COLUMBUS PUBLIC HEALTH - HEALTHY PLACES PROGRAM

WHERE SHOULD I WALK? Walk Study Checklist

WALKABILITY STUDY

The goals of the walkability study are to increase neighborhood residents walking in their neighborhood and to identify destination places that are within walking distance.

This is done by walking with neighborhood residents to identify positive places to walk in their neighborhood, inventory barriers to pedestrians and bikers, and identify neighborhood destinations.

STUDY INFORMATION

Community Name	Franklinton
Date of Walk Study:	6.5.14
Participants:	City Staff:1
	Adults: 3
	Children: 0
Distance Walked:	
	2.82 miles
Weather Conditions:	Sunny and hot- 63 degrees



OVERALL COMMENTS:

Franklinton is a walkable community- it has great connectivity, people are outside, and there are places to walk/ gather, such as Gladden Community House, Franklinton Gardens, and the Franklinton library. However, there are barriers to walking in this area- there are concerns regarding safety, aesthetics, such as boarded up houses/ vacant lots, and environmental factors, such as cracked sidewalks. While Dodge is a frequently used community recreation center, there are few other opportunities within the Neighborhood Pride boundaries. Franklinton offers a variety of community resources, including neighborhood pride, a food pantry, healthy corner store, however, progress is needed to make walking more appealing to community residents.



PLAYABILITY/RECREATION

Playgrounds where these conditions were observed:

	Available shade.	Islands on Da	akota Ave	and \	Nest P	ark Av	e		
	Benches or tables for seating.								
GOOD	Water Fountains.								_
9	Play equipment appropriate for young children.	School- Princ	eton						_
	Smooth asphalt playground.								_
	Regularly mowed open spaces.	Islands prese	ent on Dak	ota A	ve and	l West	Park A	Ave	
	Lack of available shade.								
FAIR	No benches or tables for seating.	Islands on Dakota Ave and West Park Ave							
	No working water fountain.	Islands on Da	akota Ave	and \	Nest P	ark Av	e		
	Unsafe playground equipment.								
POOR	Deteriorated asphalt.								
_	Open spaces that are not mowed.								
	FING: Overall, how would you rate the eational opportunities in your neighborhood?	Circle one:	Few >>	1	2	3	4	5	>>Many
	MMENTS: Though residents use the islands ipment. One of the traffic islands is picture		alk around	l, ther	e are r	no ben	ches, v	vater	fountains, or playground





NEIGHBORHOOD SIDEWALKS

Streets and addresses where these conditions were observed:

QC	Sidewalks are wide with room to pass other walkers or walk with a friend.	Rich St- especially between Souder Ave and Martin Ave and by Town St, Town St								
GOOD	Sidewalks are continuous throughout the walk.	Davis Ave, Souder Ave, West Park, Cypress								
	There is available shade along sidewalks.	Rich St								
FAIR	Sidewalks are uneven, cracked or broken.	Sullivant Ave, E. side of Glenwood Ave, Martin Ave (holes as well), Rich St, Yale Ave near Town St, Corner of Rich and Glenwood Ave, curb on Hawkes near town is cracked completely								
	Sidewalks are missing or stop in places.	W. side of Glenwood, Martin Ave near Town- sidewalk buried by grass								
a (There are no sidewalks or designated walking areas.	Rich St- near West Park								
	TING: Overall, how would you rate the sidewalks in ir neighborhood?	Circle one: Few >> 1 2 3 4 5 >>Many								

COMMENTS: There is great connectivity and most streets have sidewalks. In additional, there are ADA compliant ramps peppered throughout the neighborhood (many on Sullivant). It is a bit difficult to walk along certain sidewalks due to overgrowth from vacant lots, litter, and cracked sidewalks.





Overgrowth present on some sidewalks.

Nice sidewalk with shade but litter is present.







Nice shaded sidewalk.

Hole in sidewalk.

NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS AND FURNITURE

Streets and addresses where these conditions were observed:

	There are marked crosswalks.		•					•	ondale Elementary and od and Sullivant
Q	Buffers are present on most streets.								
GOOD	Transit stops are present in the neighborhood.	Sullivant Av	e, Davis Av	e, To	wn St				
J	There are places to sit along the sidewalks.								_
	Bike lanes are present.								
FAIR	Buffers are present on some streets.	Sullivant Av	е						
ΕA	There are a few marked crosswalks.								
POOR	There are no marked crosswalks.	Sullivant Ave- there are not many marked crosswalks in this pride area							
PO	There are no buffers present.	Princeton A	ve- posts p	laced	in sid	ewalk,	parts	of Ric	h St
	FING: Overall, how would you rate the streets in r neighborhood?	Circle one:	Few >>	1	2	3	4	5	>>Many
ma	MMENTS: There are many stop signs on Surkings. Public transit stops are located threnwood.		_						







Post placed obstructing walkers in sidewalk.

Crosswalk near school on Princeton-needs to be re-painted.



COMMUNITY GATHERING PLACES

Streets and addresses where these conditions were observed:

Neighbors can buy food and groceries.

Sullivant- Herbert's (healthy corner store), Gladden Pantry on Glenwood Ave,

Franklinton Gardens

Neighbors can gather with friends.

GOOD

Franklinton Gardens

Neighbors can worship together.

St. John's Episcopal Church

RATING: Overall, how would you rate the opportunities for community building in your neighborhood?

Circle one:

Few >>

1

3

2

(4)

5

>>Many

COMMENTS: Franklinton residents have the opportunity to walk to areas to obtain groceries, worship, and places to gather.



This is a picture of one of the gardens of Franklinton Gardens on the corner of Rich and Martin.



SAFETY

Streets and addresses where these conditions were observed:

	Short, pedestrian-scale lighting is present.								
	Neighbors are outside.	Certain area	s of Sulliva	ant (be	tweer	Gree	n and	Davis	s), Martin
GOOD	Dogs are secured.								
Ю	Traffic is calm.	Many side s	treets- Mar	tin Av	e, Hav	wkes A	ve, Av	onda	le Ave, Dakota Ave; Rich St
	Drivers obey stop signs and crosswalks.								
	Tall, automobile lighting is present.	Princeton Av	/e, Sullivar	t Ave					
FAIR	No one else is outside.								
	Dogs are intimidating or not secured.	Sullivant Ave	e- right pas	t Gree	en; Ric	ch St- r	ight be	efore	Glenwood
	There is no lighting.								
POOR	Drivers ignore stop signs and crosswalks.								
	Traffic is fast or unsafe.								
	FING: Overall, how safe do you feel walking our neighborhood?	Circle one:	Few >>	1	2	3	4	5	>>Many
The	MMENTS: There were many people out e side street traffic was fairly calm and dogs were secured but a few were inti	drivers obeye	ed the stop	signs	Tall	automo	obile li	ghting	g was present on most streets.



Tall automobile lighting.

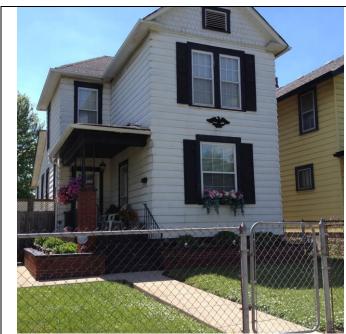
HOUSING

Streets and addresses where these conditions were observed:

_	Houses are well-kept and yards are mowed.	Souder Ave, South Yale, Martin Ave, Dakota Ave, Town by Mount Carmel									
G005	There is no excessive noise.										
ල ල	There is a pleasant feeling about the street.	Parts of Ric	h St, Yale	Ave, I	Martin A	Ave					
FAIK	Houses are not well maintained.	Abandoned houses on Sullivant Ave, Martin Ave, Dakota Ave, Princeton Ave, West Park Ave, Rich St, Souder Ave, Davis Ave. Some vacant lots are not mowed- overgrowth many places- Davis. Trash at Gleason's Market and trash pile at Hawkes and Rich; Jagged, dismantled fence at an alley off of Davis between Sullivant and Rich									
	Excessive noise comes from houses.										
200	Criminal activity may be taking place.	Dakota Ave Cypress Av	, , ,		,	s- bet	ween :	Sulliva	ant and Rich and between		
_	4		Few >>		(2)	3		5	>>Many		

saw people outside on their porch or children playing.







Well maintained house and yard.

Boarded up house.



Graffiti along the fence.

