INSPIRE Primary Walking Routes
Montebello E/MS

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INSPIRE

Investing in Neighborhoods and Schools to Promote
Improvement, Revitalization, and Excellence

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Agenda

INSPIRE Overview

Primary Walking Routes

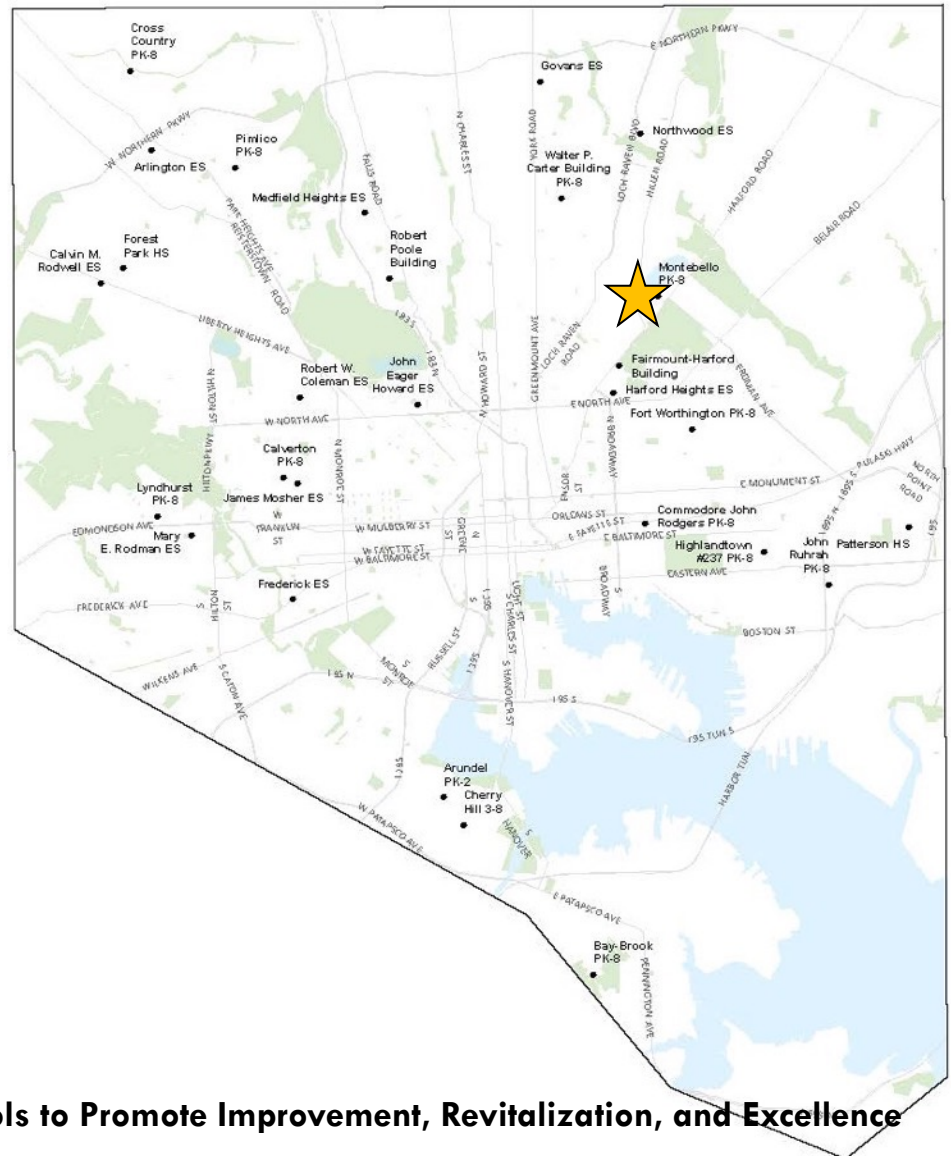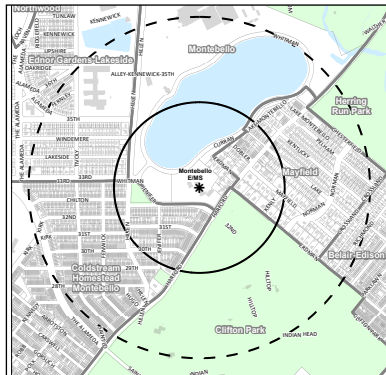

Arlington Community/School Garden

INSPIRE: Why and Where It Is

21st CENTURY SCHOOLS
BALTIMORE

School Site

INSPIRE

Around the School

INSPIRE: Investing in Neighborhoods and Schools to Promote Improvement, Revitalization, and Excellence

INSPIRE: What It Is

Investing in Neighborhoods and Schools to Promote Improvement, Revitalization, and Excellence

- A **plan**
  to improve quality of life and guide community's long-term vision

- A **process**
  to develop and begin to implement the plan

- A **budget item**
  in CIP – city investments

Activities, Investments, Recommendations

<u>Preparing for Opening Day (Standard Improvements)</u>
City agencies have committed to streetscape improvements
Where: Along the Primary Walking Routes
Examples: Sidewalks, Street Trees, Crosswalks, etc.

<u>Area-Specific Recommendations</u>
Improvements in the environment and quality of life
Where: Throughout INSPIRE area, nearby
Examples: Housing/Market, Transportation, Health & Wellness, etc.

<u>Community-Selected Priority Project</u>
INSPIRE funds a project
Where: Somewhere in INSPIRE area
Examples: Gardens, Murals, Walking Paths, Park Improvements, etc.

Standard Improvements (Primary Walking Route)

Preparing for Opening Day

- Bringing sidewalks up to safe/standard condition

- Repainting/adding crosswalks

- Pruning and planting street trees

- Assessing crossing guard deployment

- Boarding open vacant buildings

- Removing trash and cleaning vacant lots

Fix deficient sidewalks.

Examples of Recs & Implementation

- Rehabbing City-owned properties facing Pimlico E/MS
  City, private developer

- Turning a vacant lot into Fort Worthington E/MS garden
  School, City, BOPA, Parks & People

- Installing a new path in Clifton Park at REACH! Partnership
  City

- Implementing a new park master plan near Dorothy I. Height ES
  City, Reservoir Hill Improvement Council

<u>Wide variety of recommendations.</u>
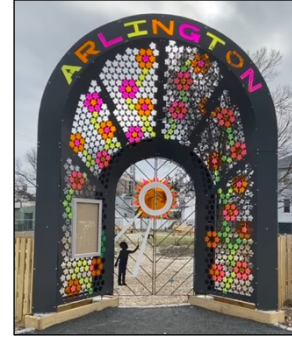
Examples of Community-Based Projects

Dorothy I. Height: German Park Improvements

Forest Park + Calvin Rodwell: Fordney Lane Walking Path

Arlington: Community/School Garden

Functional sculptures

Murals through Art @ Work

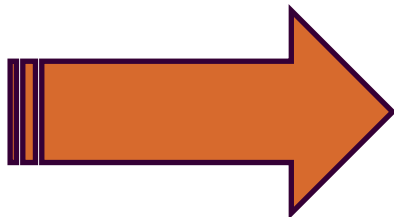Pimlico: Landscaped Community Space + Art

Timeline & Next Steps

ID & Finalize Primary Walking Routes (PWR)
- PWR deep dive: Convene meeting, ask for time at other meetings (PTA, staff, community)

August

Immediate Next Steps/Ongoing
- Create web page
- Build out contact list/interested stakeholders
- Attend school & community meetings

After That
- Prep for launch of INSPIRE planning

Questions?

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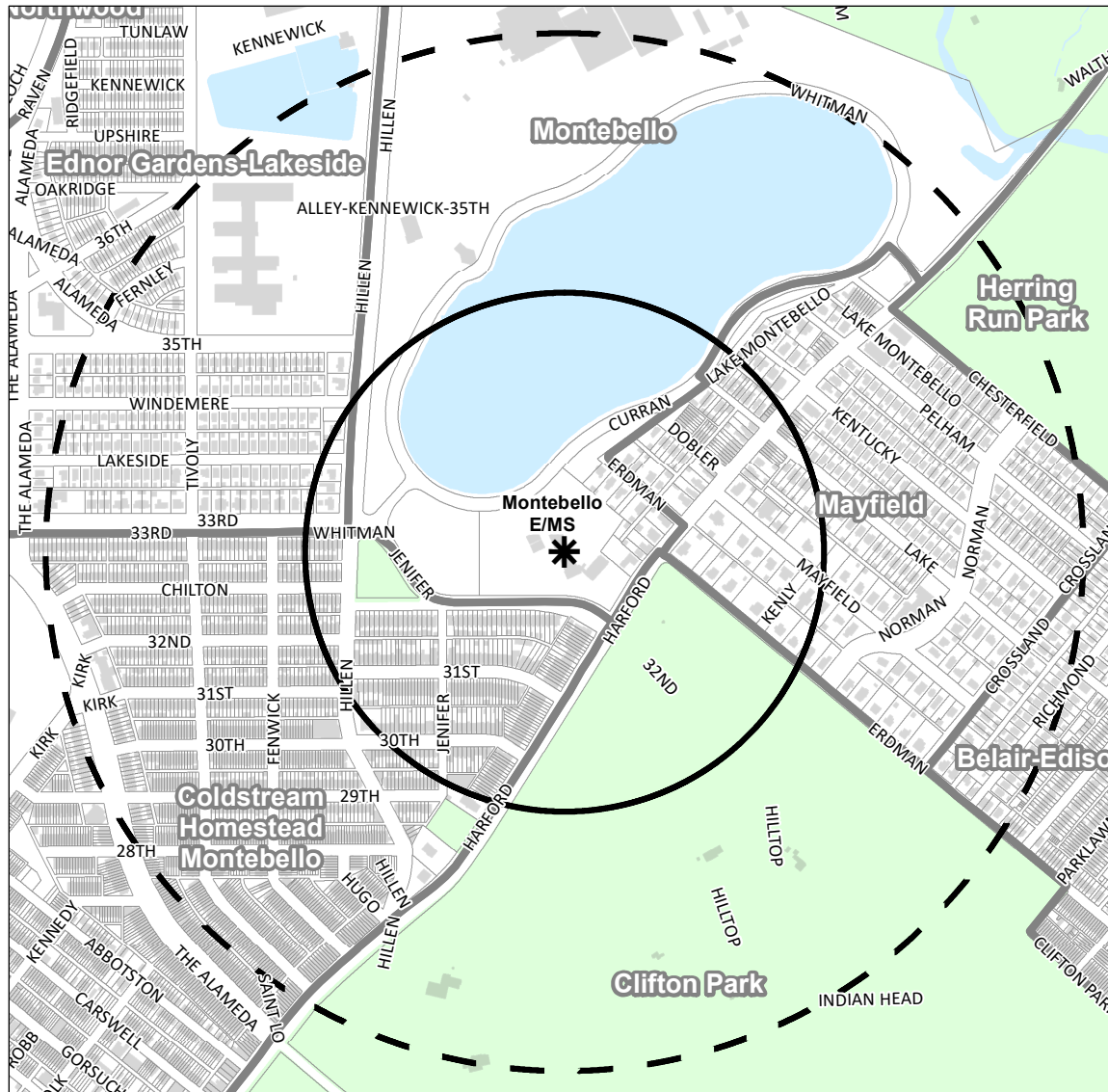jennifer.r.leonard@baltimorecity.gov

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Darley Park

Montebello Primary Walking Route

- How do students walk (mostly)?

- How would you like them to walk?

- Safety concerns?