# Bicycle Event & Resource Map (BERM)

Plotting Our Partnerships Community Engagement Capacity Building Strategies

Safe Routes Partnership Boulder County's Mobility for All October 11th, 2023





# AGENDA

- 01. Introductions
- 02. Project Background
- 03. Bicycle Event & Resource Map Preview
- 04. Project Process + Framework
- 05. Q&A



# Meet the Team!

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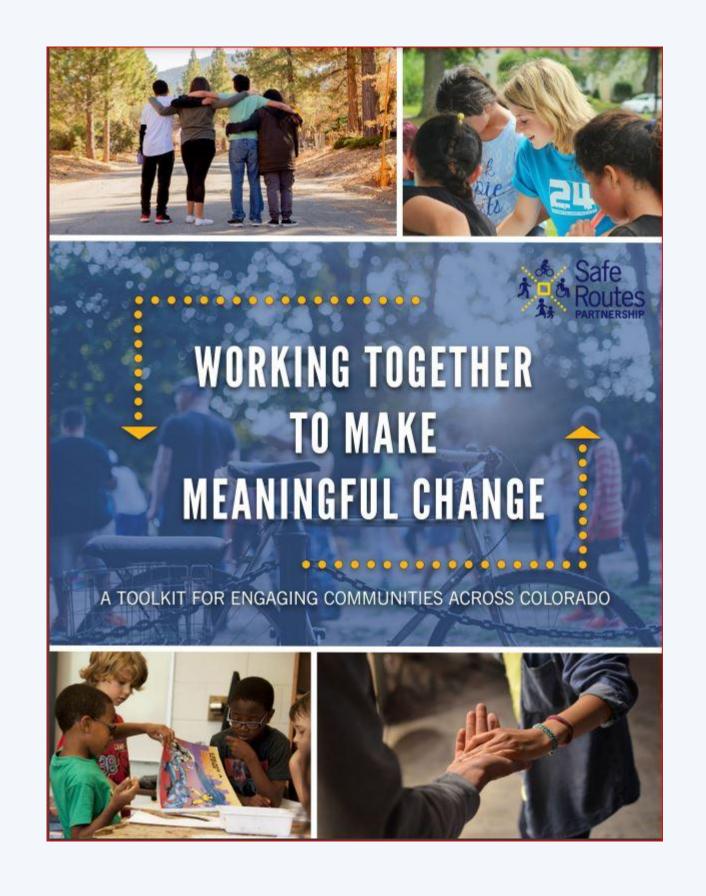
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### **PEOPLE-CENTERED FRAMEWORK**

**REFLECT** on your role as a community partner - *TAC Member*.

**RESEARCH** the community where you are working - *BERM Project*.

**PARTNER** with other organizations to build community relationships.

**PLAN** thoughtful, culturally-responsive community engagement experiences.

**IMPLEMENT** your community engagement activities and events.

**SUSTAIN** your community engagement beyond a single project or initiative.

# BERM Project Timeline

### **Origin: Pre-identified Collaborative Project** for BOCO

Came about from years of past events and partner discussions about the need for better event collaboration and resource sharing

### **Working Together to Make Meaningful Change: A Toolkit** for Engaging Communities **Across Colorado**

Collaborated w/ CDOT and the Safe Routes Partnership to pilot this toolkit with the BERM project

### **Create Project Charter,** Timeline, Research, **Survey Formatting**

Established goals, timeline, budget, and draft survey questions

### **BERM - TAC Meeting #1**

**Technical Advisory Committee** (TAC) meeting with key stakeholders to introduce project, survey distribution list development and approve data display options.

TAC members to focus on developing both tools (survey and distribution list)

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### BERM - TAC Meeting #2 BERM - TAC Meeting #3

TAC members to finalize survey and distribution list and open the survey for ~3 weeks

### Close Survey. Analyze & **Draft Asset Map Results**

Develop a draft asset map product for the benefit of partners and improved collaboration. Send out Partner Profiles for Agency review.

### **BERM - TAC Meeting #4**

TAC members to approve asset map, review qualitative analysis results (if ready), and the potential next steps e.x focus group conversations

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# Project Management



- 1. Created a Project Charter
- 2. Funding
- 3. We were able pivot from our original plan to use internal staff for the project phases thus far

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#### Project Charter: Asset Mapping Bicycling Event Resources

#### Project Background (internal and external)

- Asset Mapping is a community-based participatory approach where community members identify and document resources available that can be developed, enhanced, or modified to address community goals.
- As outlined in the <u>Colorado Community Engagement Toolkit</u>, the following steps will support the development and deepening of the community engagement processes, by following the basic framework below. This project is centered on Step 2 to help all community partners be able to improve their future efforts in steps 2-6, as well.
  - 1. Reflect on your role as a community partner.
  - Research the community where you are working.
     Partner with other organizations to build community.
  - Partner with other organizations to build community relationships.
  - Plan thoughtful, <u>culturally-responsive</u> community engagement experiences.
- Implement your community engagement activities and events
- 6. Sustain your community engagement beyond a single project or initiative. This framework is designed to be people-centered, meaning that the people who live, work, and play in the community will be at the heart of this process.
- Cultural Responsiveness & Inclusion Strategic Plan for the Boulder County Parks & Open Space Department outlines the importance of asset mapping and provides three categories of recommendations: partnerships and co-creation, communication & outreach, and economic opportunities and organizational change. This project is focusing on the partnerships and co-creation phase.

#### Desired Impact (changes in organizations, systems, communities)

- Build strong partnerships between Boulder County and Bicycling Education and Safety community partners.
- Identify currently available Bicycling Education and Safety resources among a wide variety of community partners supporting the communities in and around Boulder County.
- Create a mechanism(s) to share and promote available resources and help improve Bicycle Education and Safety focused community events that occur to support Boulder County residents and/or visitors.
- Invite partners to become part of the ?? and participate in a future Bicycle Education and Safety Work Group.
- Contribute to meeting Boulder County's Transportation Master Plan and the Mobility and Access for All Ages and Abilities Plan's strategic goals around bicycle safety and education.

#### Desired Outcomes / Benefits for Participants

- Identify services, events, and resources offered by Bicycling Education and Safety community partners.
- Empower Bicycling Education and Safety community partners to do more at their events by creating shared communication mechanism(s) to foster collaboration among and build trust among partners.
- Compile bicycling education resources identified by local partners
- Identify resource and service assets and gaps, allowing partners to collaborate better on next steps to enhance bicycling education and safety programming:
  - For more Boulder County communities, especially the historically under-resourced communities
  - By reducing the strain on individual agencies to provide all types of ideal resources vs partnering with others to provide an ideal level of resources.

#### Summary Deliverables / Outputs CE

- Partner co-created list of ideal event resources
- Partner co-created list of asset mapping survey question categories
- Spreadsheet with updated contact information of community partners conducting bicycle education and safety community engagement events within Boulder County communities.
- Summary report or spreadsheet or map with available bicycling education and safety resources, services, event types offered by community partners.

#### Project Scope (In and Out of Scope)

- Asset Mapping Survey: Before implementing the survey and data collection, coordinate 2 meetings with key stakeholders:
  - Kick-Off Identify asset map goals, partner survey categories, begin to develop survey recipient list
  - Confirmation Survey questions & recipient list final review.
- Consultant Contract: Develop a consultant RFP for data analysis; Obtain 3 quotes & identify consultant; Execute consultant subcontract; Analyze survey data; Create a summary data report &/or spreadsheet
- Share the compiled asset map data with partners.

#### High-Level Requirements: CE

- Conduct interviews with key stakeholders and community leaders.
- Conduct focus groups with selected Latinx communities.
- Compile feedback
- Incorporate resources in asset map.
- Write an updated Latinx Community Engagement Strategic Plan

#### Key Stakeholders:

- Boulder County Mobility for All Youth Transportation and other County Staff
- Boulder Valley School District
- Community Cycles, Bicycle Longmont
- Bicycle Colorado
- Non-Profits, Organization, etc. working in Boulder

#### Project Assumptions:

- Boulder County staff will work virtually and in-person, if needed, w/ key stakeholders to develop the asset mapping survey categories and question types/questions.
- A local consultant is available to do the data analysis as soon as the data is available.
- Boulder County will invoice CDPHE by end of June for reimbursement for \$5K of the data analysis consultant

# What is & Who is the TAC?

- → Technical Advisory Committee Our Intended End Users!
- → TAC helped to create two tools: the survey and map both informed by them!
- → Created to help partners find each other to improve future collaborations
- → We needed our intended end users be seen in the process and in the final products
- → We presented our draft survey to get the conversation started, by the end of the TAC process the survey questions and answers were all created by them











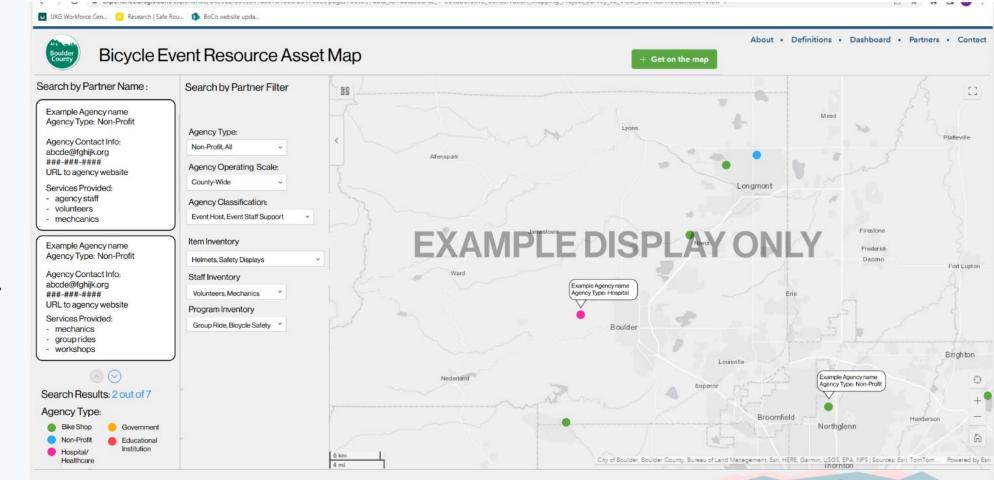
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# The Map



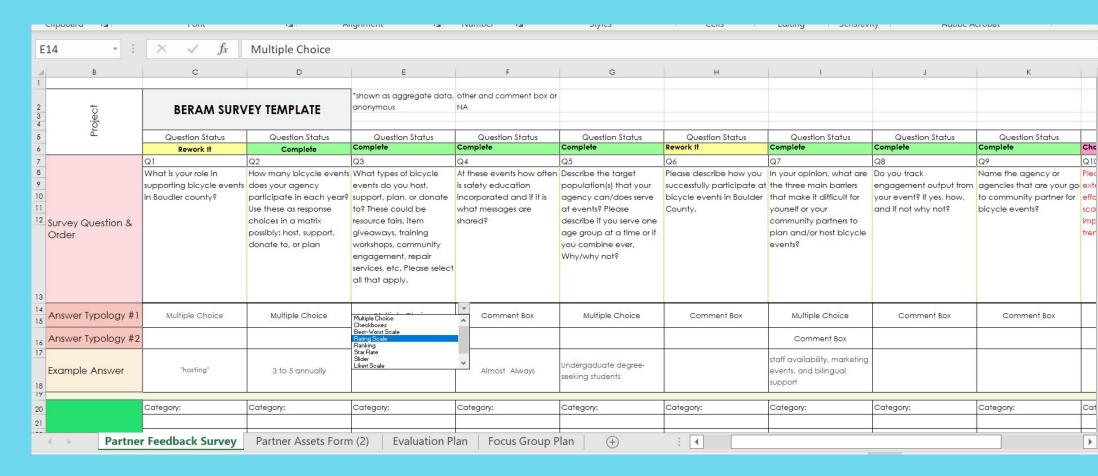
### Why a map?

- 1. More interactive and sustainable for future agencies to get on the map or for agencies to update their inventories.
- 2. Opportunity to explore a visual tool through ArcGIS
- 3. Preview map <u>here!</u>



# Reflect & Research

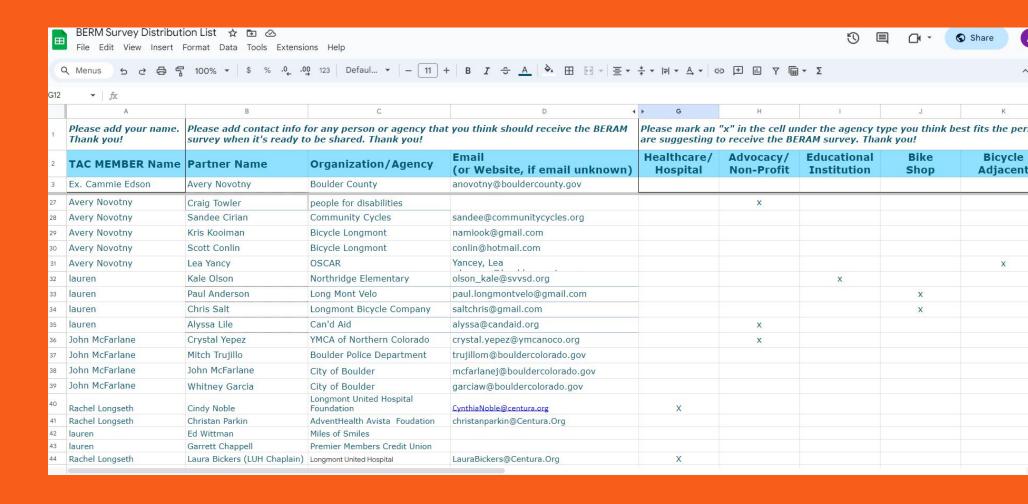
- on our role as community stewards and project leads as well as encouraging reflection for our partners in the engagement process. Do community engagement with our partners just as much as community!
- 1. Asset mapping best practices
- 2. Current local bicycle event and resource stakeholder landscape
- 3. Available project tools i.e Survey Monkey, GIS, Google workspace
- 4. Develop survey format and questions
- 5. Conceptualize distribution list
- 6. Prepared to host TAC meetings
- 7. Strategically invited bicycle champions working at different scales and agency types
- 8. We did not want to skew the conversations with our pre-work



### Lots of partner follow up!

# Partner & Plan

- Create stakeholder responsive outputs for thoughtful project outcomes and build buy in
- 1. Worked cross functionally to incorporate GIS Map tapped into our resources
- 2. Hosted TAC Meeting #1
- 3. Incorporated first round of edits into the survey got rid of ~6 questions
- 4. Host TAC Meeting #2
- 5. Finalized survey and distribution list
  - a. originally we had 20, they supplied 30 more contacts!
- 6. Hosted TAC Meeting #3, presented example built-out resource map
- 7. Solict for final survey edits
- 8. Restructured for a soft launch plan



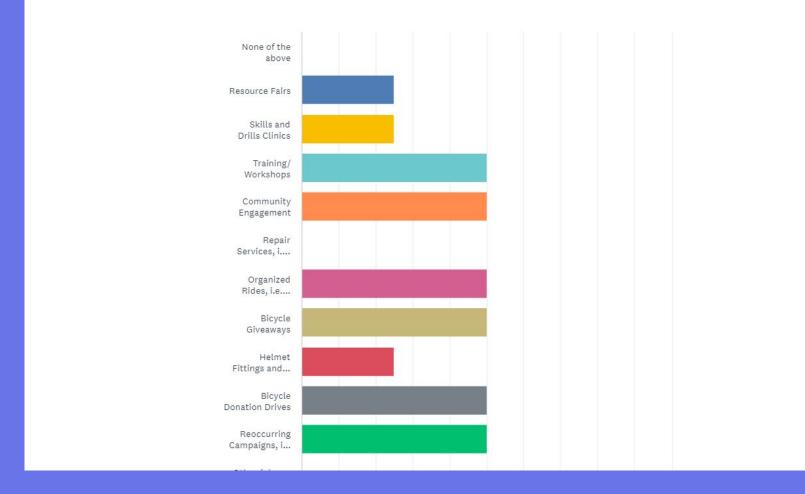
Where We Are Now!

# Implement & Sustain

Next Steps! - Launch the survey and utilize distribution list in phases to create data for partner map

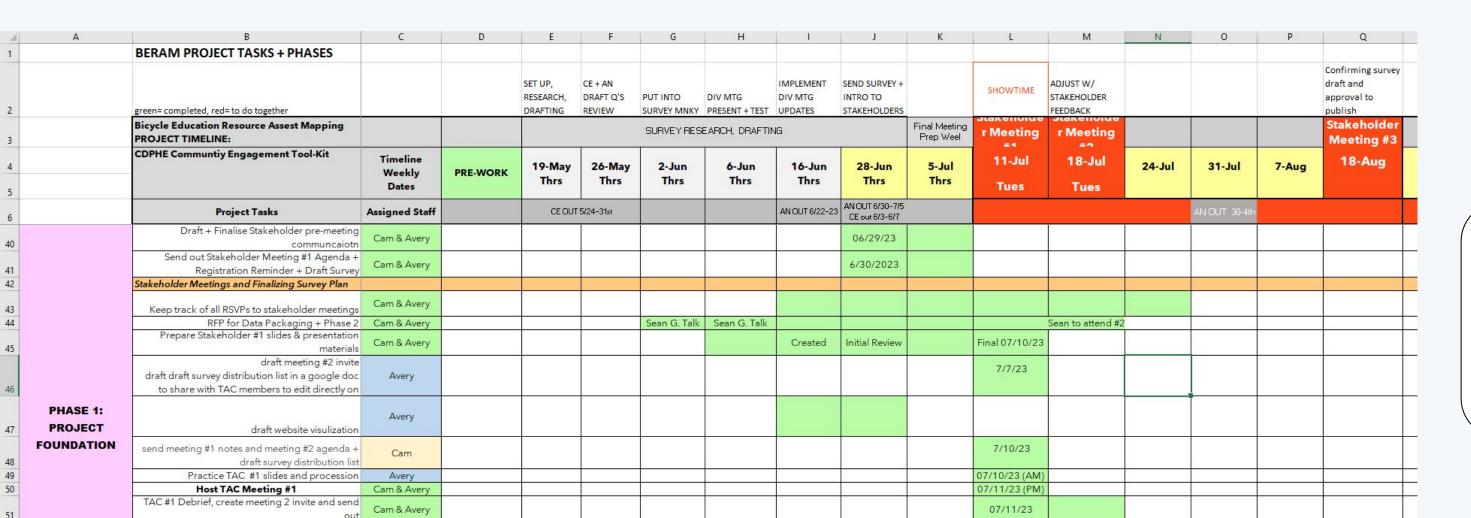
- 1. Build out survey profiles with handful of first responses
- 2. Create pathway for future additions to the site, integrate form with the website and have another phase of survey solicitation
- 3. Market website to community, routinely engage partners to use BERM!
- 4. Circle back to TAC group to host focus group session to fulfill second component of project; gaps analysis.
  - a. continuing to be intentional in our TAC invites

What types of bicycle events do you host, support, plan, or donate to? This information will be displayed on the Agency profile as event types.

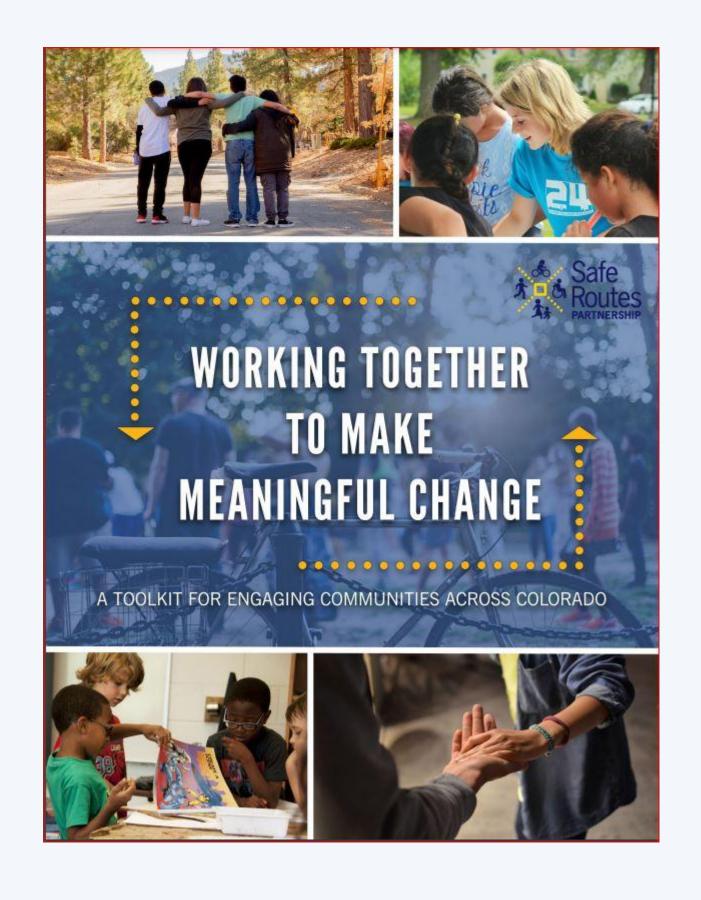




- 1. We were able to manage this project internally with the help of our in house GIS person
- 2. Through toolkit guidance we were able to be flexible with our time and capacity
- 3. Created a Gantt chart to track and plan out our necessary tasks
- 4. It takes longer to incorporate a TAC into a project, but that was the difference with quality engagement on this project



Project Duration:
May-Now (~5 months)
worked 5-10 hours
weekly with with 2-3
staff members.



# Toolkit Takeaways

- 1. A way to organized our agendas and project management
- 2. We were able to eliminate basis
- 3. Toolkit is logical to follow
- 4. Its Non-rigid/Non-linear to flow through the 6 steps as needed very user friendly!
- 5. Extra training TAC on toolkit wasn't necessary as it was intuitive to them
- 6. Able to meet our partners where they were at
- 7. Would work for non-SRTS projects
- Worked for engagement with partners vs community members

# thank you!

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