## Project Overview

years to come. an overall vision for four gateways within St. Louis Park for This community-led process will shape future action and

### What is this about?

The City of St. Louis Park has begun a community-led process to create four small area plans for gateway areas within the community to guide decisions about development, investment, and how the areas are used.

The process will include updates to the existing plans for the three METRO Green Line LRT stations, Beltline Boulevard, Wooddale Avenue, and Louisiana Avenue, and the creation of a new plan to guide investments along West Excelsior Boulevard.

The resulting plans will provide guidance and implementation actions to support development that aligns with the community's interests, the city's strategic priorities, and the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

## Why is this important?

These plans will inform the shape and development of our community. They are an important opportunity to address current and future challenges and opportunities, and ensure the city develops in a way that best meets the community's needs.

#### What's next?

Phase 1: Explore conditions (spring 2023)

Phase 2: Establish a vision and build the framework

(summer/fall 2023)

Phase 3: Assess the impact and build a plan (winter 2023/2024)

## Gateway Areas Overview

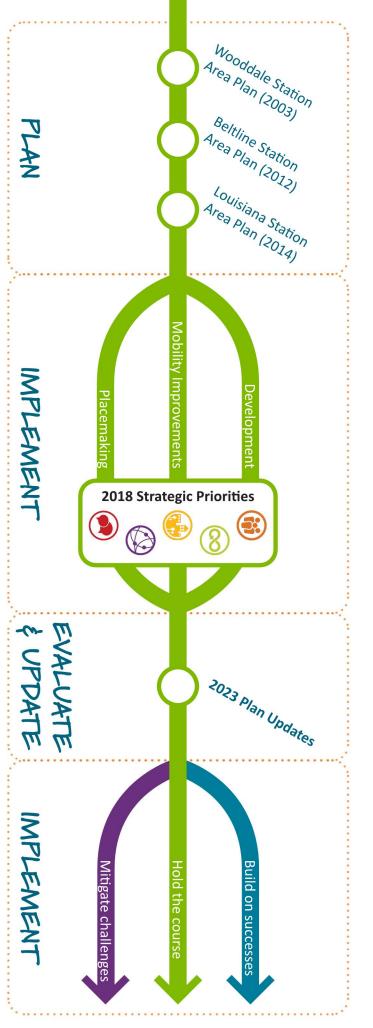








## St. Louis Park Gateway Areas? How does this project fit into the larger planning context for



Existing plans for the three station gateway areas will be updated and a new plan will be created to guide investments along West Excelsior Boulevard.

The resulting gateway area plans will provide guidance and implementation actions to support development that aligns with the community, the city's strategic priorities, and the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

Draft gateway area plans will be evaluated and updated to reflect the community, strategic priorities, and the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

The new gateway area plans will be implemented and continually evaluated so that implementation actions can build on future successes and mitigate emerging challenges.

# Strategic Priorities

priorities for St. Louis Park as part of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan for the City. The community and City Council created five strategic

## Want to learn more?

Visit the City of St. Louis Park website for the 2040 Comprehensive Plan:

www.stlouisparkmn.gov/our-city/comprehensive-plan



#### Racial Equity & Inclusion

St. Louis Park is committed to being a leader in racial equity and inclusion in order to create a more just and inclusive community for all.



#### Housing & Neighborhood-Oriented Development

St. Louis Park is committed to providing a broad range of housing and neighborhood-oriented development.



#### Community

St. Louis Park is committed to **creating** opportunities to build social capital through community engagement.



#### Environmental Stewardship

St. Louis Park is committed to continue to lead in environmental stewardship.



#### Mobility

St. Louis Park is committed to providing a variety of options for people to make their way around the city comfortably, safely and reliably.



# Study Area Overview

#### Population

population of the study area grew slower and faster than grew by 10.5 percent. During the same timeframe, the Between 2010 and 2020, the population of St. Loius Park the City as a whole:



-6% to +22%

occurred in the Birchwood and Sorensen neighborhoods and fastest growth in the Fern Hill, Triangle, Wolfe Park, Minikahda Oaks, and Minikahda Vista neighborhoods.

Asian (4 percent). The population in the study area is similar. American (8 percent), Hispanic or Latino (5.3 percent), and percent. The next largest groups are Black or African Citywide, the largest population by race is White, at 77

#### Housing

are fewer and greater renter-occupied households than the percent of owner-occupied households are considered cost 30 percent or more of their incomes on housing, and 17 are considered cost burdened, or households that spend City as a whole: for just under half of all households. In the study area, there burdened. Citywide, renter-occupied households account In St. Louis Park, 35 percent of renter-occupied households



with fewer renter-occupied households in the Lenox and Sorensen neighborhoods and greater renter-occupied households in the Fern Hill and Triangle neighborhoods.

## Employment & Income

timeframe, the median household income of the study area in St. Louis Park grew by 39.7 percent. During the same grew slower and faster than the City as a whole: Between 2010 and 2020, the median household income



Citywide income growth Study area income growth, where slowest growth occurred between 2010 and 2020. in the Wolfe Park, Minikahda Oaks, and Minikahda Vista neighborhoods and fastest growth in the Oak Hill and South Oak Hill neighborhoods.

American households than double the median income for black or African Citywide, median household income varies widely by race, where the median income for white households is more



in transportation, warehousing, and

utilities



56%

45% of households have one vehicle. In the study area, households have slightly less access to vehicles In St. Louis Park, 6% of households have no vehicles and



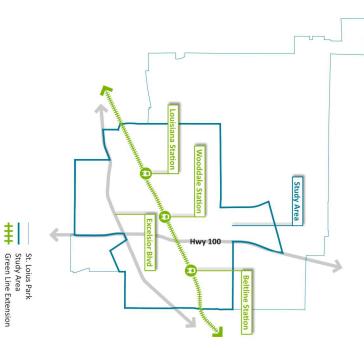
Percentage of households in the study area with one vehicle.

study area with no households in the



the study area with two or more

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# Project Engagements

gateways to best meet community needs. development and investment in these four Join the conversation to help shape future

Opportunities Phase 1: Issues and

Phase 2: Exploring Opportunities

Phase 3: Test Recommendations

Area Plans Phase 4: Small station-area-plans

divisions/planning-zoning/planning-studies/transitwww.stlouisparkmn.gov/government/departmentsthe planning process:

informed about project updates and

Visit the City website to stay

Stay Informed!

**Spring 2023** -

Kick off the planning process and

learn about experiences.

**Explore opportunities and solutions** for each small area.

Summer 2023 —

Fall 2023 -

Present ideas and solutions and

confirm plan priorities.

Phase 2 engagements:

 Study area workshops (4 workshops)

Open house

Community survey

Phase 1 engagements:

Website updates

Community advisory group

meeting

- Website updates
- Community advisory group

Phase 3 engagements:

- Pop-up events (4 events)
- Website updates
- Community advisory group meeting

### Winter 2023/2024

Share the small area plans and highlight next steps.

Phase 4 engagements:

- Website updates
- Community advisory group meeting

