

# **North Athens Neighborhood Pedestrian Safety Improvements**

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TSPLOST 2023 – Project No. 51

# Project Scope

Improve pedestrian safety through improved street lighting along primary corridors for after school and work mobility :

- Fowler Drive
  - Walker Drive
  - Smokey Road
  - Kenwood Drive
  - Burkland Drive
  - Pittard Road and other locations
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# Fowler Drive, Kenwood Drive, and Pittard Road



- Improve street lighting.





# Smokey Road



- Improve street lighting.



# Burkland Drive and Walker Drive



- Improve street lighting.

# **In what specific ways will this project “Close the Equity Gap” in Athens-Clarke County, by improving the Equitability of Capital Improvements throughout the entire community?**

The project provides capital improvements to the North Athens Neighborhood, a traditionally underserved area of our community.

- The project invests in infrastructure improvements that address health and safety concerns of existing conditions.
  - The project invests in infrastructure improvements that address accessibility issues and gaps in connectivity within the neighborhood, in particular related to times of use of the pedestrian network.
  - The project invests in infrastructure that will greatly improve residents' access to community facilities and events and commercial centers, especially during dark hours.
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# How will this project address one or more of the Mayor and Commission approved Strategic Commitments and Project Selection Criteria?

- **Promotes the Goal of improving Equitability of Capital Improvements throughout the Community** by focusing on improvements in the North Athens Neighborhood, an underserved area of A-CC.
  - **Promotes increased access to existing public facilities** by providing improved street lighting that allows pedestrians to utilize streets in the dusk and evening more safely for access to schools and public events.
  - **Promotes Health and Safety** by providing improved street lighting that allows pedestrians to utilize streets in the dusk and evening more safely for access to schools, work, and commercial areas.
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# What aspects of this project will focus on improving the “Triple Bottom Line” (Impact on Economic Prosperity, Social Well-being, and the Environment)?

- This project positively impacts **Economic Prosperity** by providing improved access to educational opportunities and community centers thereby increasing economic opportunities for traditionally underserved residents.
  - This project positively impacts **Social Well-being** by improving the equitable access to public facilities for traditionally underserved neighborhoods.
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# Q&A

