



# Safe Routes to School



Select Committee on Transportation Funding  
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# Presentation overview

- Safe Routes to School background
- School and project prioritization
- Completed projects
- Planned projects

# Safe Routes to School

- Safety improvements on walking and biking routes to school
- Education and encouragement for kids to walk and bike safely to school



Helmet fittings at  
Olympic Hills



# The need



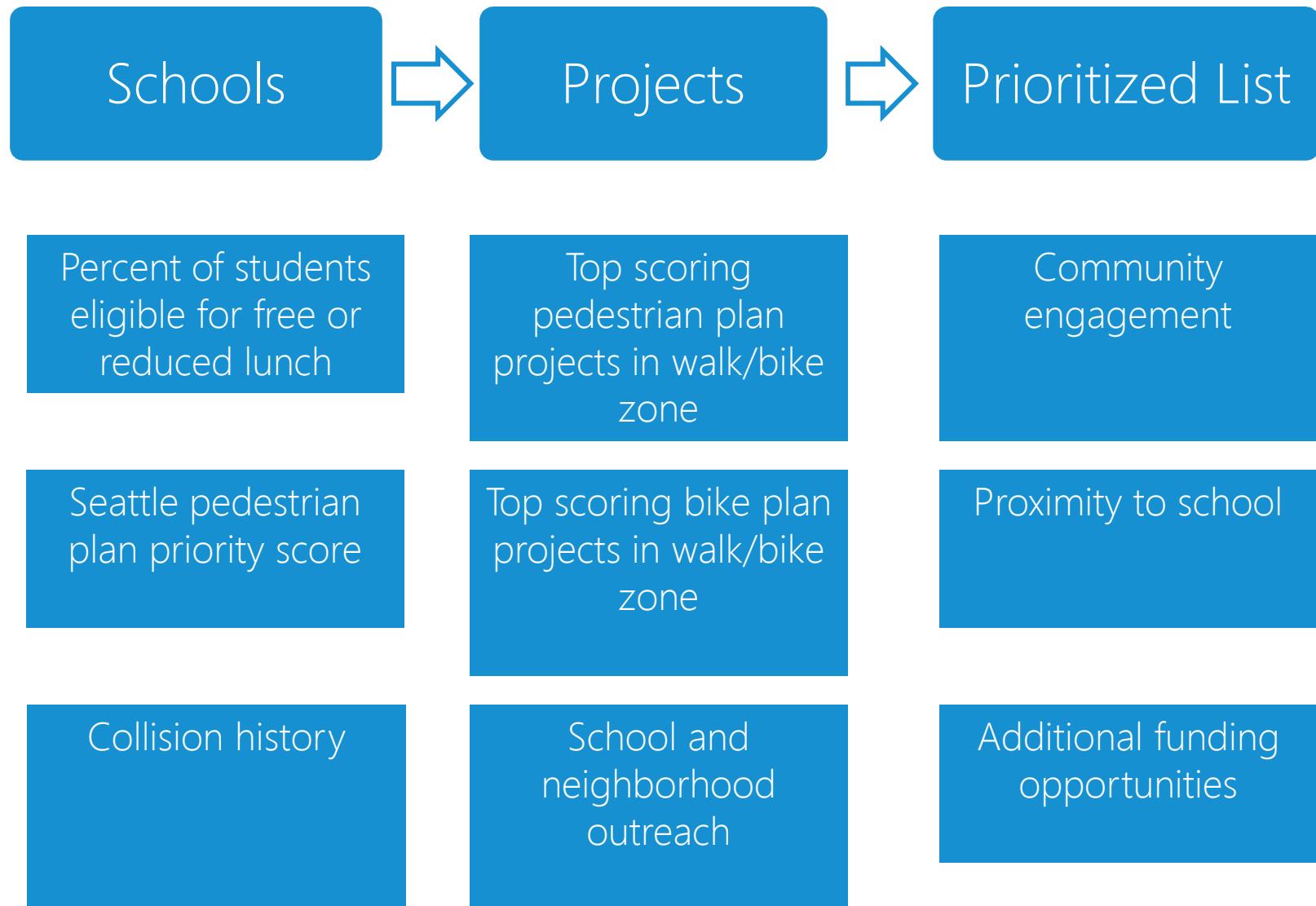
Bike to School Day at Leschi Elementary

1. Fewer kids today walk and bike to school
2. Unintended consequences have resulted
3. SRTS programs are part of the solution

# Seattle 9-year SRTS Funding

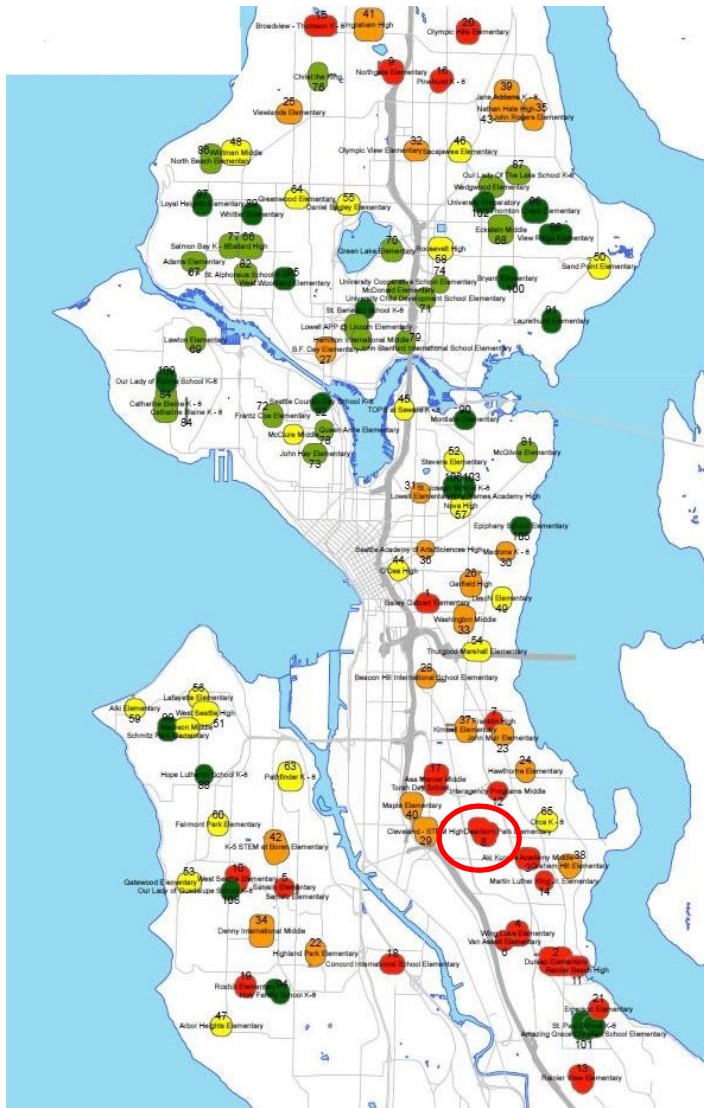
- **Engineering** (Vision Zero: Safe Routes to School)
  - \$34M from Speed Zone Safety Cameras
  - \$7M from transportation levy
  - \$7M from state & federal grants
- **Education/Encouragement/Enforcement/  
Evaluation** (Vision Zero: Safety Corridors)
  - \$6M from Speed Zone Safety Cameras

# School and project prioritization



# Completed SRTS Projects

# School Prioritization – Dearborn Park



- Eighth-highest ranking school overall
- Prioritized focus school in 2011



# Outreach – Dearborn Park

- Parents and children
- School staff
- PTA
- SDOT
- Neighbors and businesses
- Advocates



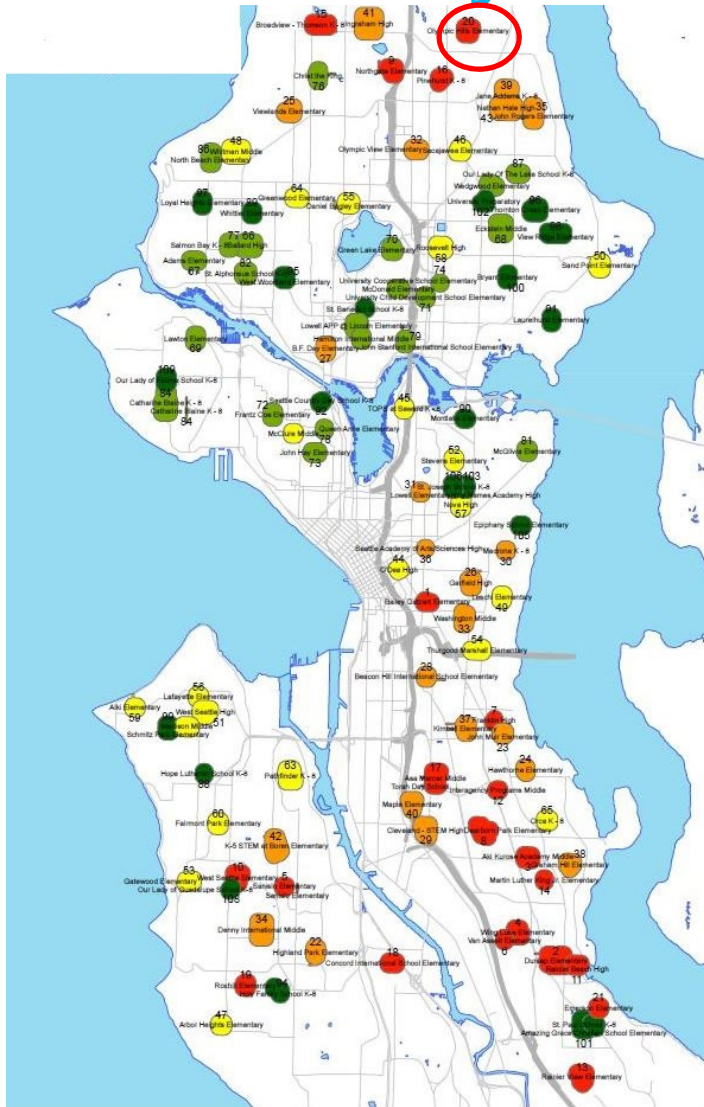
*Walking School Bus*

# SRTS Projects – Dearborn Park

- Flashing Beacons (2010)
- Walking School Bus Training
- New sidewalk repair (2013)
- Speed zone safety cameras (2014)
- Additional sidewalk improvements planned for 2016



# School Prioritization – Olympic Hills Elementary



- Top scoring elementary in northeast
- Top 20 ranking school overall
- Prioritized focus school in 2011



# Outreach – Olympic Hills

- Parents and children
- School staff
- PTA
- SDOT
- Neighbors and businesses
- School Traffic Safety
- Advocates



Olympic Hills School walking audit

# SRTS Projects – Olympic Hills

- New sidewalk on NE 130<sup>th</sup> St (2011)
- After School Bike Club (2012-13)
- Speed humps (2013)
- New crosswalks
- Sidewalk repair (2014)





# Traffic calming



Speed humps at Graham Hill Elementary



Traffic circle and chicane at Muir Elementary

# Outreach and education



Walking school bus training



Pedestrian safety education at  
Broadview Thomson



# Accessible sidewalks



Curb ramps at McDonald



Curb ramps at Northgate

# Traffic calming in school zones

	Graham Hill Elementary	Highland Park Elementary	Olympic Hills Elementary
Decrease in speeders (25+ mph)	-79%	-73%	-88%
Decrease in aggressive speeders (35+ mph)	-80%	-81%	-91%





# Future SRTS projects





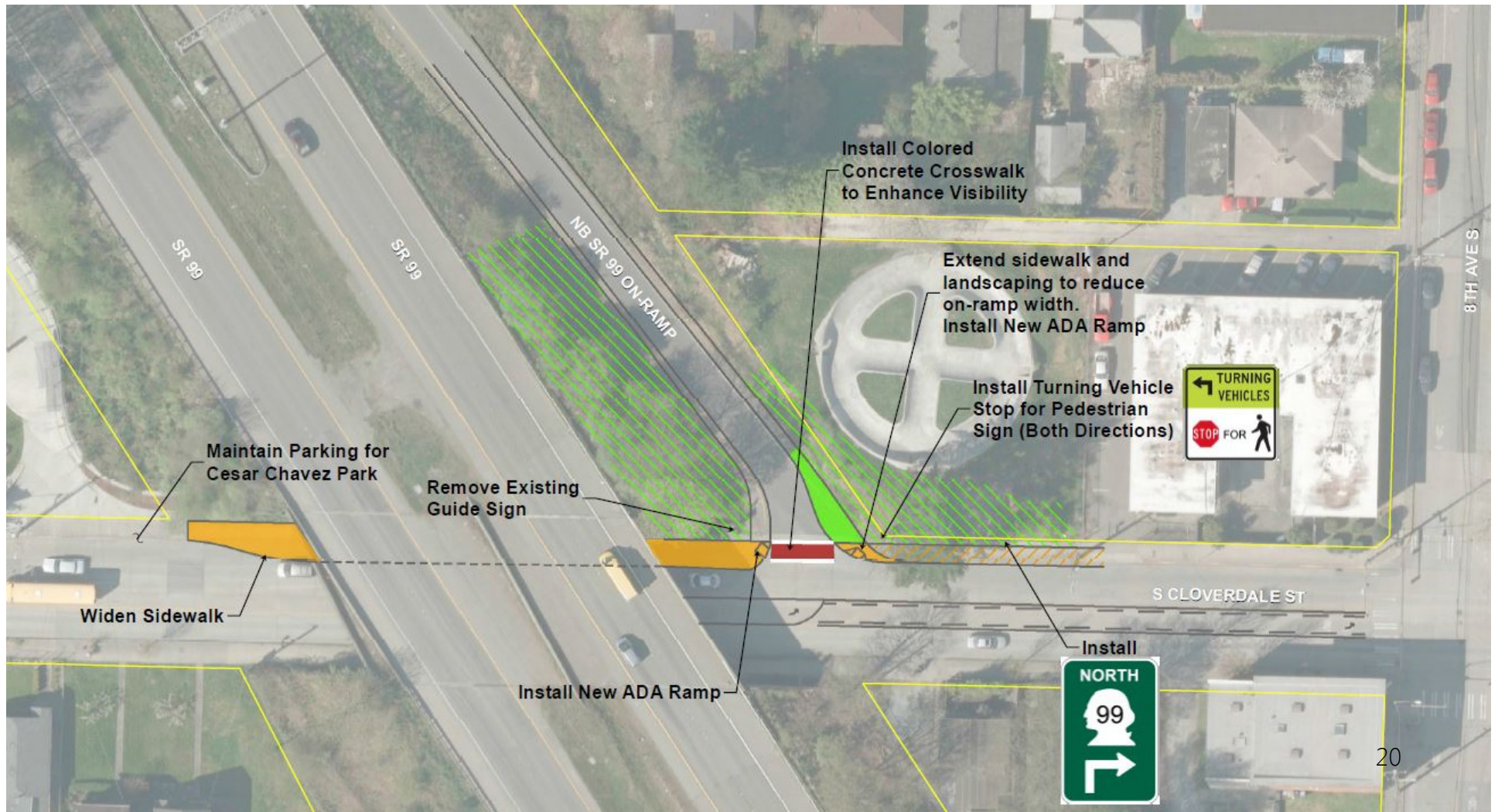
# Education and encouragement



Pedestrian and bicycle safety education at **every public elementary school** in 2016

# Concord Elementary School

S Cloverdale Street





# Northgate Elementary School



# Questions?

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