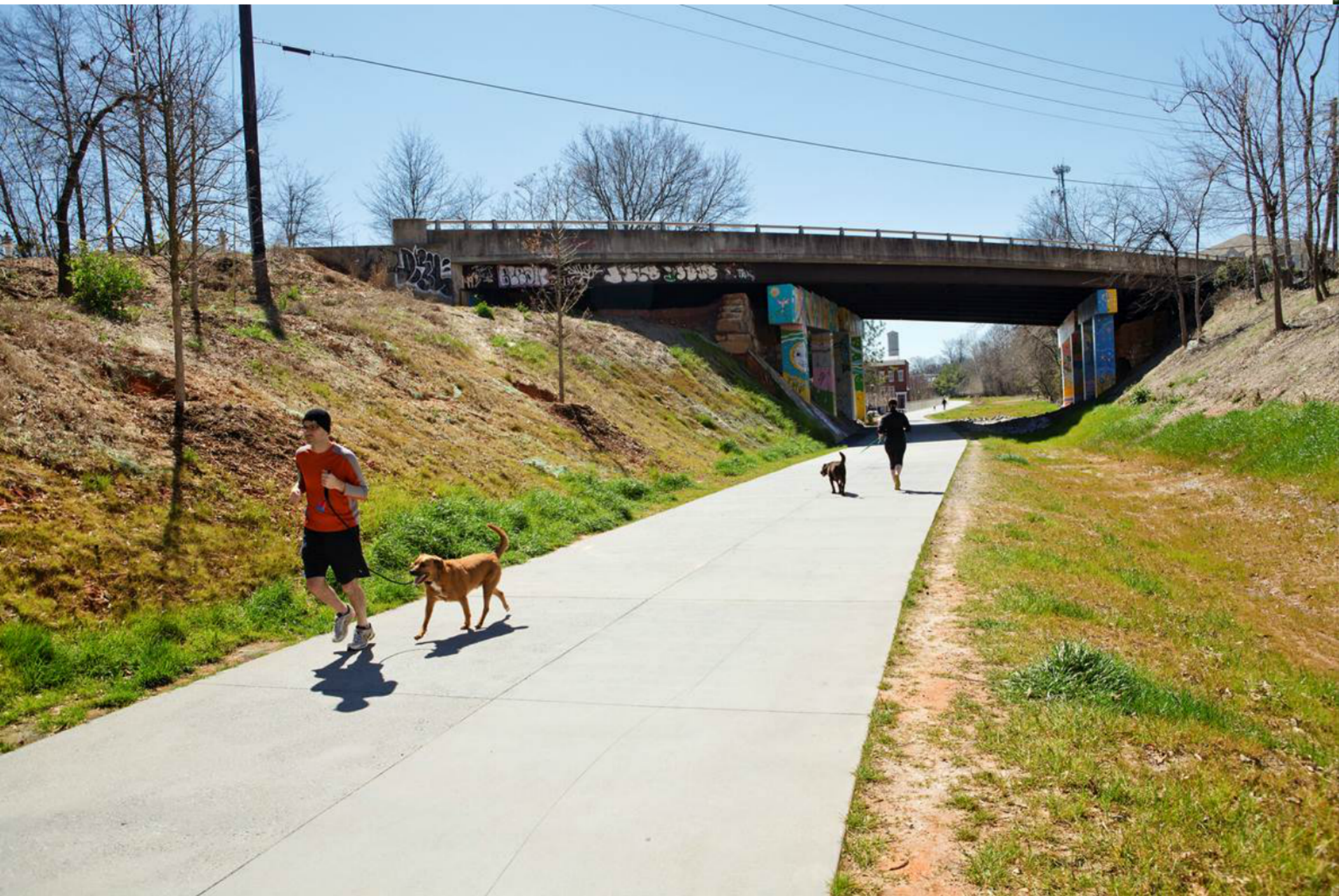




















# **// Westside Trail Project**



April 2013 - SW Study Group Presentation of SW Corridor Design (See Wall)





## // Westside Trail Preliminary Design





## // Awarded TIGER V Grant

Provides \$18 million towards the total \$43 million needed for Southwest Atlanta BeltLine Corridor Trail cost

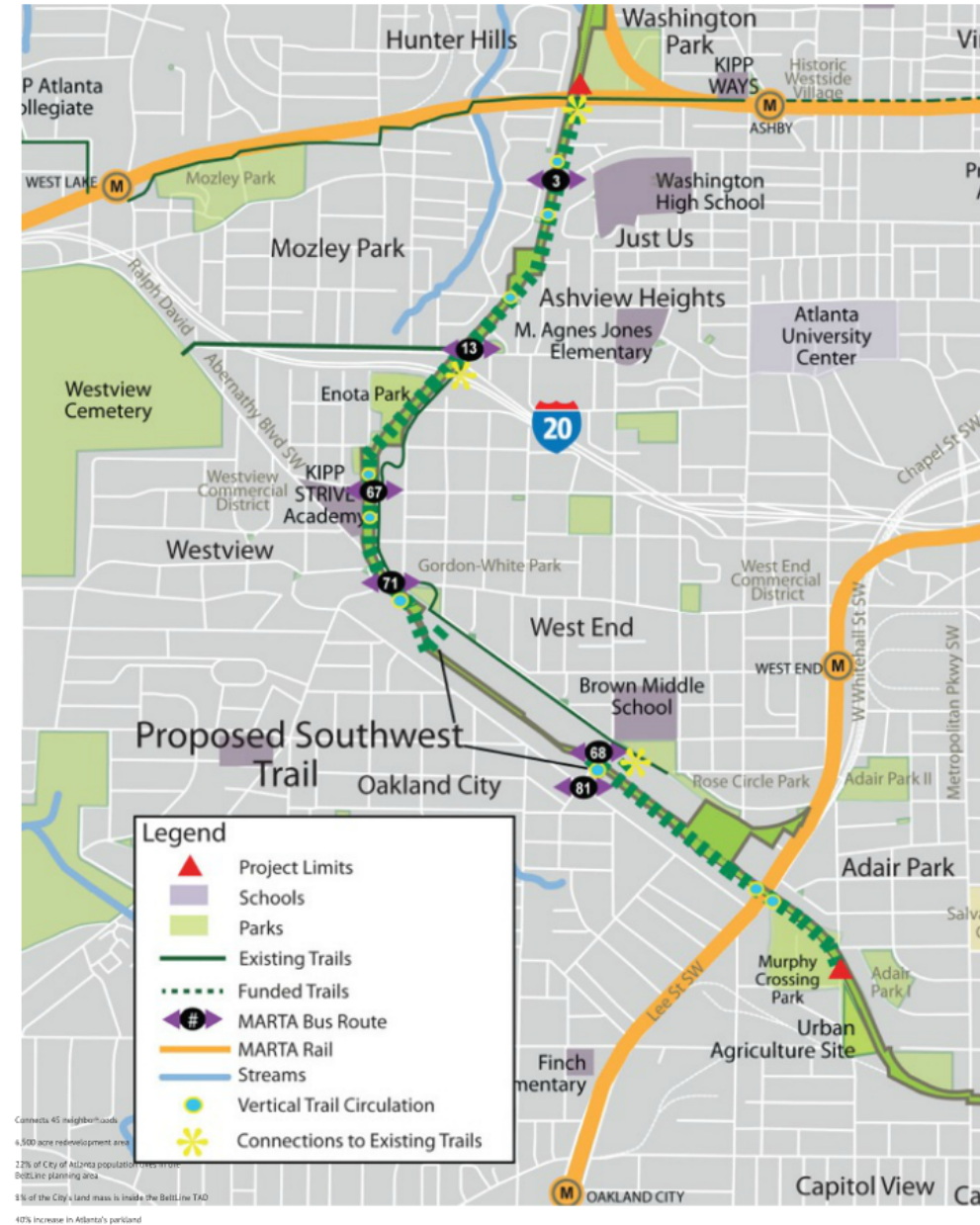
2.5 miles of multi-use trails within the Atlanta BeltLine corridor

16 accessible points of entry

Safe routes and connections to four local schools

Connections from neighborhoods to four parks

Will include trail lighting and cameras



# // Ongoing Studies

Environmental & Engineering Studies Began to Determine

- Engineering Parameters
- ROW Needs
- Environmental Impacts
- Advance Design
- Community Engagement Planning



**// Q&A**