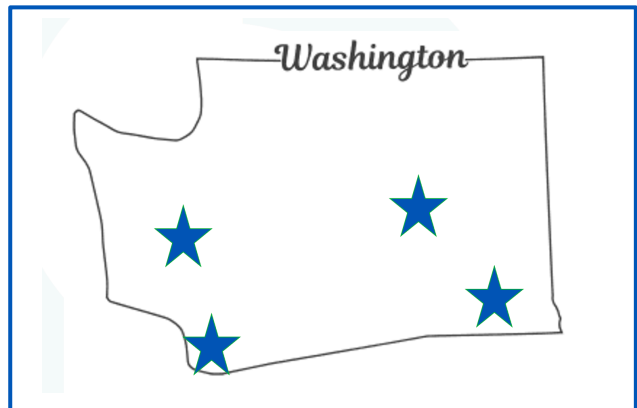


Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Outcomes Tracker to Date

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Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Walkability Action Institute (WAI)

- **Official Course Title:** Active People Healthy NationSM Washington WAI
- **Course Implemented:** The WAI was implemented May 2-5, 2022, in Olympia, Washington.
- **Target Audience:** Interdisciplinary local teams within the state of Washington
- **Course Attendees:** **Four** Total Teams
 - Included four local interdisciplinary teams and several state interdisciplinary partners.
- **Total Course Participants:** **30**, inclusive of the following:
 - **24** interdisciplinary local team participants
 - **Three** state-level interdisciplinary partners
 - **Three** local WAI Alumni Team Leads from past Washington participant locations (Spokane, Tacoma/Pierce County, and Walla Walla Valley, Washington)



Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Local Teams:

- 1) **Clark County, Washington**
- 2) **Grant County, Washington**
- 3) **Thurston County, Washington**
- 4) **Tri Cities, Washington**

Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Individual Outcomes to Date:

Clark County, Washington:

- Very few members of the original WAI team are still involved given retirement and/or leaving for other positions since attending the WAI. However, replacement team members were identified, and this new WAI team meets monthly.

- New Policy Changes:
 - A new [Transportation System Plan](#) is now in place within the City of Vancouver as of January 2024, and will guide transportation system investments for the next 20 years, potentially reaching the entire 199,600 population (**n=1**).
 - Clark County adopted a new [Aging Readiness Plan](#), which includes a Healthy Community chapter with additional chapters focusing on access for the aging population (**n=1**; potential to reach 184,873 of the Clark County population ages 65 and older).
 - The City of Vancouver adopted its new [Strategic Plan 2023-2029](#), which primarily focuses on transportation and mobility (**n=1**, potential to reach 199,600 residents).
 - The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council updated its Regional Transportation System Plan in February 2024, which now includes new contents related to active transportation, tracking of PSE performance measures, and will potentially impact 534,190 total population of the region (**n=1**).
- New Systems Changes:
 - The updated Equity Index has been integrated into both the City of Vancouver’s Transportation System Plan project prioritization process and the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program internal evaluation process (**n=2**).
 - Equity and active transportation scoring measures were integrated into the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council’s project evaluation process (**n=1**).
 - The Clark County Health Department created three new positions to demonstrate commitment to active transportation (Built Environment Coordinator), racial equity (Racial Equity Director), and climate (Climate Program Coordinator) in 2022 (**n=3**).
 - The WAI team led the coordination and integration of CDC PLACES data into Clark County’s ArGIS portal to make it more readily available for use by local agencies (**n=1**).
- New Environmental Changes:
 - The City of Vancouver accomplished the following environmental enhancements:
 - A traffic calming street mural on 57th Avenue in the Fourth Plain neighborhood was resurfaced (**n=1**).

- Complete Streets implementation projects were implemented on Columbia Street and McLoughlin Boulevard with new protected bike lanes (**n=2**; *counted as n=2 since these were stated as occurring on two different streets, however, no distance or other identifiers were provided*).
 - Traffic calming measures (speed tables and radar feedback signs) were installed on local neighborhood roads (**n=2**; *could only count as n=2 since exact number of roads involved and exact number of speed table and radar feedback installations were not reported*).
 - Two new fully inclusive playgrounds are now in place at Marshal Park and Esther Short Park (**n=2**).
 - Due to collaboration with City of Vancouver Urban Forestry and the Fourth Plain Community Advisory Committee, 16 new street trees were planted on streets throughout Rose Village (**n=16**).
 - Clark County accomplished the following environmental enhancements:
 - New sidewalk connections and pathways were constructed leading to Kozy Park (**n=2**; *counted as n=2 since the number of exact sidewalk connections and pathways were not specified*).
 - C-TRAN completed their second new Bus Rapid Transit line on Mill Plain Boulevard in October 2023 (**n=1**).
- New Non-PSE Outcomes:
 - The City of Vancouver updated its Equity Index in 2023 (**n=1**).
 - The WAI team participated in an annual retreat so that new and original WAI team members could collaborate on action plan goals and actions (**n=1**).
 - The team additionally developed a new 2024-2025 WAI action plan (**n=1**).
 - The WAI team conducted presentations to the Vancouver City Council, Clark County Council, and the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council board on the benefits of walkable communities (**n=3**).
 - The WAI team conducted presentations to the Vancouver City Council, Clark County Council, and the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council board on new federal and state funding opportunities and policy directives (**n=3**).
 - Clark County and the Clark County Health Department collaborated to implement a bike safety campaign in Spring of 2023 (**n=1**).
- New Tools:

- The WAI created a shared Google drive to house existing local and regional plans that incorporate active transportation components (**n=1**).
- The WAI team developed a grant tracking spreadsheet to monitor active transportation funding opportunities updates (**n=1**).
- Additional Outcomes in Progress:
 - Clark County is currently developing and applying an equity framework to the project planning process of the Climate Element within the Clark County Comprehensive Plan update. This climate element will include two sub-elements for reducing greenhouse gases and reducing vehicle miles traveled (**n=1**).
 - Planning is currently underway by C-TRAN for the Highway 99 Bus Rapid Transit line (**n=1**).
 - Regional coordination is continuing for the I-5 Bridge Replacement project, which will provide significant upgrades to the active transportation network and high-capacity transit (**n=1**).
 - A major road diet and repaving project is underway at the location of Fourth Plain Boulevard and Vancouver Way in Vancouver, which will add new bike and safety measures, bike lanes, and transit access (**n=1**).
 - Shared multi-use path, improved lighting, and pedestrian refuge island improvements are currently in progress at Northeast 99th Street in Clark County, which will improve circulation between Northeast 94th Street and 117th Avenue and provide safety measures for active transportation road users (**n=3**).
 - The WAI team is planning a Safety Summit in Spring of 2024 as part of the Safe Streets for All grant to help education decision-makers (**n=1**).
- Total Estimated Reach Provided = 534,190
- Total of **four** new policy changes, **seven** new systems changes, **26** new environmental improvements, **10** new non-PSE outcomes, **two** new tools developed, and **eight** additional outcomes in progress (**57 total outcomes**).
- Reported total funds leveraged since attending the WAI = **\$4,142,934** from the following sources:
 - The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council received the following funds:
 - \$300,000 in Safe Streets for All funds to develop a comprehensive safety action plan for Clark County
 - The City of Vancouver received the following funds:

- \$650,000 in Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds for a new trail crossing and new sidewalk installation.
- \$421,434 in Regional Mobility Grant funds to start a residential transportation demand management program
- Clark County received the following funds:
 - \$105,000 in TAP funds for sidewalk projects
 - \$904,000 in Safe Routes to School funding for Truman Elementary
 - Bike Clark County received \$246,250 in Safe Routes to School funding to continue the *Bike2Leadership* program
- The City of La Center received \$700,000 for a shared used path project (*funding source not specified*).
- The City of Washougal received \$816,250 for a shared use path project (*funding source not specified*).

Grant County, Washington:

- **The Team Lead did not participate in the progress reports made available to this cohort to date.**
- Total Estimated Reach Provided = None Provided
- Total Outcomes Reported = None Provided
- Reported total funds leveraged since attending the WAI = None Provided

Thurston County, Washington:

- Original WAI team still meets on a quarterly basis since attending the WAI.
- New Systems Changes:
 - The Thurston Regional Planning Council has updated its GIS-based data gathering tool for use by the local WAI Team and community partners to use for initial action plan activities (**n=1**).
- New Non-PSE Outcomes:
 - The WAI Action Team completed an inventory of potential and existing walking/cycling connections within the City of Tumwater and provided this data to the city (**n=1**).
 - Following this inventory, members of the Action Team convened a meeting with the City of Tumwater’s public works, transportation, and planning staff centered around clarifying the value of walkability data in

the city’s planning and transportation processes and how to focus the future of walkability-related work (**n=1**), with future potential impact of approximately 26,000 residents and surrounding urban growth area.

- Thanks to the funding support of the Washington State Department of Transportation’s Active Transportation Division, the WAI Team convened a walkability workshop in June 2023 with Toole Design Group’s Ian Lockwood for 53 jurisdiction staff, policy maker, and community member attendees (**n=1**).
- Total Estimated Reach Provided = 26,000
- Total of **one new system change** and **three non-PSE outcomes** (**four total outcomes**).
- Reported total funds leveraged since attending the WAI = None Provided

Tri Cities, Washington:

- Original WAI team still meets on a bi-monthly basis since attending the WAI.
- New Environmental Changes:
 - Benton-Franklin Health Department and Safe Kids Benton-Franklin implemented two pop-up traffic gardens to help children learn traffic safety while walking, biking, or scooting (**n=2**).
- New Non-PSE Outcomes:
 - Walk/move audits are routinely implemented throughout the region as a mechanism for increasing community and decision-maker awareness for walkable and movable community design (**n=1**).
- Total Estimated Reach Provided = None Provided
- Total of **two new environmental improvements** and **one non-PSE outcome**. (**three total outcomes**).
- Reported total funds leveraged since attending the WAI = None Provided

Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Collective Outcomes to Date:

- The breakdown of the outcomes is detailed in Chart 1 below in the following outcome categories:
 - New Policy Changes;
 - New System Changes;
 - New Environmental Changes;
 - New Non-PSE Outcomes;

- New Resources;
- New Tools; and
- Additional Outcomes in Progress (not yet accomplished)

Chart 1: Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Total Number of Outcomes per Team

Year 8/Cohort 10 Teams:	New Policy Changes:	New System Changes:	New Environmental Changes:	New Non-PSE Changes:	New Tools:	New Resources:	Additional Outcomes in Progress:	Totals:
Clark County, Washington	4	7	26	10	2	0	8	57
Grant County, Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thurston County, Washington	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	4
Tri Cities, Washington	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	4	8	28	14	2	0	8	64

- Collectively, the Year 8/Cohort 10 has achieved **56 total outcomes** (not including **eight documented additional outcomes that is currently in progress** as of November 2023), affecting **560,190** estimated individuals.
- The breakdown of total estimated reach and funds leveraged per Year 8/Cohort 10 team is reflected in **Chart 2**.

Chart 2: Year 8 (2022, Cohort 10) Team Estimated Reach and Leveraged Funds

Team:	Reported Funds Leveraged:	Reported Estimated Reach:
Clark County, Washington	\$4,142,934	534,190
Grant County, Washington	-----	-----
Thurston County, Washington	-----	26,000

Team:	Reported Funds Leveraged:	Reported Estimated Reach:
Tri Cities, Washington	-----	-----
TOTALS	\$4,142,934	560,190

- Collectively to date, the Year 8/Cohort 10 has leveraged a total of **\$4,142,934** since attending the NACDD WAI to implement walkability and active transportation efforts in their respective locations.
- A total project budget of **\$420,000** in 2022 was invested by CDC Division of Nutrition Physical Activity and Obesity (DNPAO) to NACDD for the eighth annual WAI event.
 - This total amount reflects all funds involved in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the WAI course.
 - Since this amount provides for two Year 8 Cohorts (Utah and Washington), the total annual funding will be divided evenly between the two cohorts, representing an estimated investment of \$210,000 for each of the Year 8 cohorts for WAI planning, implementation, and evaluation.
 - The amount of funds collectively leveraged via self-reported voluntary progress reports of \$4,142,934 divided by the total Cohort 10 project budget of \$210,000 to determine an estimated **project return on investment (ROI) ratio of 19.7:1.**

**Please note that these outcomes are provided through voluntary annual online progress reports. We only have outcomes documented for those teams that complete the progress reports. Because the outcome and fiscal data are voluntarily self-reported by Team Leads, outcomes are likely underreported.*

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