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Tribal Pedestrian Safety

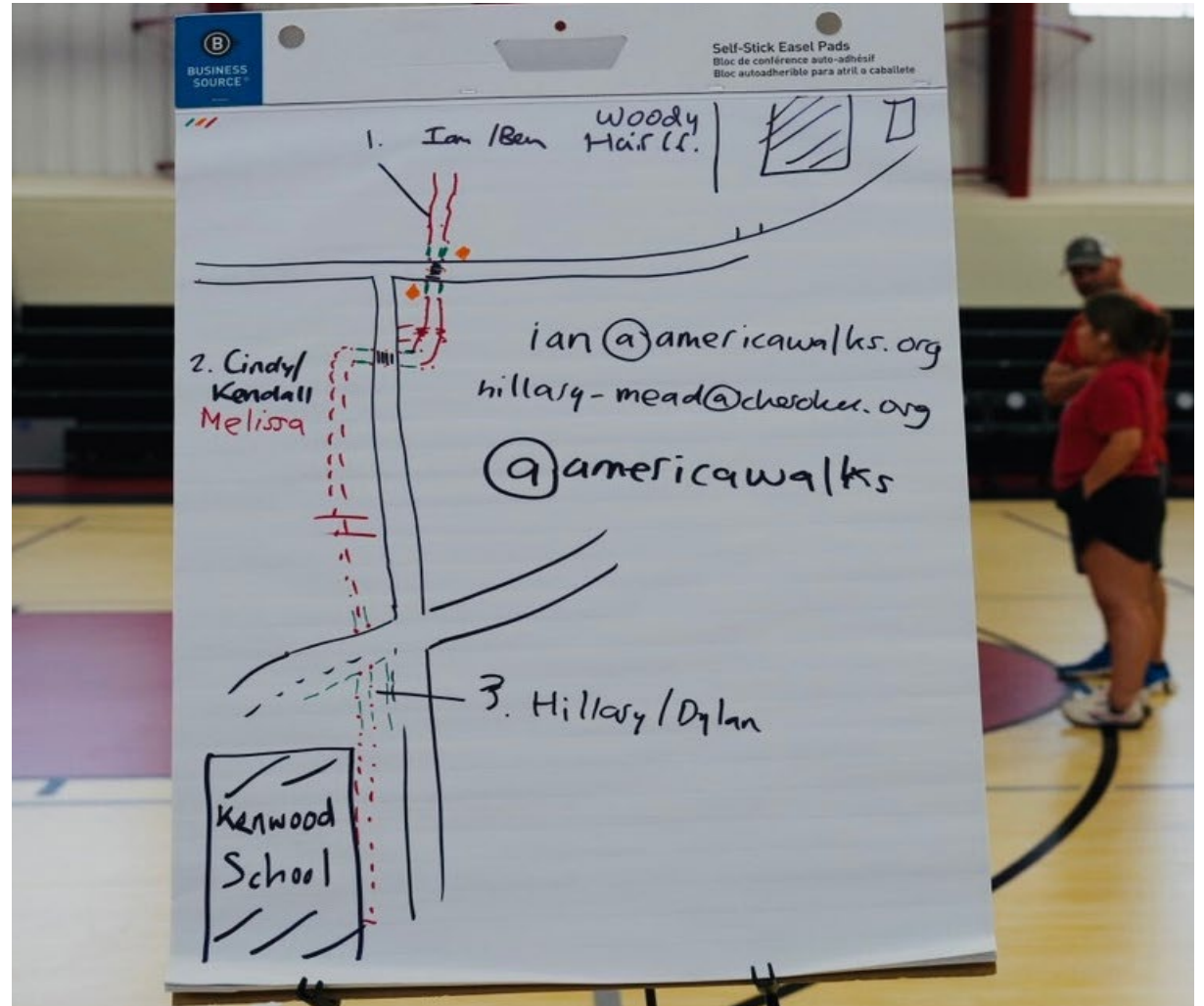
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Objectives

Learn how to conduct pre-assessments of pedestrian safety conditions.

Learn how to Analyze the data and make recommendations.

Learn how to use data to propose new infrastructure.



Kenwood, Oklahoma

Located in Delaware County, 20 miles southwest of Jay and 11 miles east of Salina.

- **Population: 904**
- **Median Household income: \$65,714**
- **Poverty: 16%**
- **Race:**
 - **56% Native American**
 - **34% White**
 - **1% Asian**

Reference: U.S. Census Bureau 2020 Decennial Census



Infrastructure

Pedestrian Paths

Line of Sight

Traffic Conditions

Identifying Road Hazards





Preliminary Assessments

Walk Audit
Speed Checks
Traffic Counts

Community Survey
Walk and Talks

Data Analysis

Walkability Assessments:

- 100% of respondents noted the lack of both sidewalks and crosswalks and having to walk in the street or in ditches, as well as jaywalk.
- 67% reported that the walk was poorly lit in early October, this would be even more relevant in the winter months
- 22% mentioned a lack of traffic signage for drivers on School Rd.
- 22% noted that lack of beautification contributed to less walkability
- 22% reported loose dogs as a hindrance to walking.



Community Survey:

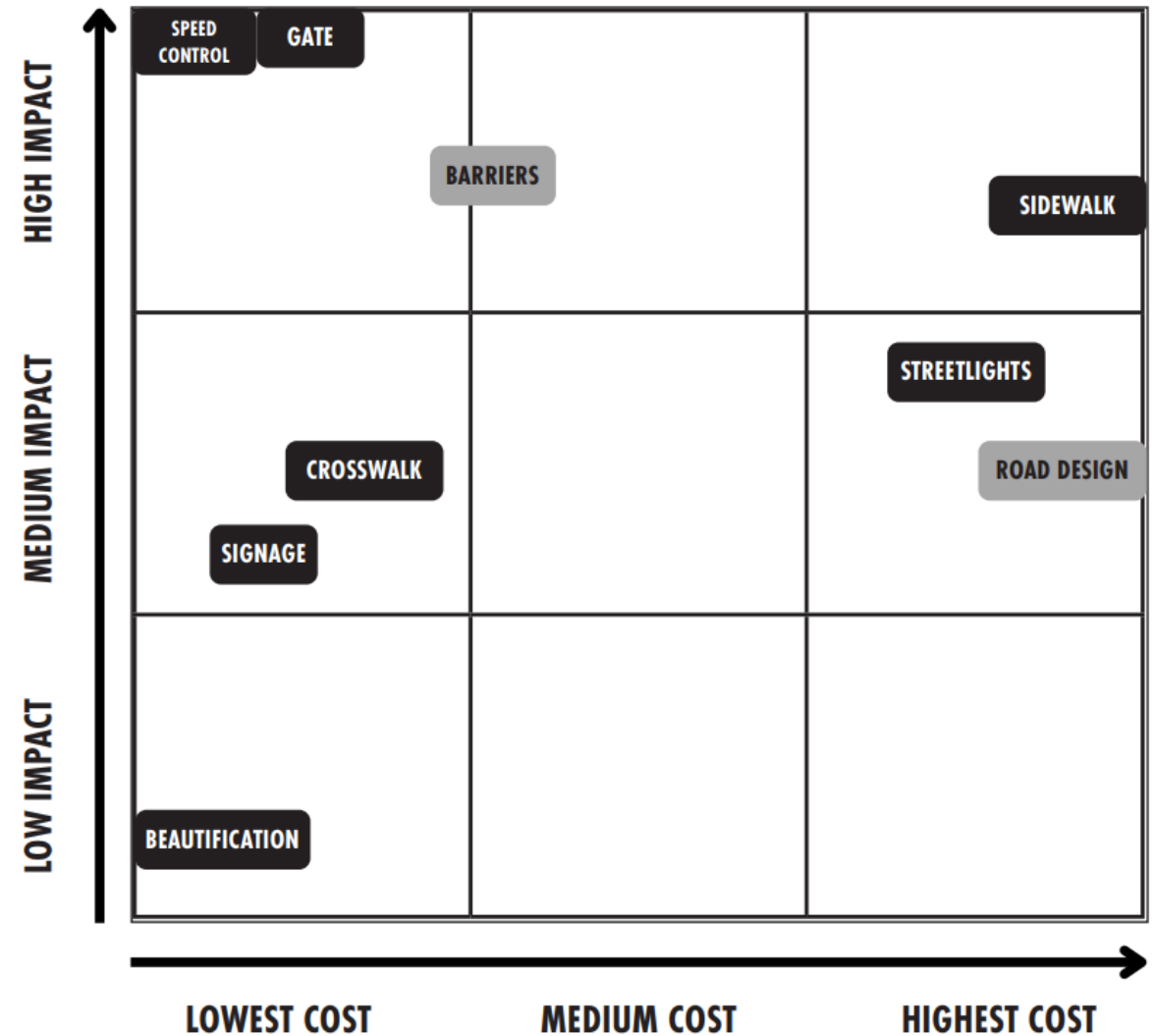
- Pictures
- Most comment noted "loose dogs"

Traffic Counts:

- Speed limit 35 mph
- Counter 1
 - Avg Cars per day- 357
 - Avg speed 42.37 mph
 - Max speed- 64 mph
- Counter 2
 - Avg cars per day- 600
 - Avg speed- 38.4 mph
 - Max speed- 69 mph
- Counter 3
 - Avg cars per day- 857
 - Avg speed- 33.76 mph
 - Max speed- 68 mph

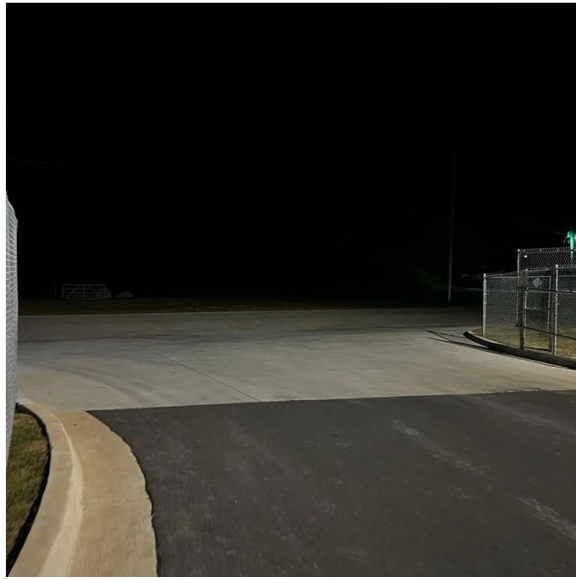
Cost Benefit Analysis

-  Cost estimate known
-  Cost estimate approximation



Recommendations

- Work to develop speed control measures- lowering speed limits, added signage.
- Consideration to expand the project beyond the school and community center.
- School-aged pedestrian safety education
- Community engagement
- Cost considerations- looking at higher impact elements.





Pedestrian Safety Education



What do you notice about your walk to the Community Center

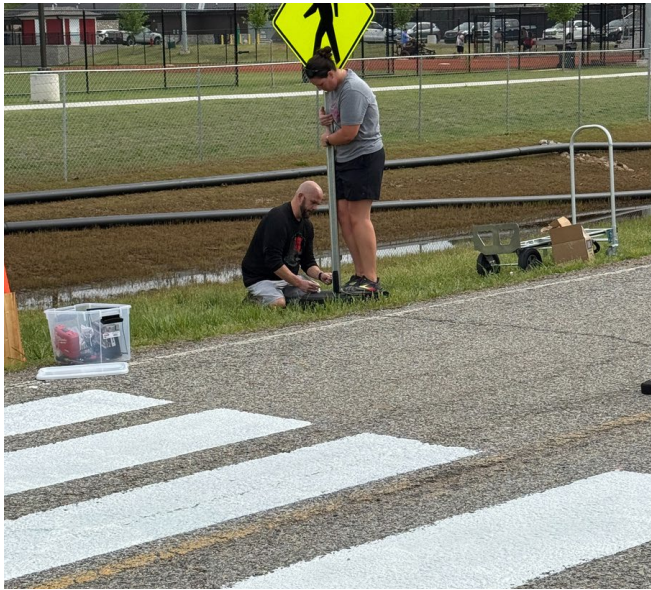
- Road- watching out for cars
- Dogs- Friendly / Not friendly
- Not a lot of traffic
- Safer in a group
- Muddy
- No Sidewalks
- Sticks / Rocks along walk
- No Crosswalks

Kenwood 5 & 6 grade

Test it Out



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Evaluation and Feedback

Walkability Score:

- Overall walkability score in Kenwood before the mock crosswalk/sidewalk project, 10.5, and after the project was implemented, 24.7
- Improved from “It needs a lot of work” and “It’s a disaster for walking!” before the project, and significantly increased to “Celebrate a little. Your neighborhood is pretty good” after the project.

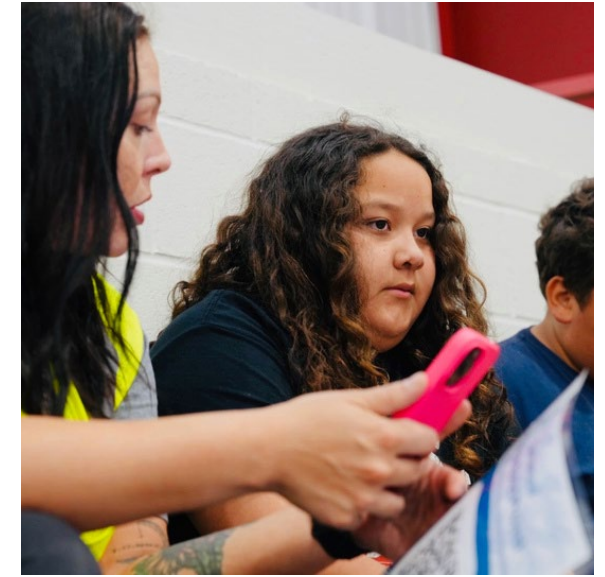
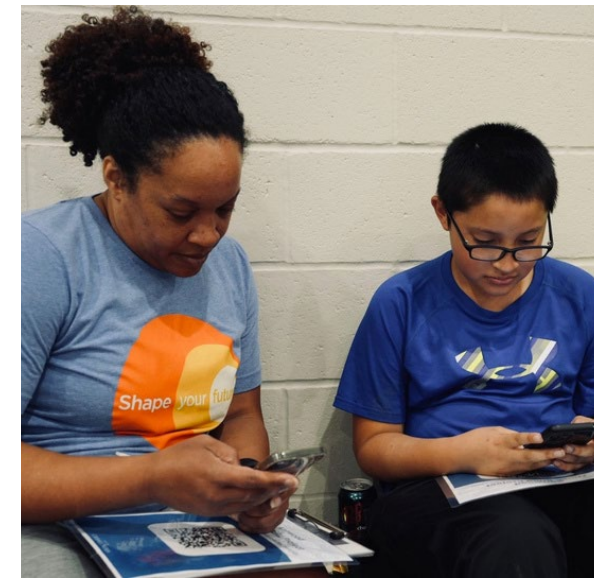
Key takeaways:

- 22% of respondents in the pre-survey noted scary dogs, 36% in the post-survey.
- 67% of respondents in the pre-survey noted the path was poorly lit, 32% in the post-survey.
- The percentage of respondents who noted a lack of sidewalks dropped from 100% in the pre-survey to 21% in the post-survey.

Limitations:

- Small sample sizes
- Not every aspect of the project was in place at the time of the survey.
- Time of year and time of day could affect responses related to how well the path is lit.

Evaluation and Feedback



Permanent Infrastructure

Utilize data to tell your story.

Feedback and mapping may change routes, location, or planned infrastructure.





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