

NSWalks WALKABILITY AUDIT TOOL

HOW WALKABLE IS OUR COMMUNITY?

COMMUNITY: _____ DATE: _____

Thank you for participating in our community walk audit! Before our walk, review the audit to familiarize yourself with the contents. During or after the walk, rate the items in each section. At the end of the audit, add the totals from each section. Your responses will be combined to create an overall walkability rating for our community.

SIDEWALKS *Rating: 0 - 5*

- ▶ There are sidewalks ___/5
- ▶ The sidewalk is continual (not starting and stopping) ___/5
- ▶ The sidewalk is easy to walk/roll on ___/5
- ▶ The sidewalk is safe (ex: salting, snow plowed, filled cracks) ___/5
- ▶ The sidewalk is wide enough ___/5

Total: ___/25

APPEAL *Rating: 0 - 5*

- ▶ The area is clear of litter ___/5
- ▶ The route is nice/pleasant ___/5
- ▶ There are trees/plants ___/5

Total: ___/15

SAFETY *Rating: 0 - 5*

- ▶ There is enough lighting ___/5
- ▶ There are other people walking the route ___/5
- ▶ You can see other people coming/they can they see you ___/5

Total: ___/15

Notes: _____

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CROSSING Rating: 0 - 5

- ▶ There are crosswalks ___/5
- ▶ There are enough crosswalks ___/5
- ▶ The crosswalk location makes sense ___/5
- ▶ There is enough time to cross the road ___/5
- ▶ The crosswalks are safe (ex: flashing lights, flags, and crossing guards) ___/5

Total: ___/25

TRAFFIC Rating: 0 - 5

- ▶ The speed limit is posted ___/5
- ▶ The drivers follow the speed limit ___/5
- ▶ There are things that calm traffic (ex: speed bumps, curb bump outs) ___/5
- ▶ There is protection for people walking from cars on the road ___/5
- ▶ There is too much traffic ___/5

Total: ___/25

FACILITIES Rating: 0 - 5

- ▶ **There is street furniture:**
benches ___/5
garbage cans
bike racks
- ▶ **There is enough signage:**
Maps ___/5
Street signs
- ▶ There are trees for shade/shaded areas ___/5

Total: ___/15

HOW WALKABLE IS YOUR COMMUNITY?

Add up the totals from each section.

___/120

Below 60 It's a disaster for walking!

60-79 Okay, but it needs work.

80-99 Pretty good - not very many issues.

100-120 Let's celebrate!

We have a great community for walking.

Notes: _____

