Inclusive Walk Audits

An inclusive walk audit is a critical activity that any community member can facilitate to identify unsafe, inaccessible, or unwelcoming spaces. These audits are done to assess and identify necessary improvements to improve the user experience for all people.
Best Practice Tips for an Inclusive Walk Audit

- Be the leader and step up as a point of contact to drive an inclusive Walk Audit.
- Customize your walk audit to a specific mobility goal (like fixing a dangerous crosswalk for people with disabilities) and ground it in your own place and space.
- Acknowledge your own shortcomings in perspective. Look through the eyes of all users and become an expert on the state of accessibility in your community.
- Partner with the disability community (through orgs, events, etc.) to identify and cultivate intersectional voices in your audit. Listen and observe.
- Be curious, be open, ask questions like, how would this make me feel as a person who uses a wheelchair or a walker? If I had sensory impairments? Etc.
- Document the experience with photos/notes to present, evaluate and implement.
- Commit to making the first step towards change ASAP. Turn momentum to action.