

Pathways to the Future

TRANSPORTATION



Advisory Workgroup Meeting

January 22, 2025

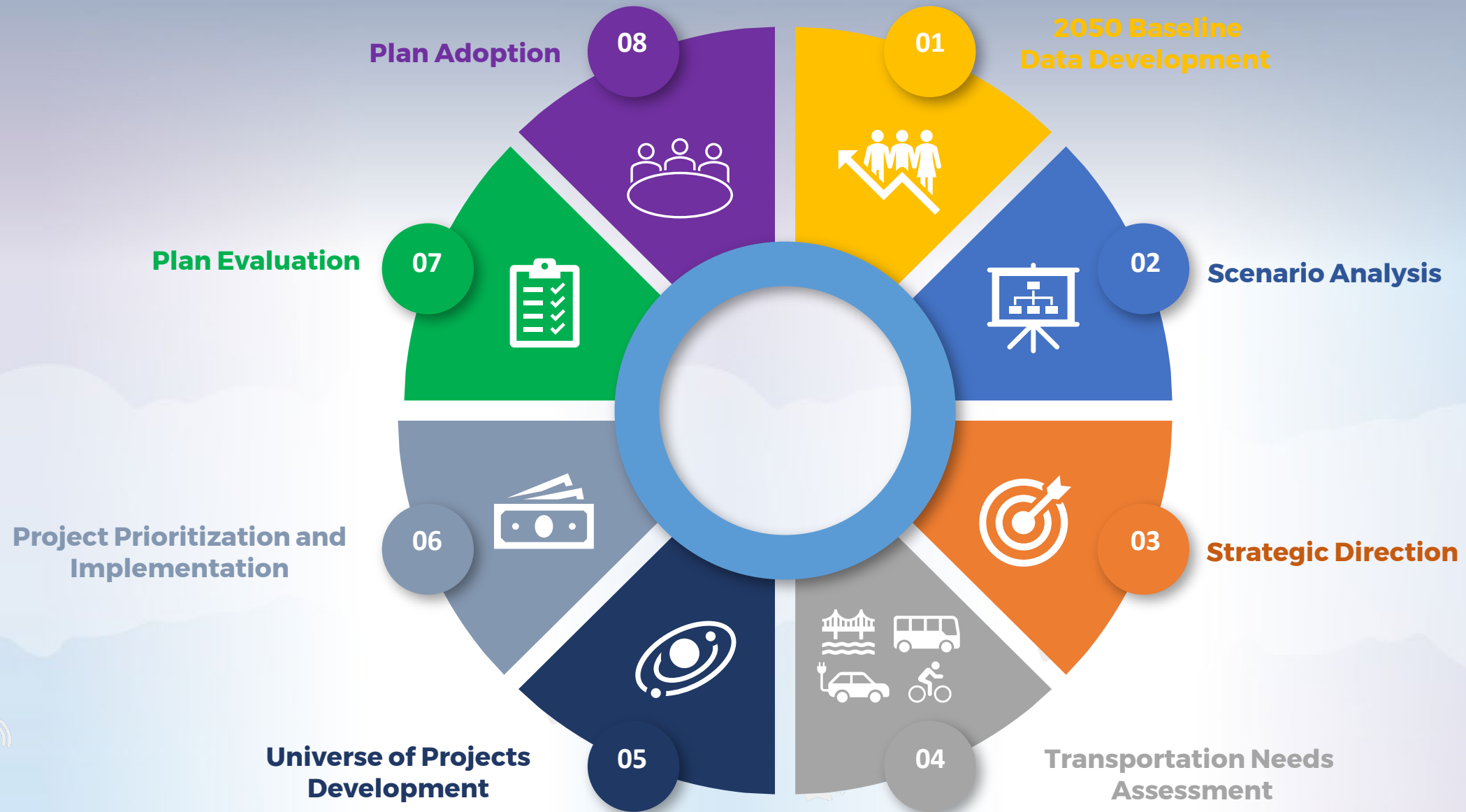


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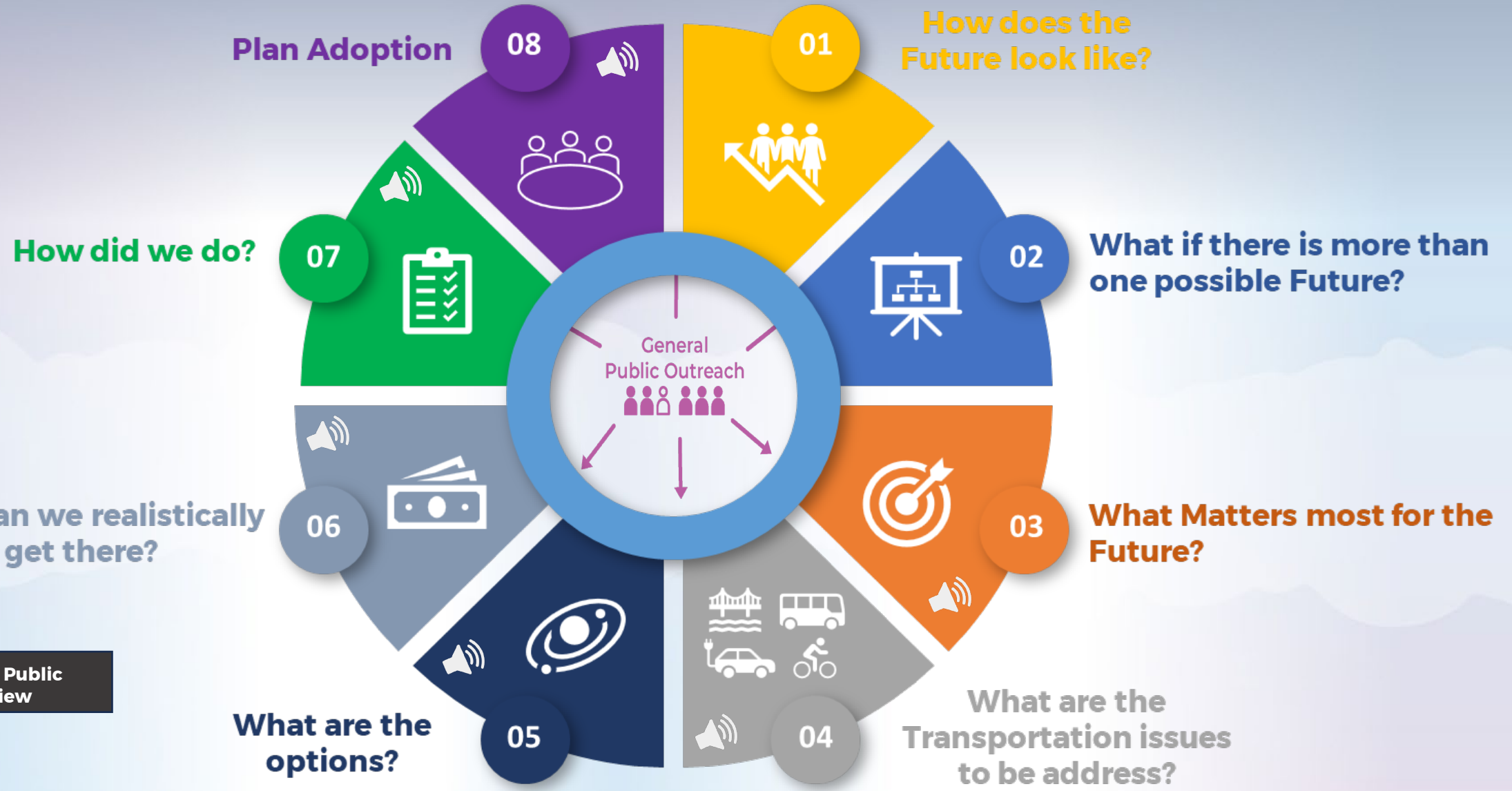
- 1. Attendance**
- 2. Kickoff Meeting Summary**
- 3. Public Comment Period**
- 4. LRTP Progress Update**
- 5. LRTP Task 4**
- 6. LRTP Public Engagement Update**
- 7. LRTP Data Development Update**
- 8. LRTP Task 5**
- 9. Next Meeting**

L RTP Progress Update

2050 LRTP - PROCESS FLOW




2050 LRTP - PROCESS FLOW - PUBLIC




2050 LRTP PROCESS FLOW - LRTP-AWG ACTION ITEMS

Task 3 Strategic Direction

Vision, Goals, Objectives



Performance Measures (PM)



Transportation Issues Identification (Overarching Problems)



Geographic Clusters and groupings of Issues

Transportation Needs Assessment (Specific Solutions)



Regional Project Inclusion Guidelines



Universe of Multimodal Transportation Projects (Tangible Actions)



Project Prioritization Process



Constrained Plan




Task 4 Transportation Needs Assessment

Task 5 Universe of Projects Development

Task 6 Project Prioritization and Implementation

LRTP -AWG ACTION ITEMS

 Input  Recommendation

 Discussion  Agreement

LOOKING BACK TO LOOK AHEAD

**L RTP Brand
 Name &
 Horizon Year**



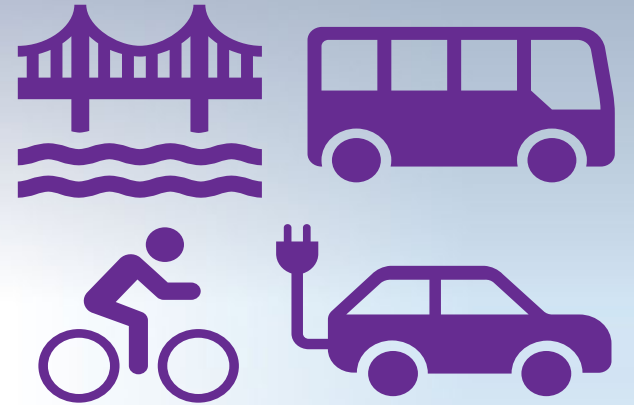
Base Year	2008	2012	2017
Project Prioritization Process	Goal-Based Subjective	Goal-Based Objective	Performance Based
Constrained Budget	\$ 1,205,497,000	\$ 1,756,571,750	\$ 5,817,164,000
Per Capita Spending	\$ 1,203.51	\$ 1,729.56	\$ 5,478.41



L RTP TASKS UNDERWAY

- LRTP Task 3 – Strategic Direction
- LRTP Task 4 – Transportation Issues and Needs Identification
- LRTP Public Engagement for Task 4
- LRTP Data Development for Task 4 and 6

LRTP PHASE 4



**What are the Transportation issues to be addressed?
(Transportation Needs Assessment)**

- Identify multimodal transportation issues, needs, and deficiencies
 - Safety Issues
 - Congestion
 - Lack of interconnectivity/accessibility
 - Lack of transportation options
 - Inadequate Roadway Capacity and Design

- **Conduct an Existing Multimodal Transportation System Analysis**
- **Develop an Inventory of Regional Multimodal Transportation Needs**
- Develop an Inventory of Future Transportation Needs based on Forecasted Demand
- Develop Regional Transportation Equity Needs
- Develop Regional, State and Federal Level Policy Needs

Purpose and Benefit

- Identify Gaps in Transportation Network
- Highlight Problem Areas i.e., bottlenecks, safety hotspots
- Planning for Future Needs
- Identify underserved populations
- Facilitate informed decision making

- **What are we assessing?**
 - Infrastructure conditions, Traffic Congestion, Safety Conditions, commuting patterns, degree of transportation options
- **What are the metrics?**
 - Traffic volume, peak congestion, LOS, accident rates and point density (hotspots), ridership, travel time, linear miles of facilities, commodity flow
- **What are our sources?**
 - Government agencies, industry-specific sources, mode specific reports, Census data
- **How are we analyzing the data?**
 - GIS/Visualization, Traffic Flow Analysis, Historical Trends, Safety/Risk Assessments

Modal Emphasis

TRANSIT

- Bus Routes
- Bus Stops
- Microtransit zones
- Park and Rides
- Ridership

ACTIVE TRANS.

- Trails (Linear Miles)
- Mixed Use Facilities

ROADWAY

- Functional Classification
- Regional Roadway Network
- National Highway System

FREIGHT

- Rail, Air, Port Infrastructure
- Freight corridors
- At-grade Rail Crossings
- Commodity Flow (Tonnage, Value)
- Passenger Rail Ridership

Roadway Conditions

CMP

- Bottlenecks
- Peak Period Congestion
- Travel Time Index
- Buffer Time Reliability
- AM/PM Peak Congestion

PAVEMENT/ STRUCTURE CONDITIONS

- Structure Type and Condition
- Critical Condition Index
- Pavement Condition Index
- Toll Roads

SAFETY

- Crashes
 - Serious Injury
 - Fatality
- High Injury Network

Community Development/Environment

ENVIRONMENTAL

- Wetlands
- Wildlife Biodiversity Corridors
- Conserved Lands
- Ecological Cores
- Easements

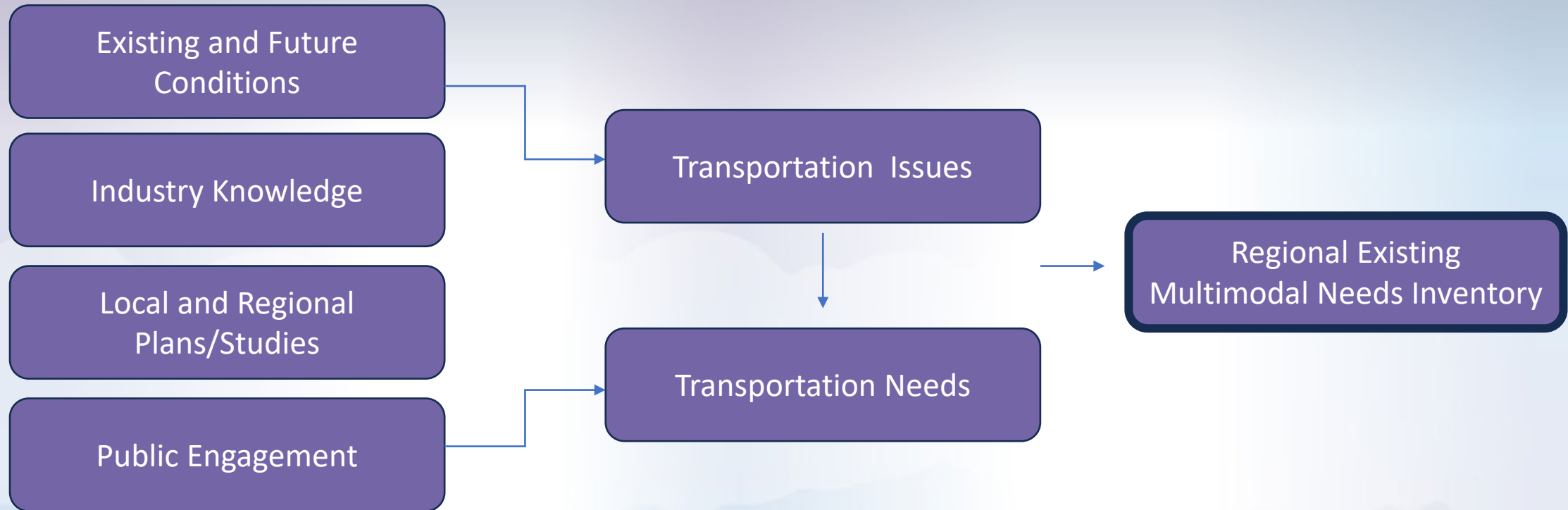
HOUSING/COMM. Dev.

- Housing Units
- Housing Affordability
- Transportation Dependent Populations
- Existing Land Use
- LODES

Where are we displaying the information?

- LRTP Final Document
- LRTP Existing Conditions Story Map
- RRTPO State of Transportation Report

Identify Key Barriers to safe, efficient, and interconnected transportation



NEXT STEPS

- Continued internal/external coordination to develop needs/issues inventory
- Mapping of regional multimodal needs based on input
- Development of forecasted needs from existing and committed projects

L RTP Public Engagement Update



Pathways to the Future: Transportation 2050 (LRTP)

Updating the long-range transportation plan for the Richmond region

+ Follow

Home / Pathways to the Future: Transportation 2050 (LRTP)

- Survey
- Issue Map
- Overview
- FAQs
- Definitions
- Toolkit

Transportation Experience Survey

Open

Project timeline



Visioning

What matters most for the future of the region?

October 2024-May 2025

Presenting opportunities for the public to help shape strategic goals and objectives of the plan.



Identifying Needs

<https://engage.planrva.org/LRTP>



Script for Community Engagement – L RTP 2050

Introduction

(personalize as needed)

"Hello _____, (the group you're addressing)

My name is _____ and as you may know, I'm _____ (insert your committee/job/role here) as part of the region's Transportation Planning Organization.

I'm excited to talk to you about an important project for the Richmond region: the Long Range Transportation Plan, also known as the L RTP, which will be used to guide planning, decision making, funding on all types of transportation needs through the year 2050. I'm here to invite you to participate!

What is PlanRVA and the RRTPO?

(OPTIONAL – As Needed)

The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO), powered by PlanRVA, is a federally mandated and funded transportation policy-making organization. It was created to ensure regional cooperation in transportation planning and is made up of representatives from each of the nine localities, and local and state transportation stakeholders.

PlanRVA is the Richmond region's planning district commission, created by the Virginia General Assembly in 1969, to serve the nine localities of the greater Richmond region and their residents. It plans for and drives funding for infrastructure in the areas of environment and resilience, transportation, emergency management, and community development.

L RTP 2050

The L RTP is updated every five years, as mandated by federal law. The L RTP 2050 update is currently underway, and we're excited to include your input! **The focus of this first public engagement period, which runs now through April 2025, is on the transportation needs that you, the public, feel are most important.** You may care about safety, accessibility, infrastructure, congestion, interconnectivity, equity...or all of the above! The plan includes all modes of transportation.

Call to Action

(Demonstrate the engage site/survey/map/toolkit)

Everything you need to share your ideas is here on PlanRVA's engagement platform:

engage.planrva.org/L RTP

- First, we encourage you to **take a short survey to tell us about your ideas!** Designed to take no more than 3-5 minutes to complete, it can be translated with one click into 10 languages.
- In addition to the survey, **we created a companion digital map activity.** Drop a pin on any location in the region where you think transportation improvements or investments are needed. Add your reasons why and any suggestions you have.
- **Share about the public input period in your own networks and communities!** Use the online Toolkit, complete with a flier, social media graphics, and a listing of upcoming community events where PlanRVA will be this Spring.
- **Follow the project** there to get updates throughout the process.

Conclusion

We want to ensure that these plans reflect the diverse needs, lived experiences, and vision of the entire region. Thank you for helping us spread the word in the places where you live, work, and play.



[Download Script](#)

SHARING THE LRTP

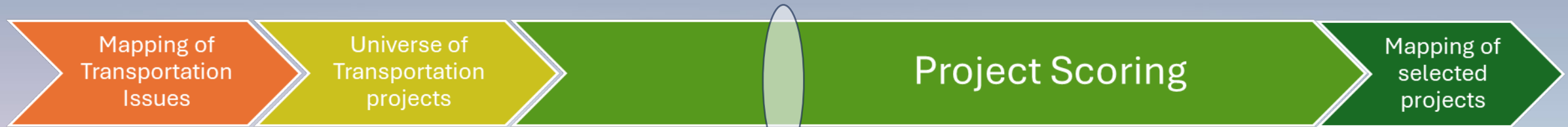


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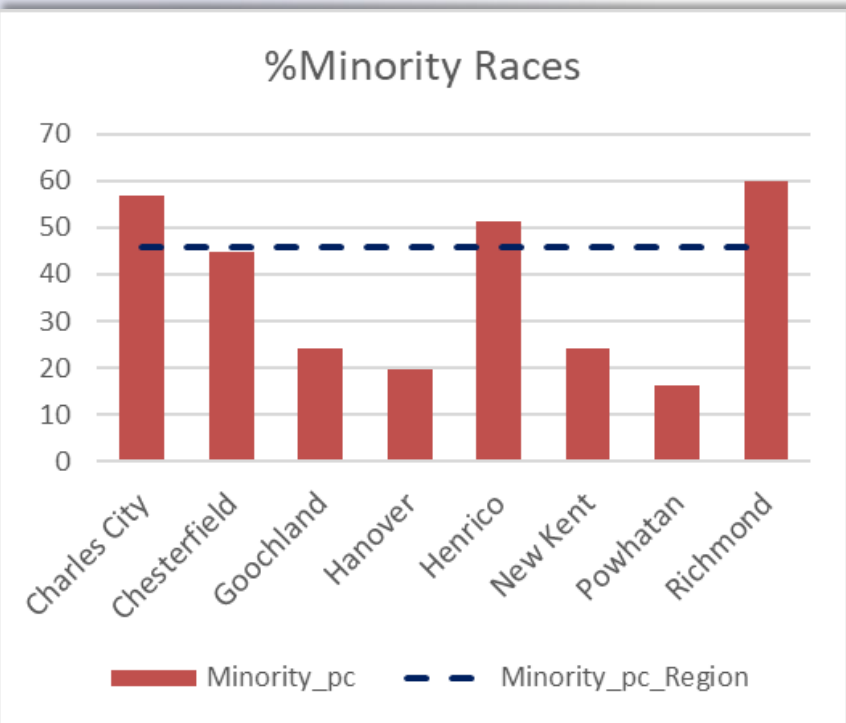
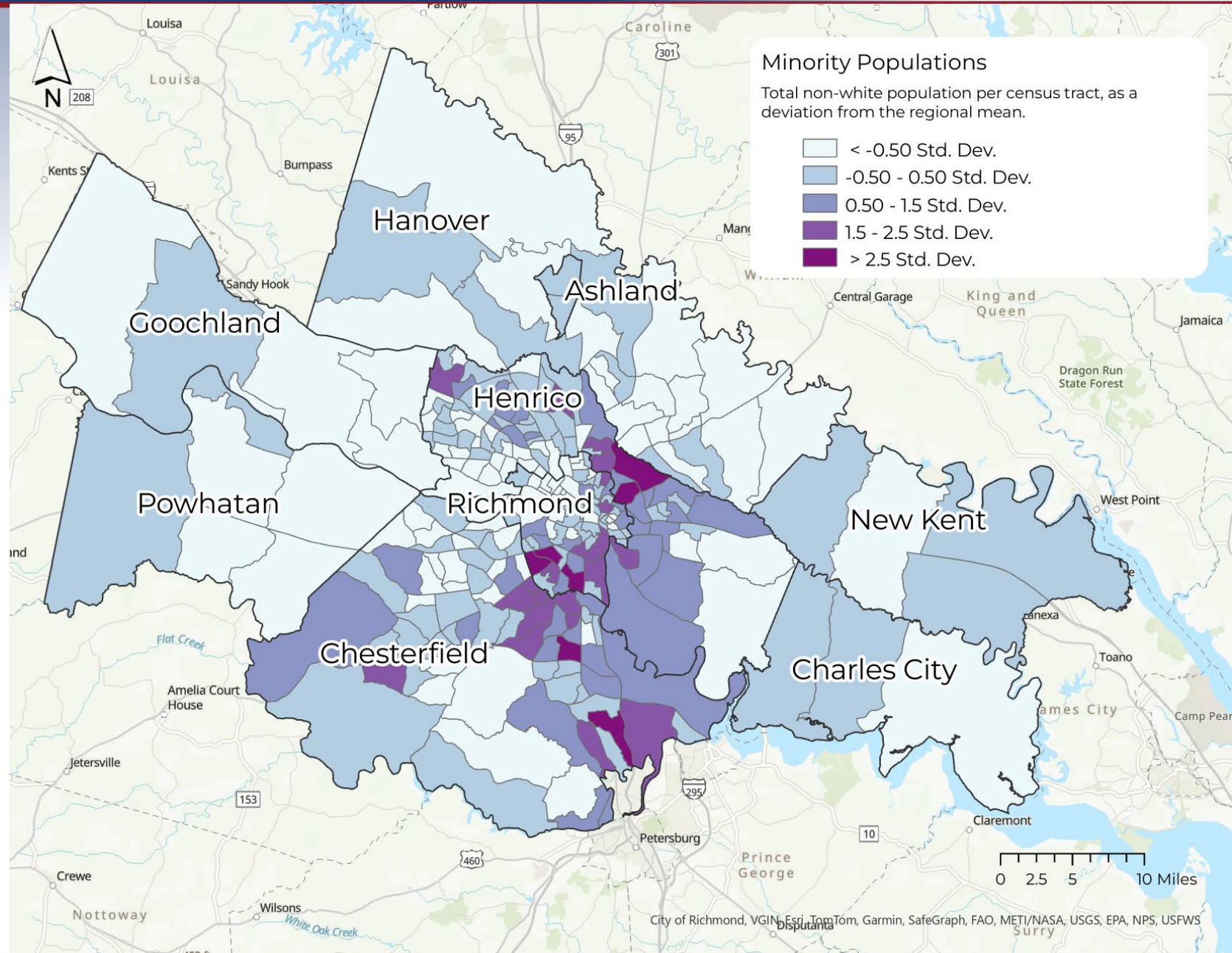
L RTP Data Development Update

L RTP - DATA DEVELOPMENT

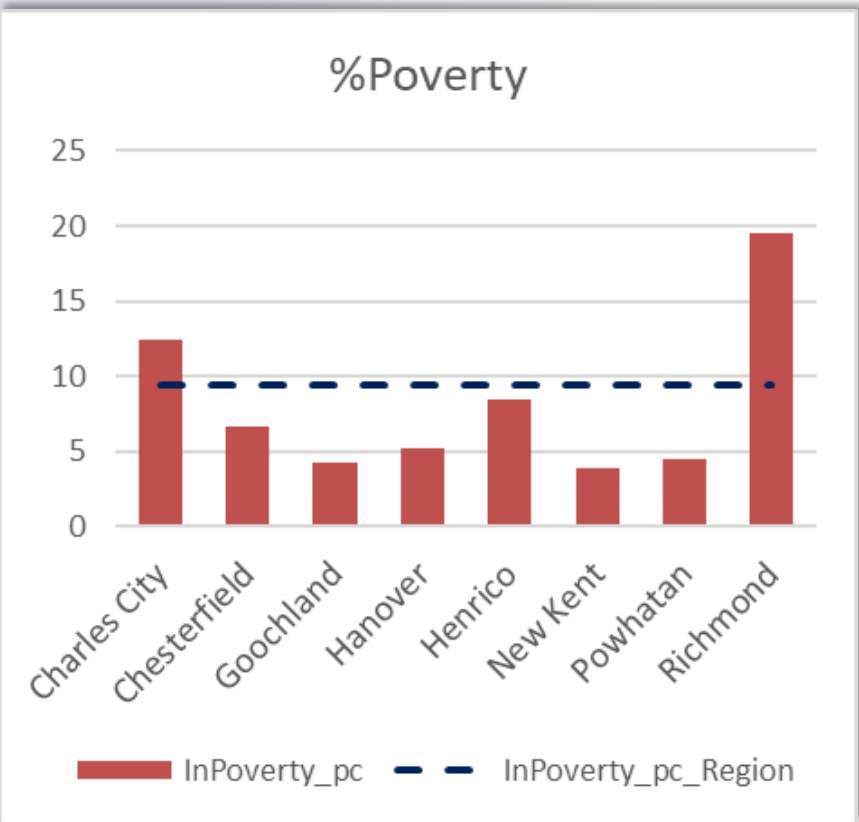
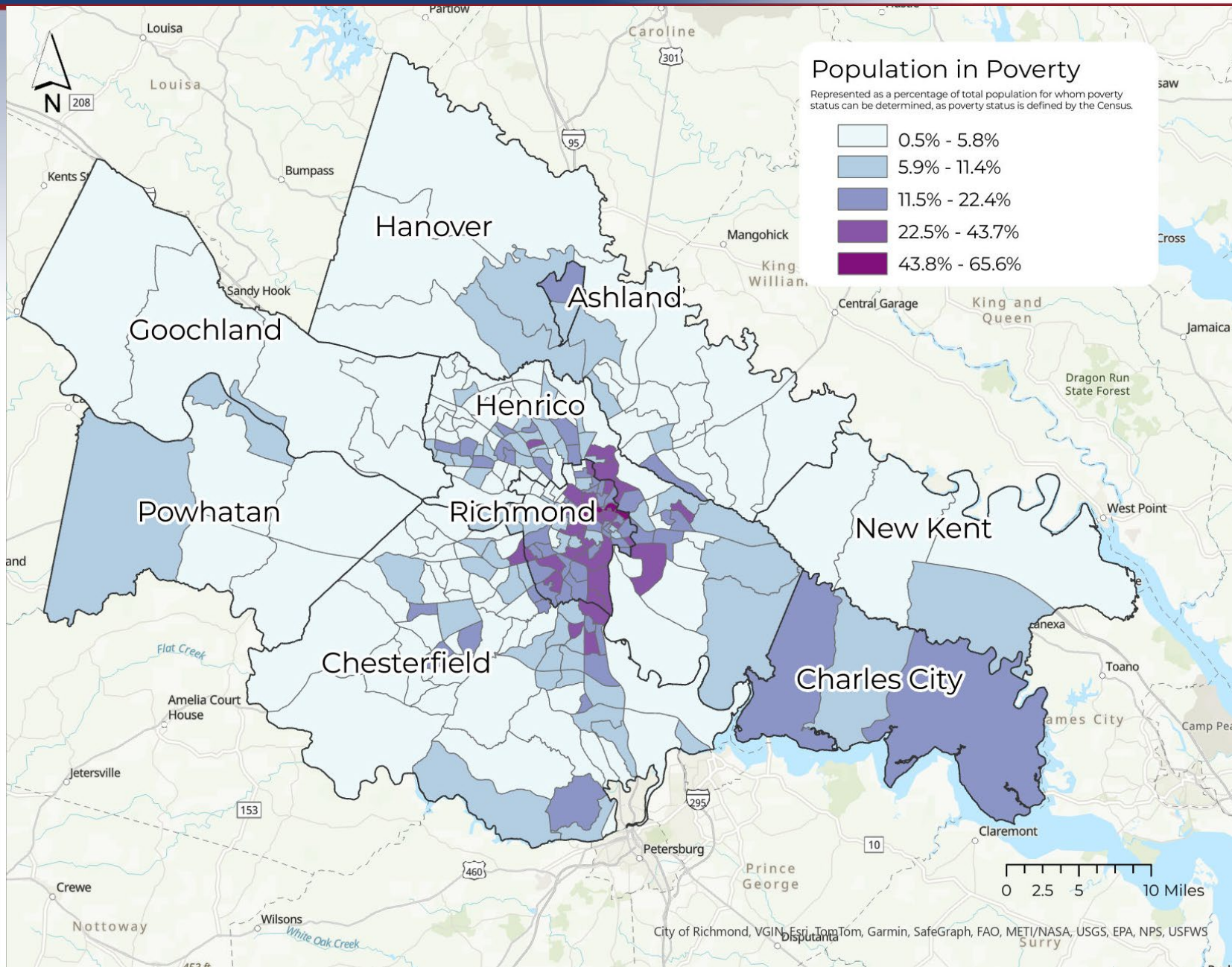


- Equity**
 - Minority
 - Low income
 - Disability
 - Without a car
 - Elderly
 - Limited English
 - Housing cost burdened
 - Female headed household
 - Foreign born

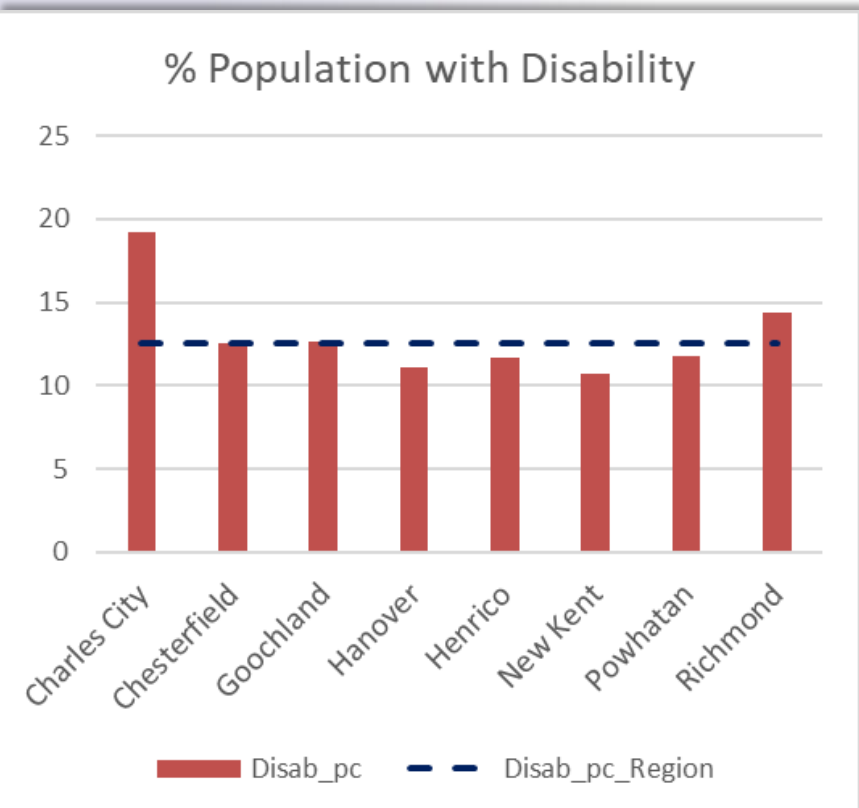
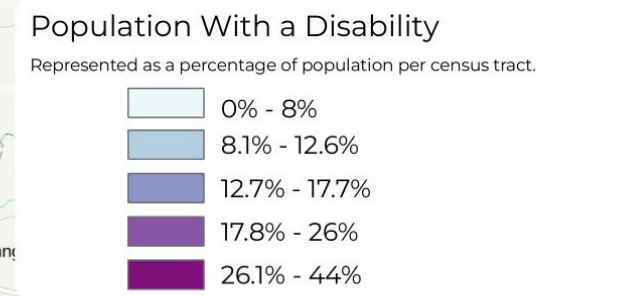
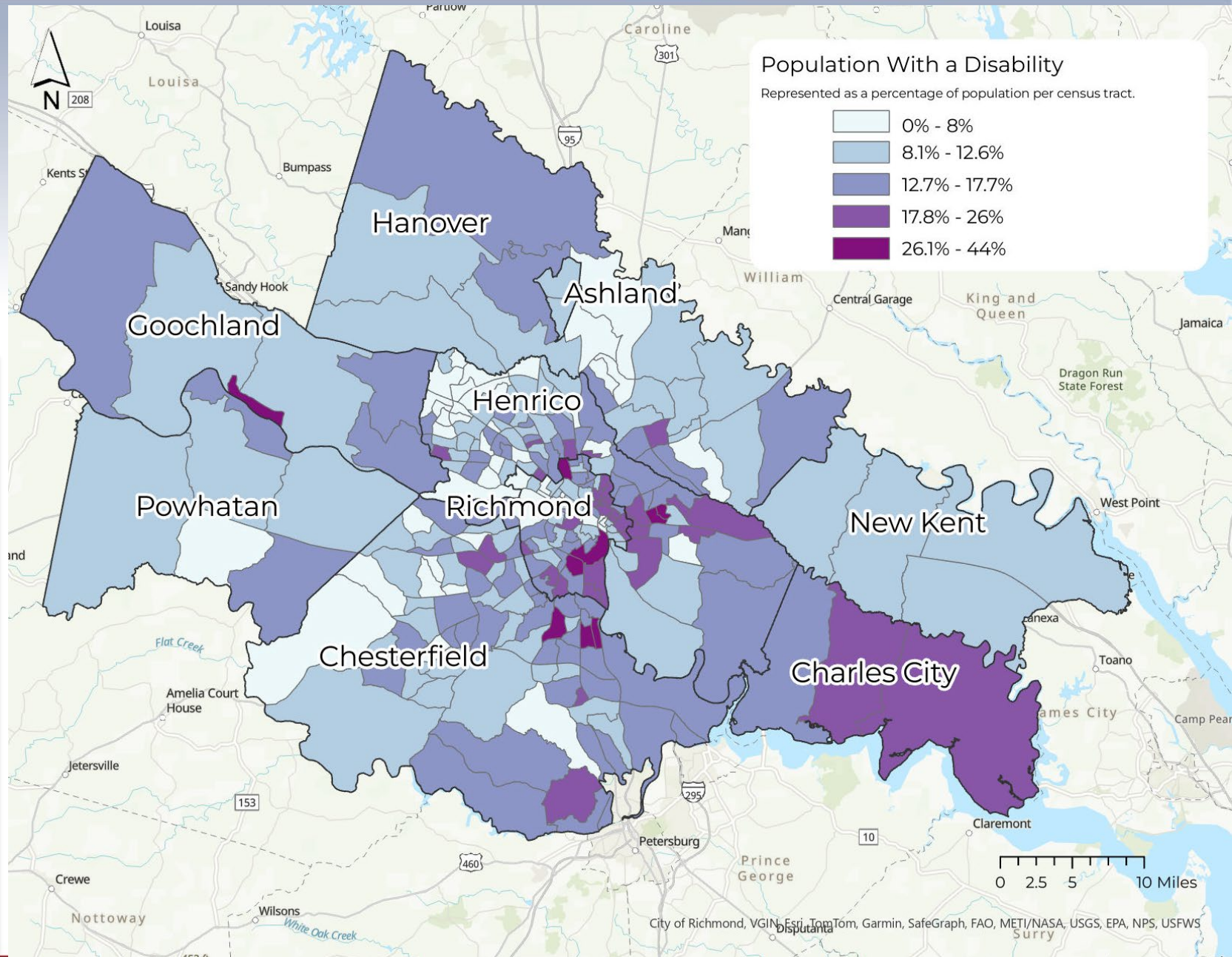
Minority Population



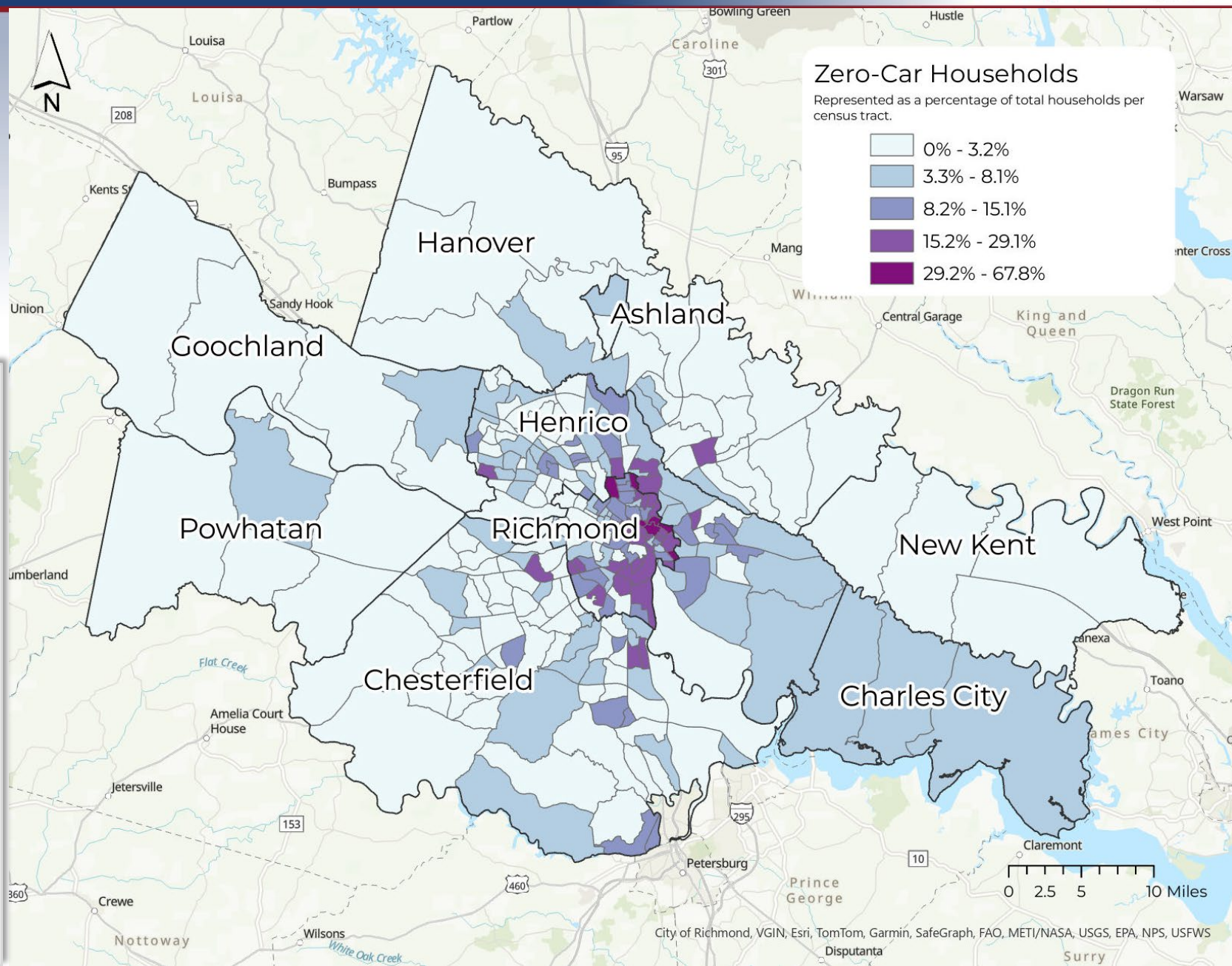
Population in Poverty



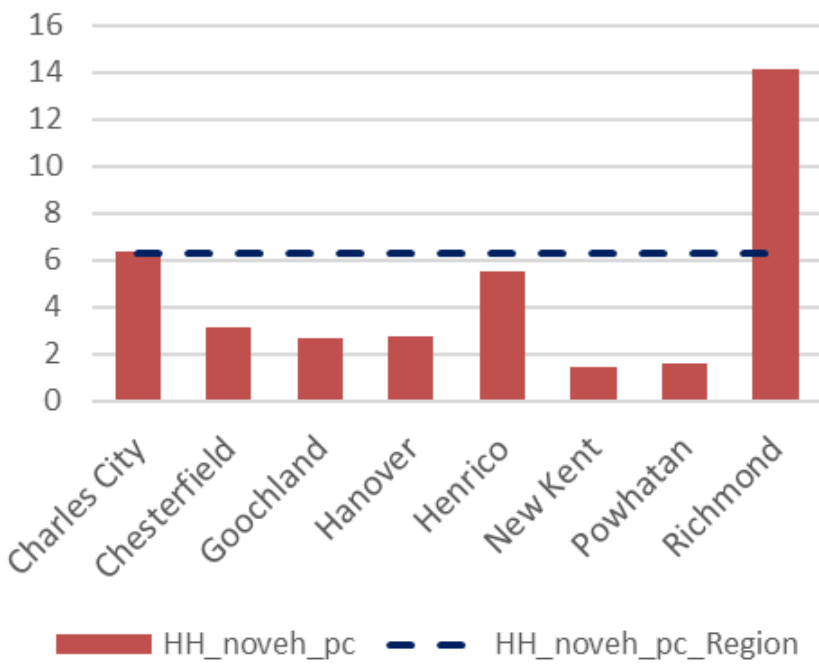
Population with a Disability



Zero-Car Household

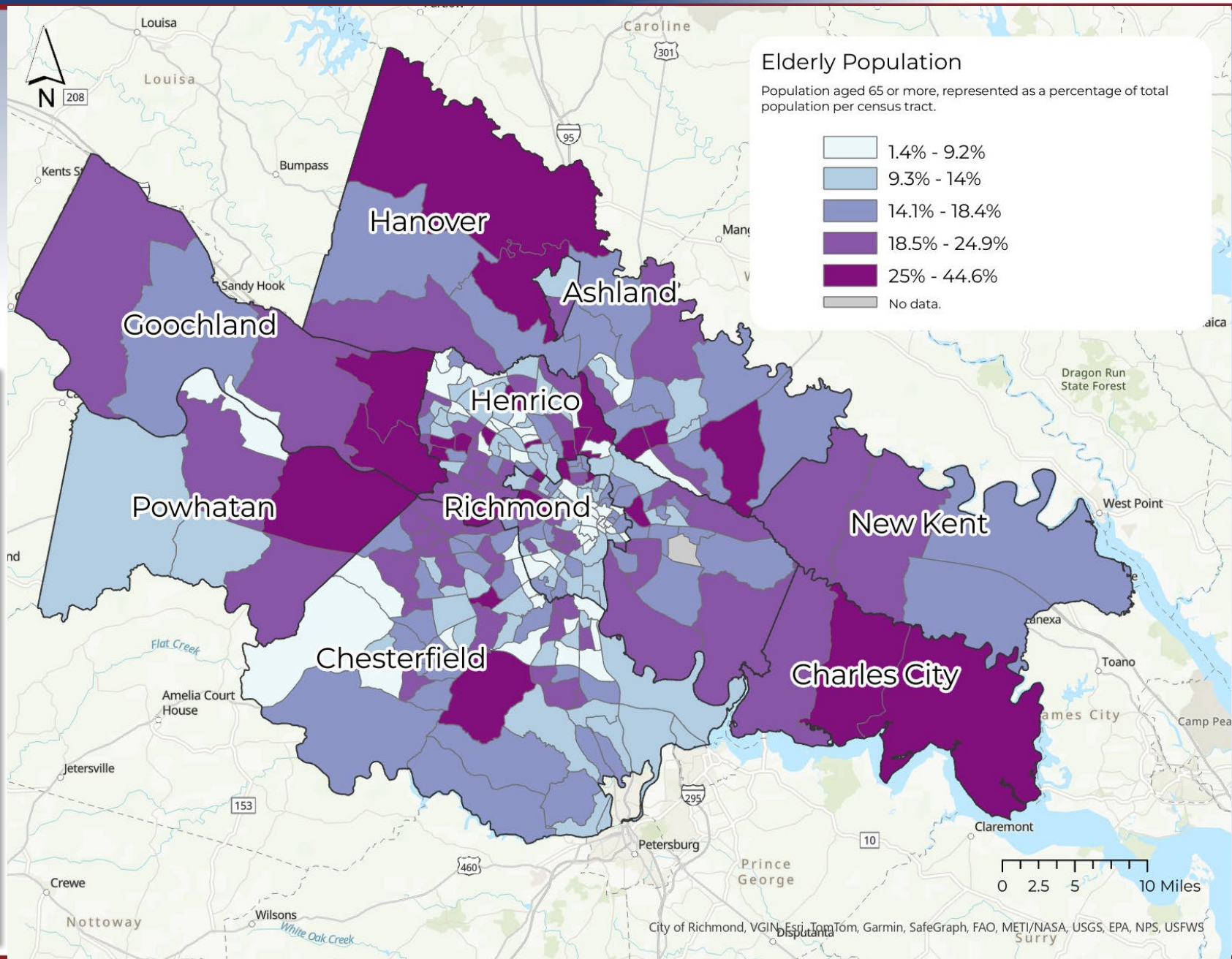


% Households without a Vehicle



City of Richmond, VGIN, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, FAO, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USFWS

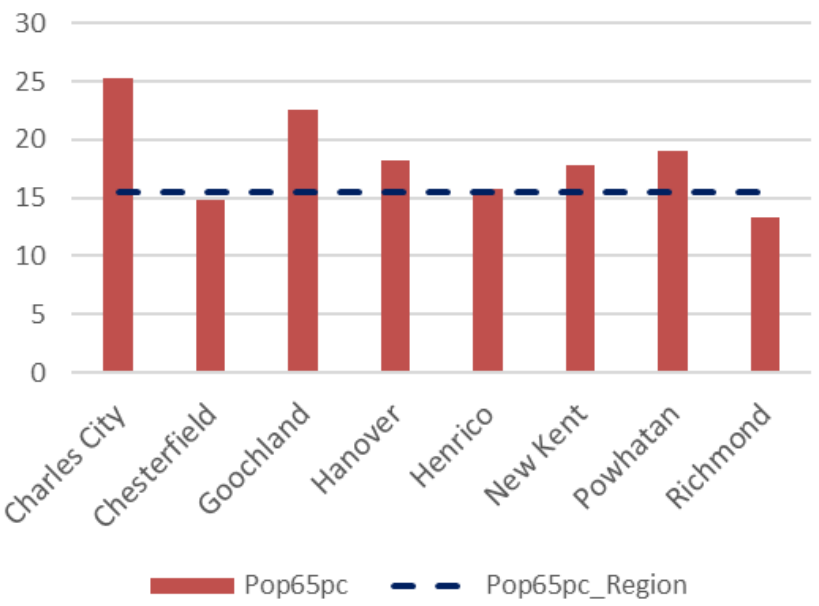
Elderly Population (65+)



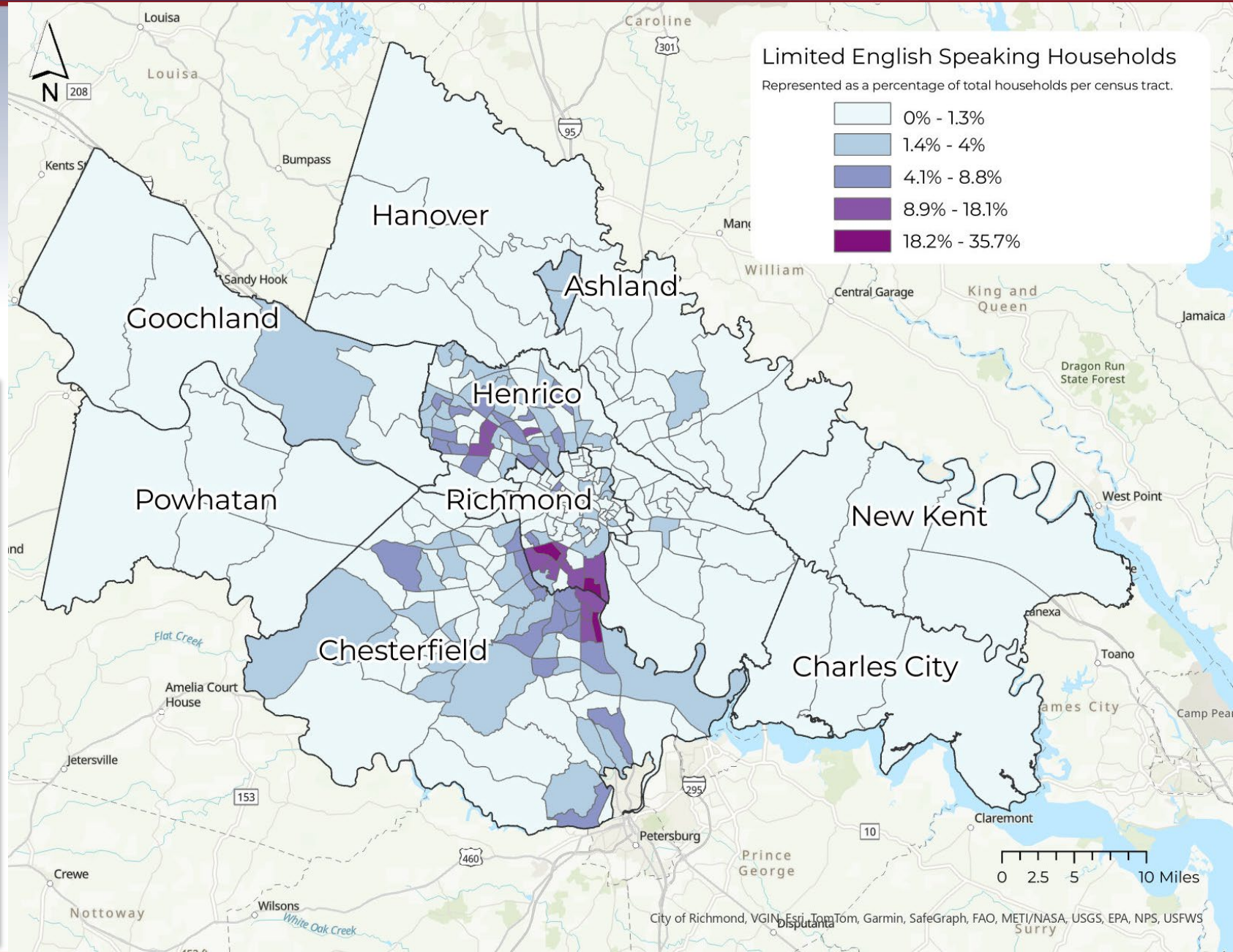
Elderly Population
 Population aged 65 or more, represented as a percentage of total population per census tract.

- 1.4% - 9.2%
- 9.3% - 14%
- 14.1% - 18.4%
- 18.5% - 24.9%
- 25% - 44.6%
- No data.

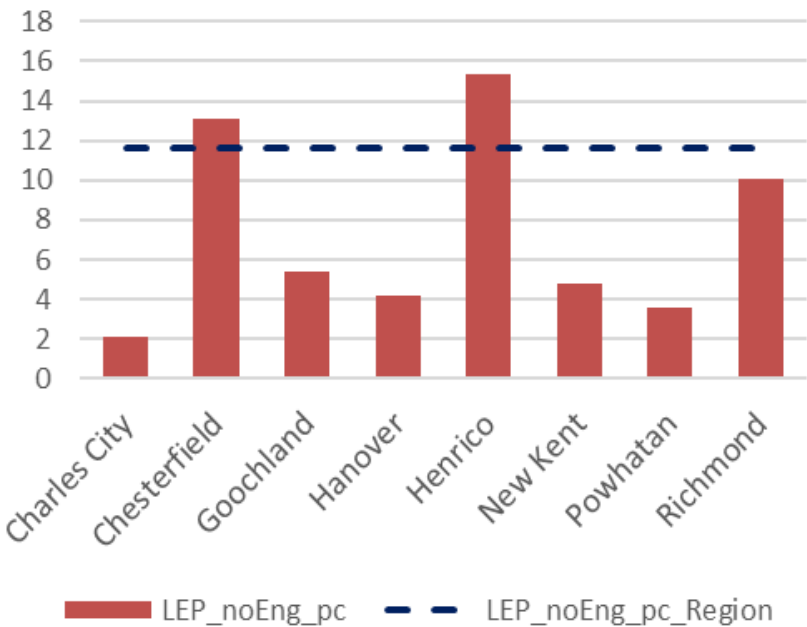
Percent Population 65 years and above



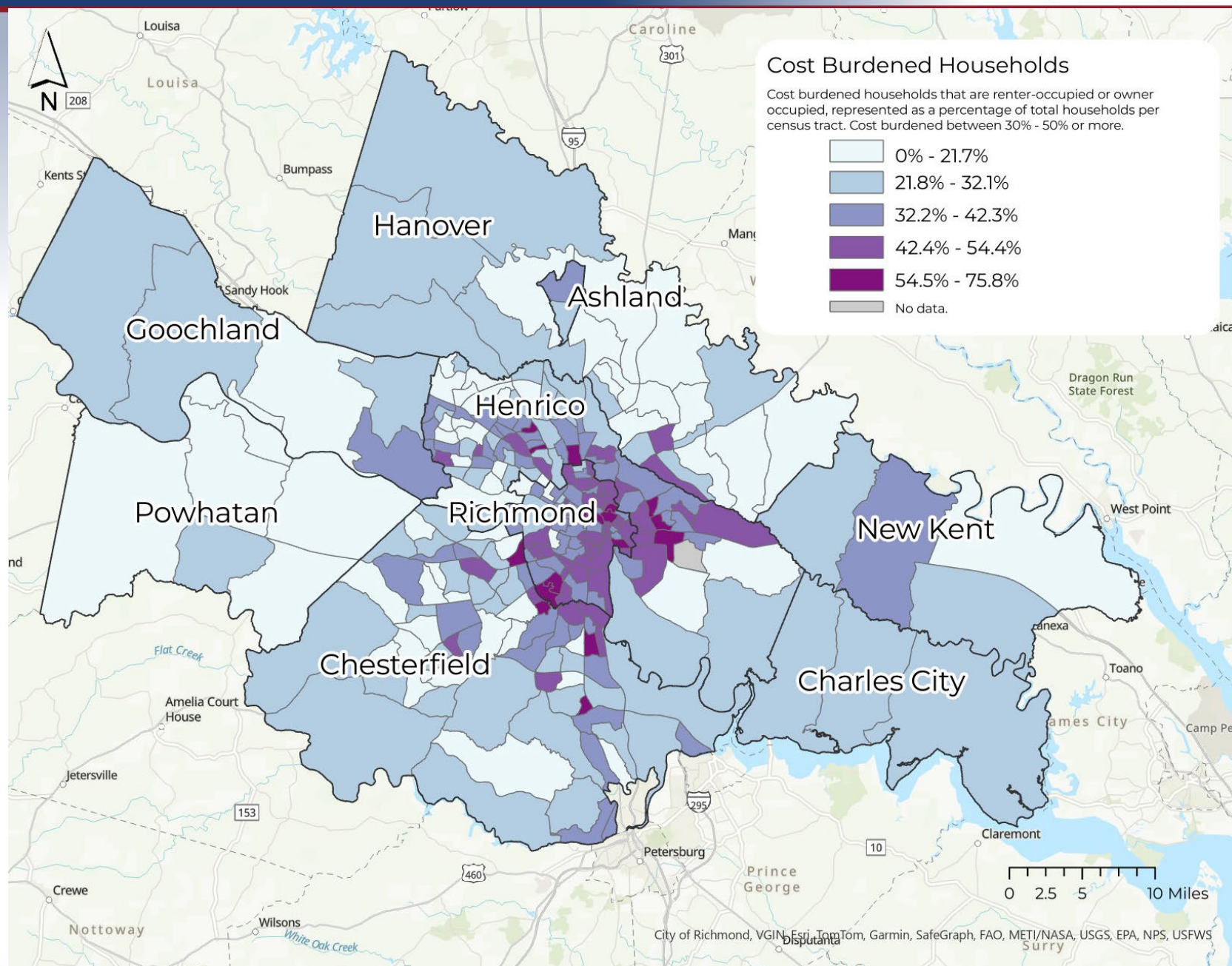
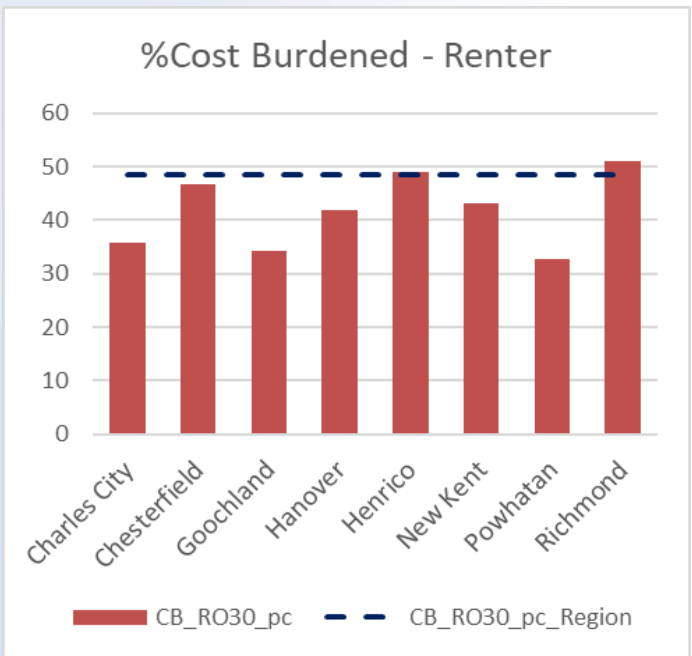
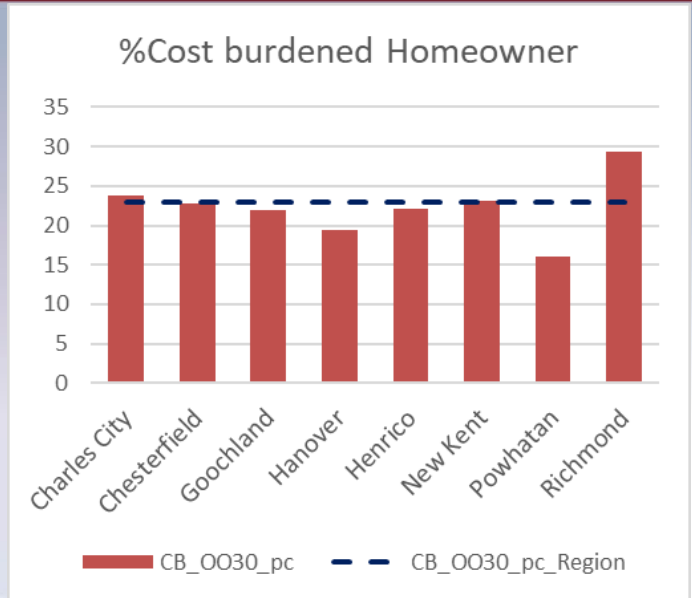
Limited English Population (LEP)



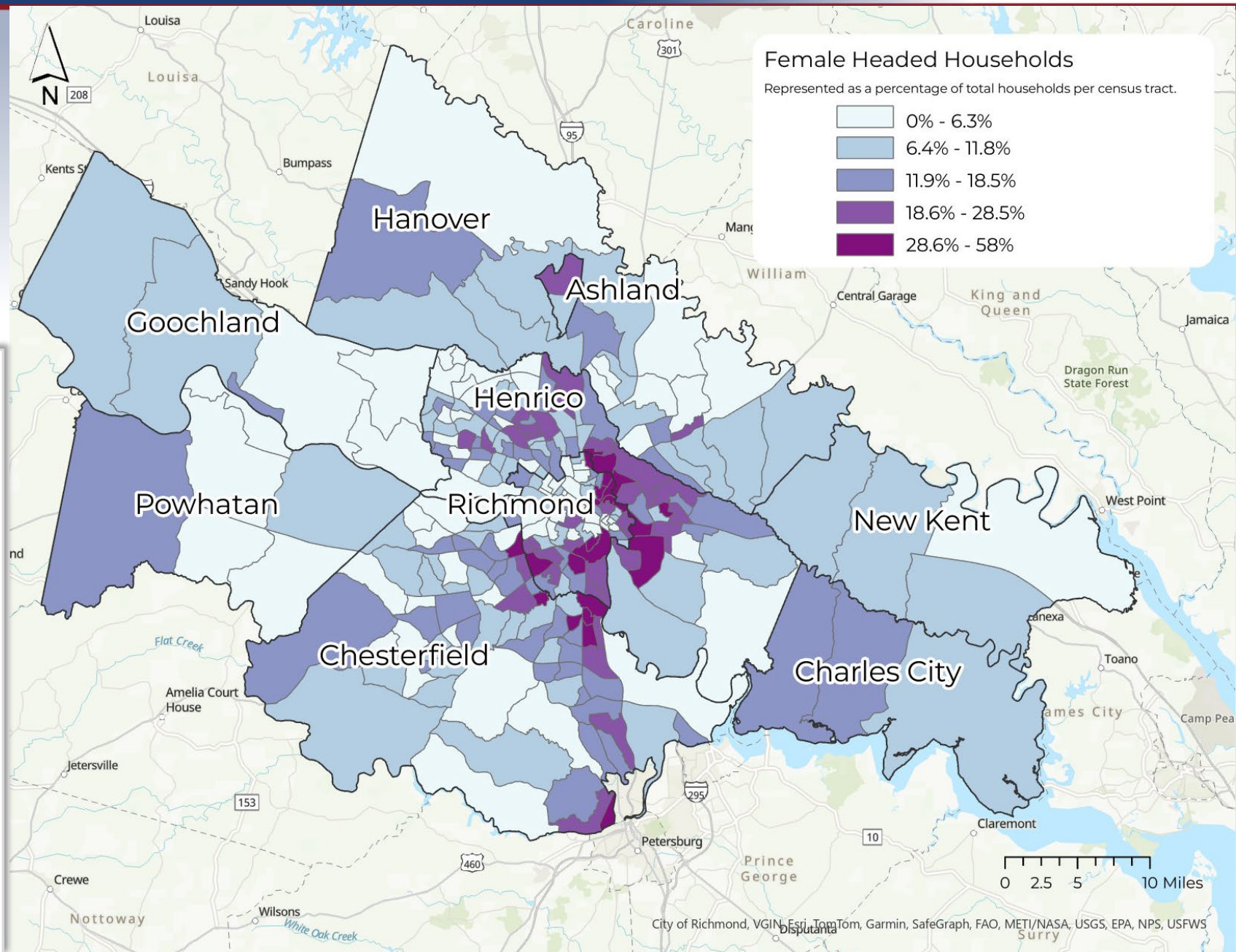
% Limited English Proficiency



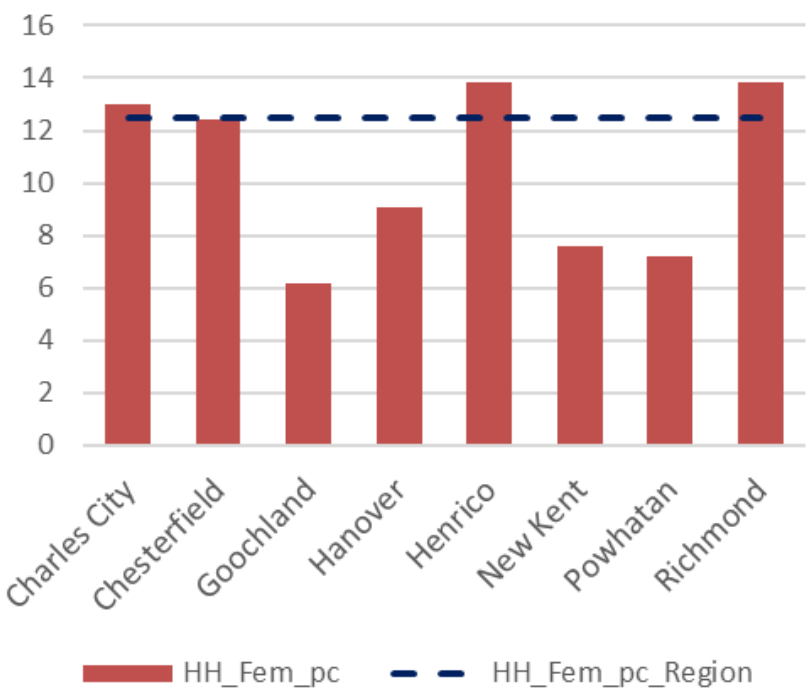
Cost-Burdened Households



Female Headed Households



%Female Headed Household



L RTP Phase 3



**What Matters most for the Future?
(Strategic Direction)**

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- Regional Strategic Plan
- Transportation Vision and Guiding Principles
- Goals
- Objectives and Strategies
- Performance Measures

Deliverables:

- Reconfirming Vision Statement and Guiding Principles form ConnectRVA 2045
- Development Goals and Objectives and Strategies for 2050 LRTP
- Performance Measures Framework for the 2050 LRTP

Policy Board Adoption – June 2025 (tentative)

FY25-FY30 Regional Strategic Plan:



This Strategic Plan covers the area within Virginia's planning district #15, comprised of the Town of Ashland, the City of Richmond, and the Counties of Charles City, Chesterfield, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, New Kent, and Powhatan. This region has a deep and complex history, a beautiful landscape threaded with rivers and communities of many kinds, and within them, the people who choose to live, work, or travel here.

To serve this region and its people, the Commission has identified a Vision for the future that it seeks to achieve through regional planning activities and coordinated and collaborative efforts.

The following five interconnected themes together constitute our Vision Statement for the region.



- Strategic and Resilient Infrastructure. A region with infrastructure that is designed and maintained to protect and enhance individual, community, and environmental health and wellbeing, support a strong economy, and provide transportation choices for everyone.



- A Healthy Environment. A region with thriving ecosystems - healthy watersheds, clean air, fruitful working lands, flourishing habitats, and communities that are located and planned in ways that recognize the connections between environmental health and human health and wellbeing.



- Attainable Housing. A region with a diverse housing stock that makes housing attainable for everyone, is safe, comfortable, resource-efficient, and is built in coordination with available or planned infrastructure and services.



- A Strong Economy. A region with an economic base that is diverse and resilient, an educated and skilled workforce, and employment that enables workers to meet their family needs; and communities with the physical, structural and social conditions to support and attract employers, workers and visitors.



- Equitable Opportunity and Choice for Everyone. A region that engages and collaborates with all voices and creates pathways to success through equitable access to jobs, housing, infrastructure and services, quality education, a healthy environment, and other elements that allow individuals and families to thrive.

Strategic and Resilient Infrastructure

A Healthy Environment

Attainable Housing

A Strong Economy

Equitable Opportunity and Choice for Everyone

Vision

The vision statement describes Richmond region's transportation aspirations in a concise manner, focus on what is really important, and provide a foundation for all other aspects of the plan.

Guiding Principles

Guiding principles is a set of fundamental values and beliefs that provide a framework for developing the vision. Guiding principles helps to ensure that the vision and goals is achieved in a way that aligns with community values. In essence, guiding principles provide the "why" behind the vision and goals.

L RTP VISION & GUIDING PRINCIPLES

VISION

The transportation system in the Richmond Region will reliably and safely connect people, prioritize more equitable opportunities for all to thrive and live healthy lives, promote a strong economy, and respect environmental stewardship.

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RVA 2045



GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. GP1. Create a safe system for all users by using committing to the proven strategies in planning, design, operations and maintenance as well as advances in technology to eliminate fatal and serious injury crashes.
2. GP2. Choice among all travel modes regionwide.
3. GP3. Expansion of regional bicycle and pedestrian networks to provide active travel alternatives to driving, for a better individual and community health.
4. GP4. A robust transit network which delivers comprehensive, effective, and convenient service, particularly in areas of greatest need and to key destinations.
5. GP5. Equity and inclusion in all transportation spending and planning decisions in the region with a focus on historically under-represented and under-served communities.
6. GP6. Efficient movement of people and goods across the transportation network.
7. GP7. Alignment of transportation investment and planning with land use, community health, and environmental stewardship.

GP1. Safety

GP2. Mode-Choice

GP3. Active Transportation

GP4. Transit

GP5. Equity

GP6. People + Freight

GP7. Land Use integration

Goals

The goals will describe a series of **desired end states** for the region's transportation system informed by the vision – and will provide foundation for objectives and performance measures.

Strategies

The strategies will be high-level approaches/methods or policy statements used to achieve the goals and objectives.

Objectives

The objectives will describe specific, measurable statements that support achievement of the goals.

Performance Measures (PM)

The performance measures provides the technical mechanism (data) to monitor progress towards objectives, goals, and vision.

Goals & Objectives



A. Safety

Improve the safety of the transportation system for all people.

- A1. Enhance safety and comforts of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- A2. Work to eliminate all serious injuries and fatalities resulting from vehicular accidents.



B. Environment/Land Use

Reduce the negative impact the transportation system has on the natural and built environment.

- B1. Address roadways prone to flooding and consider climate impacts in transportation planning prioritization and funding decisions.
- B2. Reduce transportation related pollutants.
- B3. Reduce VMT (vehicle miles travelled) per capita.
- B4. Increase number and share of trips taken by shared and active transportation modes.
- B5. Tie land use planning to transportation investments through encouragement of walkable and transit-oriented communities.
- B6. Minimize impacts of transportation system on natural resources and communities with a particular emphasis on Environmental Justice (EJ) populations.

Connect RVA 2045



C. Equity/Accessibility

Improve equitable access through greater availability of mode choices that are affordable and efficient

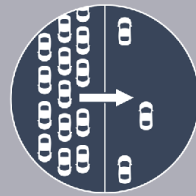
- C1. Reduce trip lengths for all people with a focus on Environmental Justice (EJ) populations.
- C2. Increase access to jobs and community services via transit, walking, and biking for all people with a focus on EJ populations.



D. Economic Development

Improve connectivity and mobility for strong economic vitality

- D1. Reduce peak period travel times.
- D2. Increase transportation investment which focuses on economic vitality.
- D3. Improve reliability and accessibility of travel to and within the regional activity centers.
- D4. Reduce freight bottlenecks.
- D5. Increase multimodal access to tourist destinations.



E. Mobility

Increase travel efficiency and mode choices by maintaining the transportation system in a state of good repair

- E1. Increase the percent of complete streets across the highway network to maximize use of available capacity.
- E2. Increase system efficiency through operational, transportation demand management (TDM), and technology-based solutions.
- E3. Improve system reliability across all modes.

PROPOSED GOALS

Safety

Minimizing the risk of fatalities, injuries, and property damage across all modes of transportation. This includes improving infrastructure, vehicle technology, and human behavior to reduce the likelihood and severity of crashes.

Sustainability

Meeting the transportation needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. This involves considering environmental, social, and economic factors

Reliability

Ensuring that the transportation system operates consistently and predictably. This means minimizing delays and disruptions, providing accurate travel time information, and maintaining infrastructure in good condition.

Resiliency

The ability of the transportation system to withstand and recover from disruptions caused by natural disasters, extreme weather events, and other emergencies.

Next Meeting

THANK YOU!

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