# **Takoma Junction Vision Study**

# Information Sheet



### **Study Purpose**

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) is conducting a vision study to collaboratively develop and document a range of potential future improvements to address pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular mobility at the Carroll Avenue and Ethan Allen Avenue intersections between Sycamore Avenue and Philadelphia Avenue, in Takoma Park. This study area is also known as Takoma Junction. The MDOT SHA announced the Takoma Junction Vision Study in March 2019 and it is anticipated to be complete in the fall of 2019.

# **Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG)**

The purpose of the Takoma Junction Vision Study Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG) is to advise MDOT SHA on outreach opportunities and transportation needs at Takoma Junction. Following a public call for applications, MDOT SHA invited 13 applicants to participate in a series of meetings throughout study development. The SAG offers a variety of transportation perspectives in the study area.

#### The SAG represents:

- · Diverse views on transportation planning; and
- A balanced distribution of individuals who bicycle, scoot, walk, drive, and/or use transit at Takoma Junction.

#### SAG members are expected to:

- Share information and resources with their neighbors, community groups, or employees;
- Share personal perspectives on mobility at Takoma Junction with the study team; and
- Advise MDOT SHA on outreach methods and opportunities.

# **Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) Survey**

A SWOT analysis is a planning tool used to understand a community's strengths and weaknesses. It also helps the study team to identify opportunities and threats from the community's perspective. The MDOT SHA will solicit SWOT feedback from the public by distributing a community-wide survey this spring.

# **Public Engagement Event**

This summer, the MDOT SHA will invite the community to participate in an interactive public event. The purpose of this event will be to engage citizens in collaborative, consensus-building planning activities that address mobility at Takoma Junction.

# **Other Targeted Outreach**

The MDOT SHA welcomes the opportunity to connect with individuals or groups who are interested in additional information or coordination beyond those offered at this time. Please contact the study manager, Kandese Holford, at 410-545-5678 or via email at kholford@mdot.state.md.us if you have any specific questions or concerns.

### **Study Outcomes**

The Takoma Junction Vision Study will result in a final vision study report in fall 2019. The vision described in this report will be used to evaluate potential future improvements to address transportation needs at Takoma Junction. In the final report, you can expect to see at a minimum:

- Updated existing traffic conditions at Takoma Junction;
- A vision for the future of transportation at Takoma Junction;
- Recommendations for conceptual elements that address mobility at Takoma Junction in the short-, mid-, and long-term; and
- Implementation strategies.

For more information on the study including study documents and updates on additional ways to participate, please visit https://www.roads.maryland.gov/Index.aspx?PageId=365 or use the QR code below.

