

# RANDLEMAN ROAD CORRIDOR PLAN PHASE 1

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this plan is to develop a shared vision for Randleman Road corridor that can be used by both public and private entities to guide future growth decisions. The policies, tools and strategies identified in the plan will be used by the City to guide implementation activities that support stability in the commercial corridor and the neighborhoods adjacent to Randleman Road.

The first phase focuses on the northern half of the corridor from Freeman Mill Road to the I-40 interchange. Stakeholders in the Phase I study area identified three primary policy areas and prioritized implementation tools and strategies within each of these area.



#### Reinvestment

- Collaborate with the Greensboro Community Development Fund as a resource for new business
- Target workforce development activities in Smith Homes in coordination with the Greensboro Housing Authority
- Extend boundaries of the existing reinvestment corridor and reinvestment area



# **Public Perception of the Corridor**

- Address crime through community outreach and enforcement
- Improve the appearance of the corridor
- Support long term success of business association and neighborhood groups
- Continue with focused zoning and code compliance education
- Seek opportunities for public art installations
- Consolidate city signage



## **Transportation**

- Improve key Intersections to reduce crashes and improve pedestrian crossing
- Install LED street lights north of the I-40 interchange
- Increase tree plantings along sidewalks
- Reassess and review bus shelter locations

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Recommendations within each policy area include individual action steps which are prioritized by time horizon:

- Immediate (1 to 3 years)
- Mid-Term (4 to 7 years)
- Long-Term (8 years or more)

Actions are suggested not just for the City, but for neighborhood organizations, property owners and future investors in the corridor. Some items will require City funding; securing funding is a separate process and each action step should be considered independently.

#### Reinvestment

IMMEDIATE TERM (1 TO 3 YEARS)

# Collaborate with the Greensboro Community Development Fund as a resource for new business

Partner with the Community Development Fund as a way to provide debt financing to minority- and female-owned businesses

- 1. Establish and strengthen ties between the Community Development Foundation and the Randleman Road Business Association (RRBA)
- 2. Educate business stakeholders
  - o Economic Development and Business Services (EDBS)

#### Extend boundaries of the existing reinvestment and reinvestment area

Reinvestment corridors and areas as defined in the Comprehensive Plan inform City policy on economic development investments.

#### **Action Steps and Responsible Parties:**

Revise Growth Strategy Map of Connections 2025 Comprehensive Plan to expand areas eligible for economic development funding.

Planning/EDBS

#### MID-TERM (4 TO 7 YEARS)

#### Target workforce development activities in Smith Homes in coordination with the Greensboro Housing Authority

While the Corridor provides opportunities for work, unemployment among residents is higher than the City average.

#### Action Steps and Responsible Parties:

Develop and implement targeted workforce development programs

o Greensboro Housing Authority/Workforce Development

## **Improving Public Perception**

#### IMMEDIATE (1 TO 3 YEARS)

## Address crime through community outreach and enforcement

Though crime is not particularly high in the corridor as a whole, it continues to be a concern for residents and businesses.

- 1. Targeted patrols and enforcement
- 2. Community outreach
- 3. Conduct and share crime trends and data analysis for the corridor
  - o Greensboro Police Department

Support the long-term success of the Randleman Road Business Association (RRBA) and neighborhood groups in the study area Community groups and business organizations will continue to play a critical role in moving the corridor forward and implementing elements of this plan.

## **Action Steps and Responsible Parties:**

- 1. Strengthen organizational capacity, taking steps such as strengthening ties to the Greensboro Neighborhood Congress
  - o Planning/Neighborhood Development/RRBA/Neighborhood Associations
- 2. Facilitate ongoing relationship building with businesses in the corridor
  - o EDBS/RRBA
- 3. Organize events with a "Buy Local" focus targeted toward businesses in the corridor
  - o EDBS/RRBA

#### **Consolidate City signage**

Redundant posts and signs may be contributing to visual clutter along the corridor.

#### Action Steps and Responsible Parties:

Survey and evaluate existing City of Greensboro signage within the corridor

o Greensboro Department of Transportation (GDOT)/Field Operations

## Improve the appearance of the corridor

The appearance of some of the public and private space in the corridor does not encourage shopping or investment.

- 1. Coordinate removal of utility lines that are not in use
  - Field Operations

#### Continue with focused zoning and code compliance education

Property owner education and code enforcement activities work together to improve the overall appearance of the corridor through better compliance with local codes and ordinances.

#### Action Steps and Responsible Parties:

- 1. Periodic sweeps to remove illegal sign from the Right-of-Way
- 2. Educate stakeholders about common violations and the compliance process
  - Neighborhood Development

LONG-TERM (8+ YEARS)

#### Look for opportunities for public art

Finding appropriate locations for public art, such as along greenways or in parks, will help create a unique sense of place for the corridor.

- 1. Consider locations for art in conjunction with other City investments
  - o Parks and Recreation
- 2. Establish partnerships with the arts community
  - Neighborhood/RRBA
     These steps may require significant City investments.

#### Improve the appearance of the corridor

These long-term action steps are in addition to the mid-term actions identified above.

#### Action Steps and Responsible Parties:

- 1. Request an enhanced plantings to the interchanges at I-40
  - o GDOT/NCDOT/RRBA
- 2. Complete sidewalk network on the corridor and improve pedestrian connectivity to surrounding neighborhoods
  - o GDOT

These steps may require significant City investments.

## **Transportation**

#### MID-TERM (4 TO 7 YEARS)

## Increase tree plantings along sidewalks

Adding trees along sidewalks creates a better environment for pedestrians and improves the appearance of the corridor.

## **Action Steps and Responsible Parties:**

- 1. Pursue a NeighborWoods project, with a focus on street trees in the corridor
  - Field Ops/RRBA/Neighborhood Planning

#### Reassess and review locations of bus stops and identify locations for additional bus shelters at high-volume stops

Some existing bus shelters may not be in the ideal location and others may be needed based on ridership levels in the area.

## **Action Steps and Responsible Parties:**

- 1. Identify locations for new shelters and establish a standard for improvements
- 2. Review existing bus shelter locations
  - o GDOT/GTA/Field Ops

These steps may require significant City investments.

## Install LED street lights north of the I-40 interchange

LED lights area being installed south of I-40, and deliver a safer, more efficient and better-quality of light.

## **Action Steps and Responsible Parties:**

Secure funding and install lighting

o GDOT

This step may require significant City investment.

## Improve key intersections to reduce crashes and improve pedestrian crossings

Certain intersections along the corridor have been identified as problems for pedestrians and motorists. Improvements have been made to improve acute safety problems, but longer-term solutions may be needed in some instances.

## **Action Steps and Responsible Parties:**

Prioritize and identify specific fixes

o GDOT

This step may require significant City investment.

# **BACKGROUND**

In April 2015 the Planning Department was directed to initiate a planning process for the Randleman Road Corridor. The Study Area stretches from the convergence with Freeman Mill Road to the north and I-840/I-85 to the south; Freeman Mill Road to the west and South Elm-Eugene Street to the east. The corridor is bisected by Interstate 40.

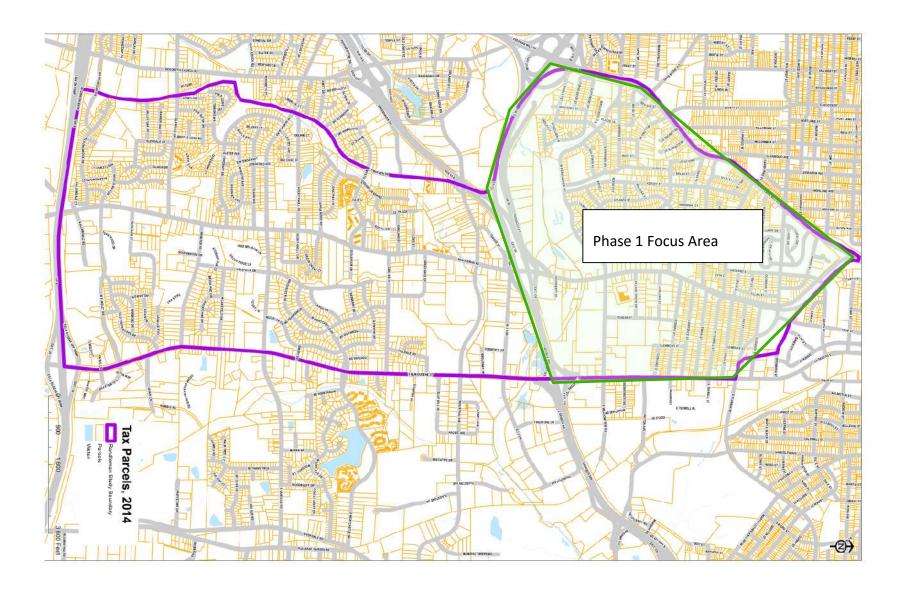
## **Fast Facts**

- The Study Area includes 4.36 square miles, or three percent of the City of Greensboro's land area.
- The 4,568 parcels within the study area are developed with a mixture of commercial, light industrial, residential and open space uses.
- The total tax value of the properties within the study area is \$ 577,641,100 (2014).





Figure 1. Study Area and Phase 1 Focus Area



## **KEY FINDINGS**

- Low Commercial Vacancy and High Commercial Sales. Despite the age of the commercial building stock, there are few vacancies and limited land available for redevelopment within the corridor.
- **High number of Renters**. The balance between home owners and renters is heavily weighted toward rental.
- **High Residential Vacancy Rate**. The housing vacancy rate for the study area is 3% higher than the City as a whole. This is due in part to the vacant units at the Heritage House Condominium complex.
- Shifting Demographics. The study area has a higher number of children 14 and under, a lower number of 15-24 year olds, and a lower number of adults over 65 than the City as a whole. These differences indicate the beginning of a demographic shift in the area that impacts property ownership trends.
- **Investments are Coming**. More than \$26 million dollars in capital projects are scheduled for completion within the study area. These include improvements to recreation facilities, roads, water, sewer and stormwater facilities.
- **Population Density is High:** Nearly 14,000 residents reside in the study area, representing five percent of the city's entire population. Residential density is higher in this area than the city as a whole.
- Median Home Value and Income are Lagging: The study area has lower household incomes and home values, ranging from 60 to 70 percent of the city's values.
- Education & Employment: The population 25 and older in the study area has a lower share of college degrees (24%) when compared to the citywide population (44%). There is also a higher unemployment rate of the population 16 and older (10.1% compared to 5.6%).
- **Business Mix.** Out of the 637 total businesses inside the corridor the largest single category is "Service" businesses which made up 38.3% of the total. This category includes hotels, automotive and other repair services, and health, legal and other personal services.

#### **PLANNING PROCESS**

After distribution of the existing conditions report in June of 2015, staff worked with residents, businesses and property owners to develop strategies for the corridor. This was done in two phases, the first to gather public thoughts and ideas for the corridor from which to develop strategies and policy and the second to refine and prioritize those strategies. Overall, the online survey received 46 responses, while approximately 30 individuals were reached through public meetings.

To gather initial ideas, in the fall of 2015 staff conducted a door to door survey of businesses supplemented with an on-line survey and held a public meeting asking participants to describe the assets, strengths and challenges of the corridor. Public responses centered on three basic themes, which informed the plan's strategies.

#### Reinvestment

- 60% of responses were related to new investment when asked, "What is the greatest opportunity in the Randleman Corridor that the community could potentially benefit from?"
- 50% of responses were related to property maintenance and lack of quality retail when asked "What is the greatest threat to the Corridor?"
- 30% of responses specified convenient shopping when asked "What is the Corridor's greatest asset?"

## **Public Perception**

• In response to "What is the greatest threat to the Corridor?" 46% of survey respondents identified the perception of crime as the greatest threat. No other "threat" received more survey responses.

## **Transportation**

- 22% of respondents answered "sidewalks" in response to the question "What is the Corridor's greatest asset?"
- When asked "What is the Corridor's greatest threat?" 17% of respondents had transportation related responses.
- When asked "What is the Corridor's greatest opportunity?" 25% had responses related to transportation with 10% claiming that interchange improvements are the greatest opportunity for the corridor.
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#### Reinvestment

- 50% of respondents ranked "Collaborate with the Greensboro Community Development Fund as a resource for new business" as the highest priority for encouraging reinvestment.
- The second highest ranked recommendation was "Extend the boundaries of the existing reinvestment corridor and reinvestment area" with 60% of respondents ranking it second.

## **Priotized Strategies for Reinvestment**

Collaborate with the Greensboro Community Development Fund as a resource for new business

Target workforce development activities and programming at Smith Homes with the cooperation of the GHA

Extend boundaries of the existing reinvestment corridor and reinvestment area

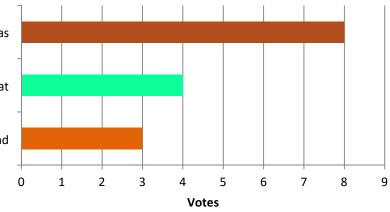


Figure 2. Prioritized Strategies for Reinvestment

# **Public Perception**

- The highest ranked recommendation was to "improve Randleman Rd. with more lighting, street trees, continuous sidewalks and planted medians where feasible" with 44% of respondents ranking it the highest.
- The second highest ranked recommendation was to "address crime issues with targeted patrols, community outreach and enforcement" with 36% of respondents ranking it the highest.

#### Prioritized Strategies for Improving the Public Perception of the Corridor



Figure 3. Prioritized Strategies to Improve the Public Perception of the Corridor

## **Transportation**

- The recommendation that ranked the highest was "intersection improvements" with 62% ranking it the highest priority.
- The closely ranked second for transportation improvements was to "switch to LED streetlights north of the I-40 interchange to match those south of the interchange".

# **Prioritized Strategies for Transportation**

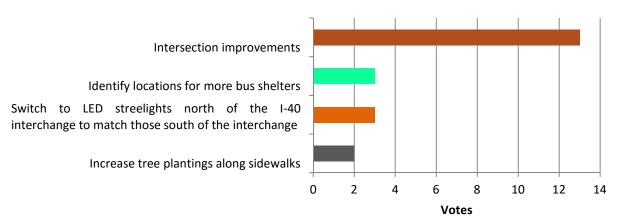


Figure 4. Prioritized Strategies for Transportation

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS: CRIME**

The Greensboro Police Department crime analysis section analyzed all reported offenses in the study area from June 2014 – June 2015. Within the study area 2,836 offenses were reported in this one year period.

When mapped, offenses are distributed throughout the study area, with clusters of activity in the northern section of the study area (Figure 3).

The majority of offenses in the study area are considered Part II non-violent crimes.

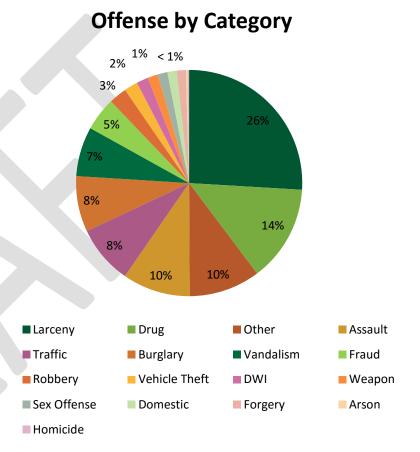
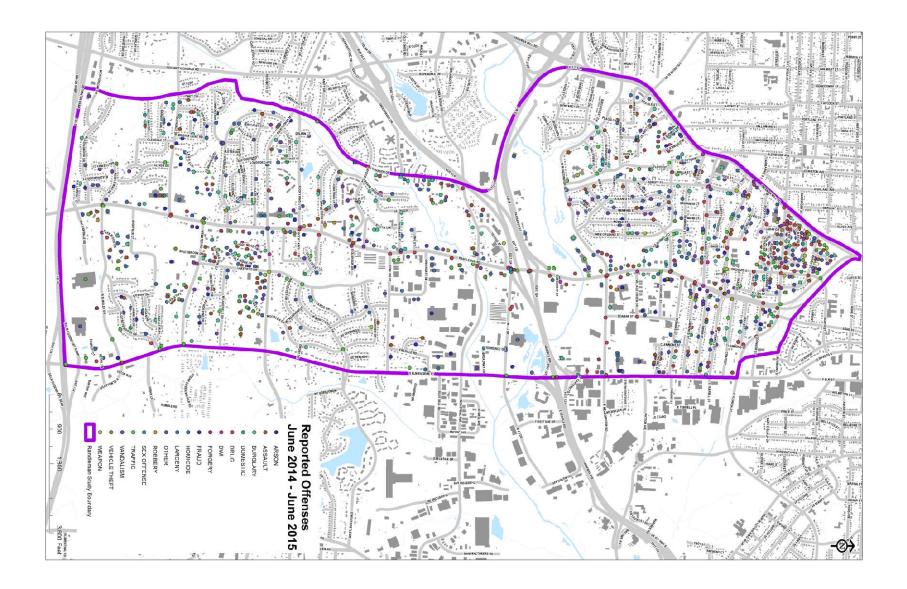


Figure 5. Criminal Offense by Category

Figure 6. Reported Offenses



#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS: DEMOGRAPHICS**

A detailed demographic profile of the study area was generated from data derived from the US Census Bureau and ESRI. Analyzing demographic characteristics provides insight into the issues and concerns of residents and business owners in the study area and provides context for current conditions and anticipated changes impacting the area.

## **Population**

There are nearly 14,000 residents reside in the study area, which represents five percent of the city's entire population.

# Housing

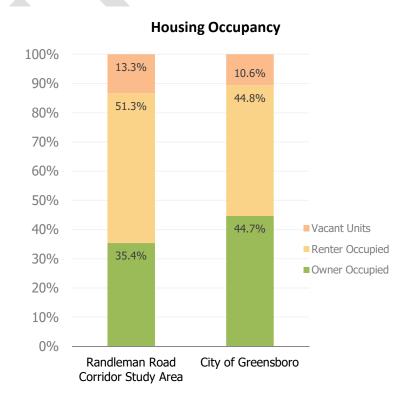
Residential density is higher in this area than the city as a whole. Household (2.36) and family (2.97) sizes are similar to the City of Greensboro averages (2.31 and 3.01). The study area has a higher percentage of renter occupied units (51.3% compared to 44.8%) and a higher rate of residential vacancy (13.3% compared to 10.6%).

## Income

The Randleman Road Corridor area has lower household incomes and home values, ranging from 60 to 70 percent of the city's values.

## Age

The population of the Randleman Road study area is slightly younger and more homogeneous than the citywide population. The Randleman Road area has a higher percentage of residents under 14, but a significantly lower representation of residents between the ages of 15 to 24.



# **Ethnicity**

The Randleman Road area is less diverse than the city as a whole. Nearly all racial and ethnic groups have lower percentages in the study area, while the percentage of Black residents is 36% higher.

#### **Education**

The population 25 and older in the Randleman Road area has a lower share of college degrees (24%) when compared to the citywide population (44%).

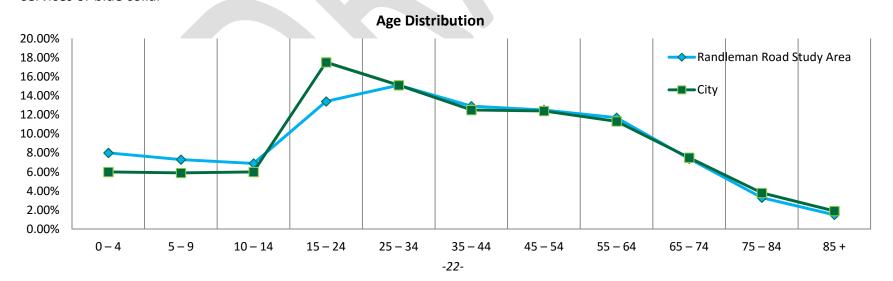
## **Employment**

There is a higher unemployment rate of the population 16 and older (10.1% compared to 5.6%). Many residents are employed in occupations that are considered administrative support, services or blue collar

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City of Greensboro

**Race and Ethnicity** 



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Randleman Road

Corridor Study Area

Population & Households	Randleman Road Corridor Study Area	City of Greensboro	Study Area Percentage of City	Difference
Area (in square miles)	4.36	133.40	3.3%	
Population	13,991	278,584	5.0%	
Households	5,678	115,734	4.9%	
Average Household Size	2.36	2.31		0.05
Families	3,515	64,817	5.4%	
Average Family Size	2.97	3.01		-0.04
Housing Units	6,552	129,427	5.1%	
Owner Occupied	35.4%	44.7%		-9.3%
Renter Occupied	51.3%	44.8%		6.5%
Vacant Units	13.3%	10.6%		2.7%

Income & Home Value	Randleman Road Corridor Study Area	City of Greensboro	Study Area Percentage of City	Difference
Median Household				
Income	\$28,965	\$41,414	69.9%	-\$12,449
Per Capita Income	\$15,934	\$26,515	60.1%	-\$10,581
Median Home Value	\$125,424	\$178,864	70.1%	-\$53,440

	Randleman		
Age & Ethnicity	Road	City of	Difference
7.80 6. 2	Corridor	Greensboro	
	Study Area		
Median Age	34.5	34.6	(0.1)
Population by Age			
0 – 4	8.0%	6.0%	2.0%
5 – 9	7.3%	5.9%	1.4%
10 – 14	6.9%	6.0%	0.9%
15 – 24	13.4%	17.5%	-4.1%
25 – 34	15.1%	15.1%	0.0%
35 – 44	12.9%	12.5%	0.4%
45 – 54	12.5%	12.4%	0.1%
55 – 64	11.7%	11.3%	0.4%
65 – 74	7.4%	7.5%	-0.1%
75 – 84	3.3%	3.8%	-0.5%
85 +	1.5%	1.9%	-0.4%
Population by Sex			
Males (percent)	46.3%	47.4%	-1.1%
Females (percent)	53.7%	52.6%	1.1%
Population by Race & Ethnicity			
White Alone	13.9%	47.3%	-33.4%
Black Alone	76.0%	40.4%	35.6%
American Indian Alone	0.6%	0.5%	0.1%
Asian Alone	2.6%	4.7%	-2.1%
Pacific Islander Alone	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1%
Some Other Race	4.1%	4.1%	0.0%
Two or More Races	2.7%	2.9%	-0.2%
Hispanic Origin	7.8%	8.2%	-0.4%

Education & Employment	Randleman Road Corridor Study Area	City of Greensboro	Difference
Population 25+ Educational Attainment			
Less than 9th Grade	6.0%	4.1%	1.9%
9th-12th Grade, No Diploma	13.4%	7.1%	6.3%
High School Graduate	26.9%	19.3%	7.6%
GED/Alternative Credential	4.7%	2.9%	1.8%
Some College, No Degree	25.0%	22.3%	2.7%
Associate Degree	4.9%	6.5%	-1.6%
Bachelor's Degree	13.2%	24.1%	-10.9%
Graduate/Professional Degree	5.9%	13.5%	-7.6%
Civilian Population 16+ in Labor Force			
Employed	89.9%	94.4%	-4.5%
Unemployed	10.1%	5.6%	4.5%
Population 16+ by Occupation			
White Collar	54.8%	62.5%	-7.7%
Management/Business/Financial	8.2%	14.3%	-6.1%
Professional	15.2%	21.2%	-6.0%
Sales	9.7%	12.4%	-2.7%
Administrative Support	21.8%	14.6%	7.2%
Services	20.1%	18.8%	1.3%
Blue Collar	25.1%	18.8%	6.3%
Farming/Forestry/Fishing	0.0%	0.2%	-0.2%
Construction/Extraction	5.3%	4.2%	1.1%
Installation/Maintenance/Repair	2.1%	2.7%	-0.6%
Production	8.9%	5.4%	3.5%
Transportation/Material Moving	8.8%	6.3%	2.5%

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS: ENVIRONMENT**

#### **Built Environment**

The Randleman Road Corridor is developed primarily with commercial uses fronting along the roadway, clusters of light industrial uses near Interstate 40, and a variety of residential uses including single-family and multifamily neighborhoods distributed throughout the study area.

Development within the study area began in the 1920s closest to downtown, reaching I-40 by the 1950s. Land south of I-40 was developed later, with the most recent development adjacent to I-840/I-85 occurring in the early 2000s.

There are few undevelopment parcels within the corridor.

## **Natural environment**

The study area contains numerous streams and minor waterways that feed into South Buffalo Creek which runs west to east through the center of the study area. These streams have identified floodways, and present a flooding risk to a limited number of existing structures.

The topography in the study area is gently rolling, from a high elevation of 880 feet above sea level to 718 feet in the floodway.





Figure 7. Aerial Photography, 2010

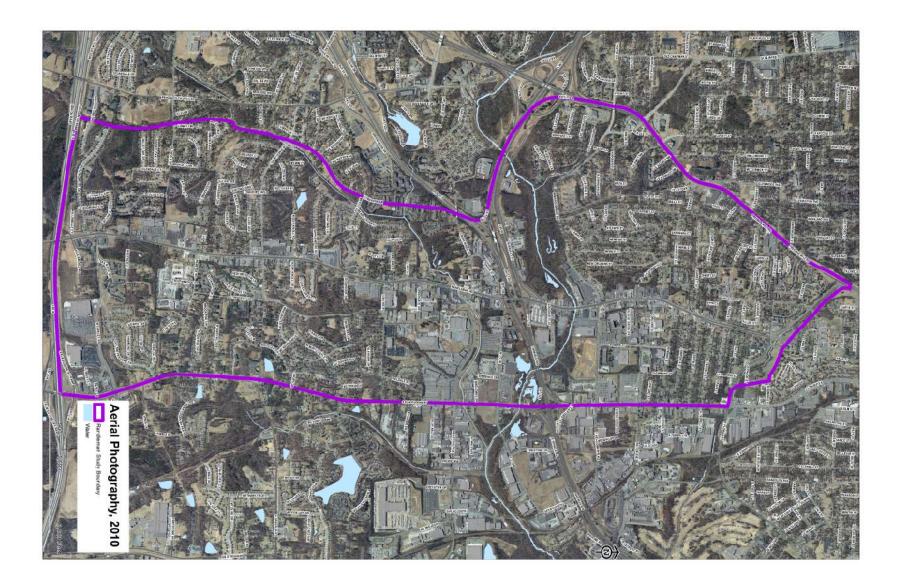
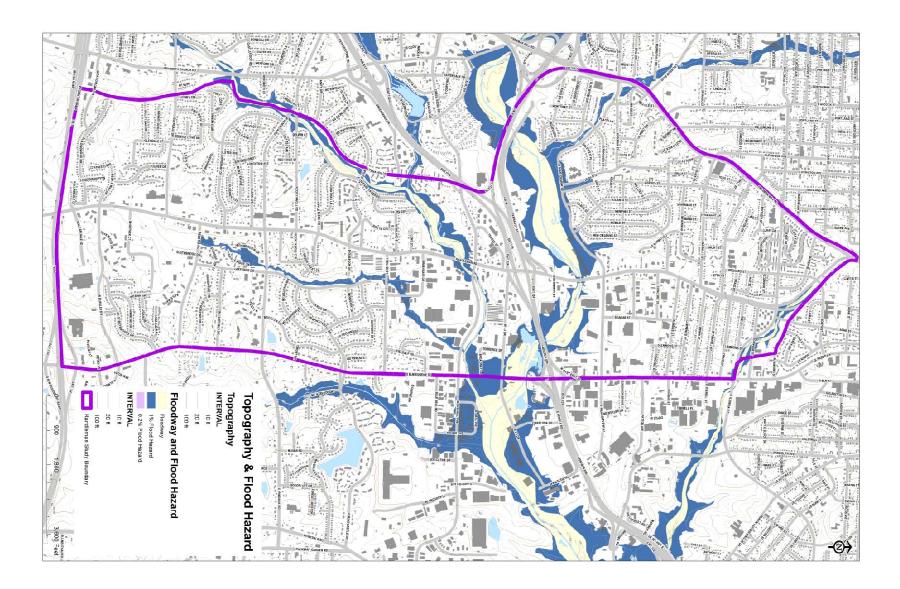


Figure 8. Topography and Flood Hazard



## **EXISTING CONDITIONS: LAND USE**

## **Existing Land Use**

Existing land uses were field verified in May 2015. There are 4,568 parcels in the study area which feature a wide range of existing land uses. Most of the study area is developed, with a limited number of locations available for redevelopment. While limited, much of the undeveloped areas within the study area are impacted by streams and topography that limit further development.

#### **Future Land Use**

The Connections 2025 Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2003 provides general guidance for changes in land use based on policy statements and the generalized future land use map (GFLUM). The future land uses identified within the study area reflect the predominant pattern of existing land uses along the corridor: a spectrum of residential uses from low-density at 3-5 dwelling units per acre to high-density at 12 or more dwelling units per acre; commercial and mixed use commercial uses along Randleman Road, and Industrial/Corporate Park uses to the north and south of the I-40 interchange.

# **Zoning**

Adopted in 2010, The Land Development Ordnance (LDO) encompasses the rules and regulations of the City Code related to subdivisions, building setbacks, permitted uses, parking, signage, landscaping, and environmental regulations. These provisions apply to properties throughout the City through the use of zoning districts and overlays. Current zoning in the study area closely mirrors existing land use patterns.

Figure 9. Existing Land Use

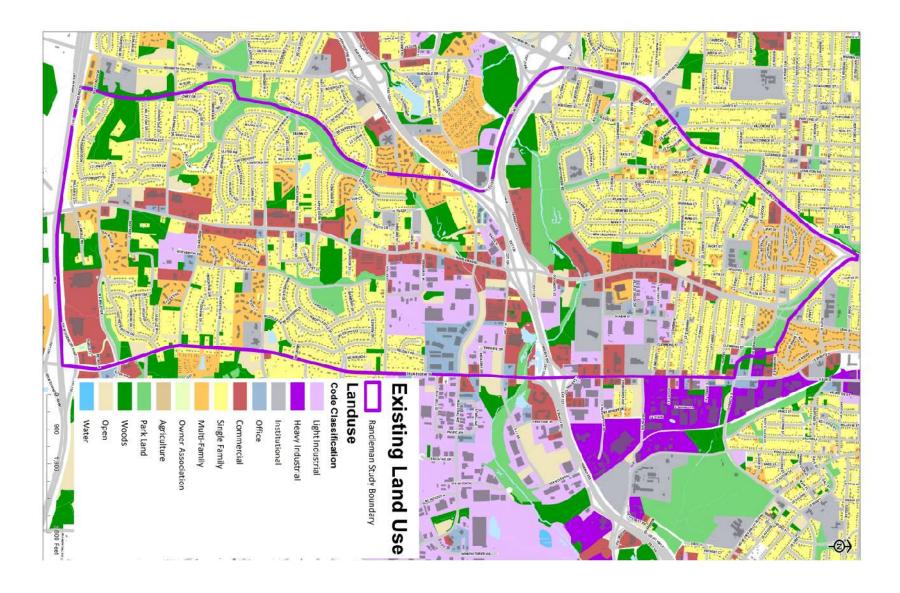


Figure 10. Generalized Future Land Use

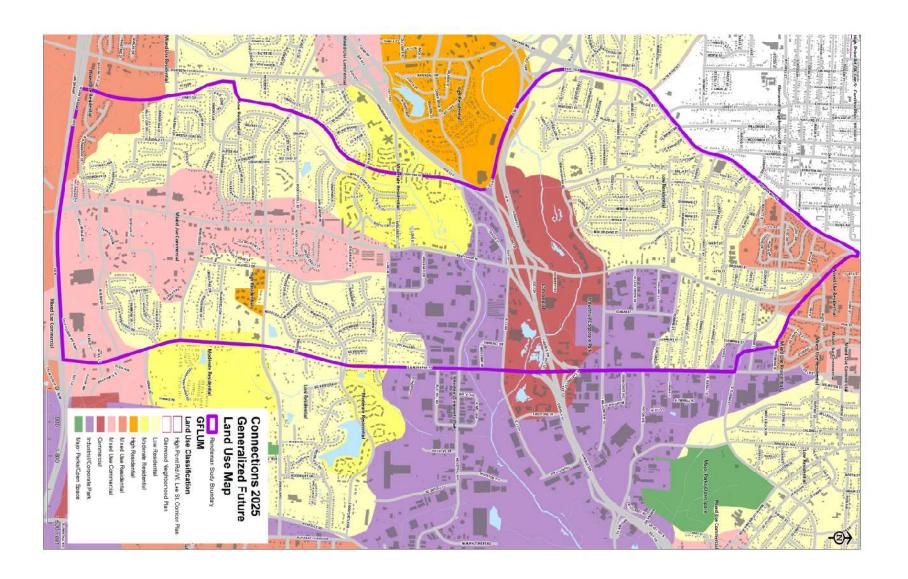
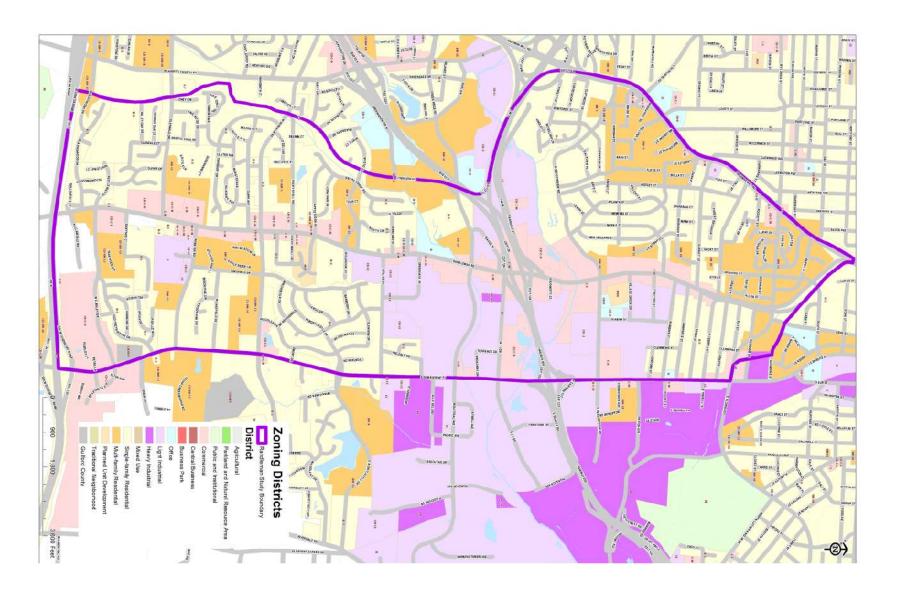


Figure 11. Zoning



#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS: PARKS & OPEN SPACE**

## **Existing Facilities**

Parks and open space sites are well distributed throughout the study area, with neighborhood serving playgrounds in seven locations. The Caldcleugh Multicultural Center lies near the north end of the study area. No major recreation facilities or regional parks lie within the study area.

Existing trail systems connect open space areas and playgrounds in Shannon Woods Park and Glenhaven Park.

## **Planned Facilities**

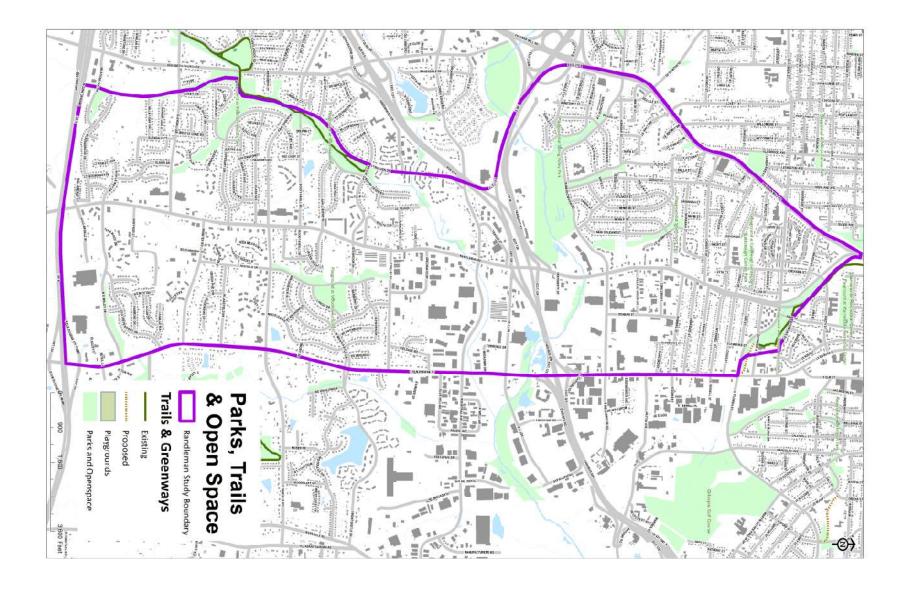
The Greensboro Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan was updated in 2005. At that time, additional opportunities for new parks and open space were identified as limited in the South Planning District, which includes the study area.

The BiPed Plan Update contains several greenway recommendations for the corridor:

- Better lighting for the Southeast Greenway which links the Downtown Greenway to Randleman Road;
- Extension of the Cotton, Greenhaven and Meadowview Greenways through the study area.



Figure 12. Parks, Trails & Open Space



## **EXISTING CONDITIONS: RETAIL & BUSINESS**

#### **Retail Profile**

The study area supports 637 businesses, with retail sales of \$298 million. An analysis of retail business patterns in the study area indicates customers from outside the study area come to the corridor to purchase building materials, for retail shopping and dining. Residents of the study area leave the corridor to purchase durable goods like furniture and electronics, specialty items, and clothing.

**Business Profile** 

Total employment in the study area is 6,771. Businesses in the study area fall primarily into six categories:

• Services: 244

Retail Trade: 166

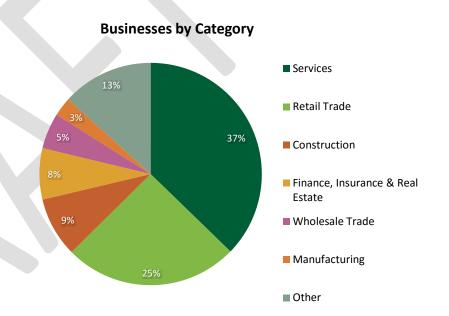
• Finance, Insurance & Real Estate: 57

Construction: 49

Wholesale Trade: 34

Manufacturing: 18

All Others: 69



#### **Reinvestment Areas and Corridors**

A portion of Randleman Road is identified as a reinvestment corridor in the Connections 2025 Comprehensive Plan, and a segment of the study area lies within a designated reinvestment area (Figure 10). These designations represent opportunities for public and private sector reinvestment. Properties in these corridors are eligible to request assistance from the City under the Urban Development Investment Guidelines established in 2012.





#### Leakage/Surplus Factor by Industry Subsector

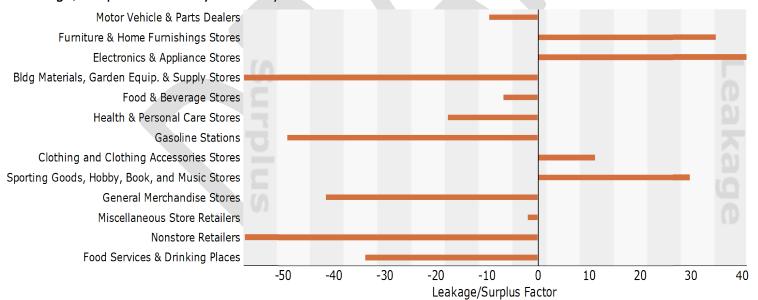
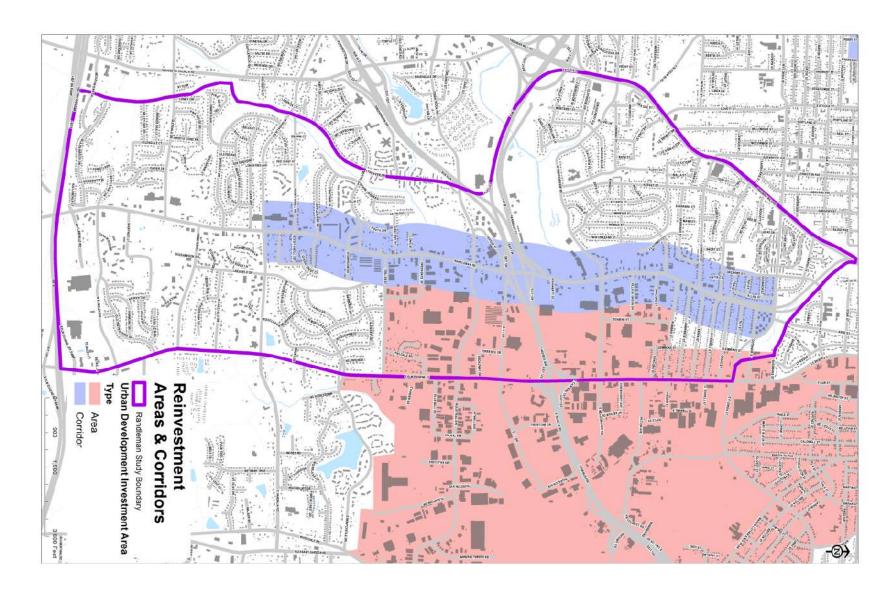


Figure 13. Reinvestment Corridor



#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS: TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Existing Facilities & Services**

The study area is well served with three interstate interchanges with I-40 and two interchanges with I-840/I-85/I-85 and a network of north-south and east-west major and minor throughfares.

Traffic counts in the study area peak in proximity to the interstate interchanges and become more modest along thoroughfares and neighborhood streets. Counts along Freeman Mill Road range from 28,701 to 20,166 and on South Elm-Eugene Street counts range from 32,121 to 5,478. Counts on Randleman Road are within a similar range from 20,228 to 9,928 (Figure 11, 12).

Randleman Road is a four and five-lane facility through most of the study area, reducing to a three-lane facility south of Glendale Drive. Sidewalks on Randleman Road are intermittently available, with sidewalk availability shifting from both sides to one side south of I-40, with gaps in the sidewalk network in the southern portion of the study area.

At the intersections of Meadowview Avenue/Randleman Road a bicycle lane loop detector has already been installed. Loop detectors achieve two main safety measures: Accurately detect bicyclists that are intersections; and providing clear guidance to bicyclists on how to activate detection

Rail service is not available within the study area. The study area is well served with regular transit services provided by the Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA) (Figure 13). Routes include:

- Route 12 Randleman Road/South Elm-Eugene Street
- Route 12A South Connector
- Route 13 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
- Sunday Route 24 Randleman Road/South Elm Eugene

The Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) provides regional connector services that serve the west side of the study area:

- Route 2 Greensboro Express
- Route 10 Randolph Express

Stops are accessible at the intersection of Freeman Mill Road with Florida Street and Coliseum Boulevard.

Figure 14. Average Daily Traffic Counts (North)

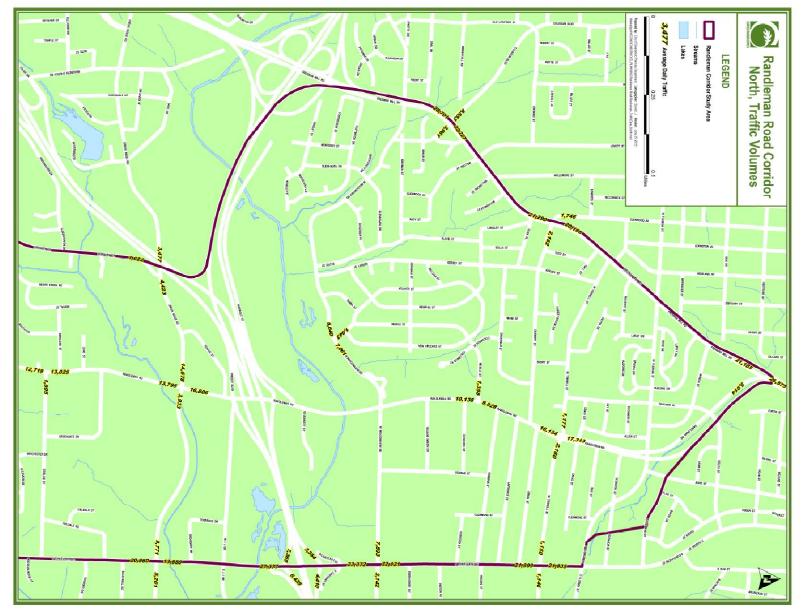


Figure 15. Average Daily Traffic Counts (South)

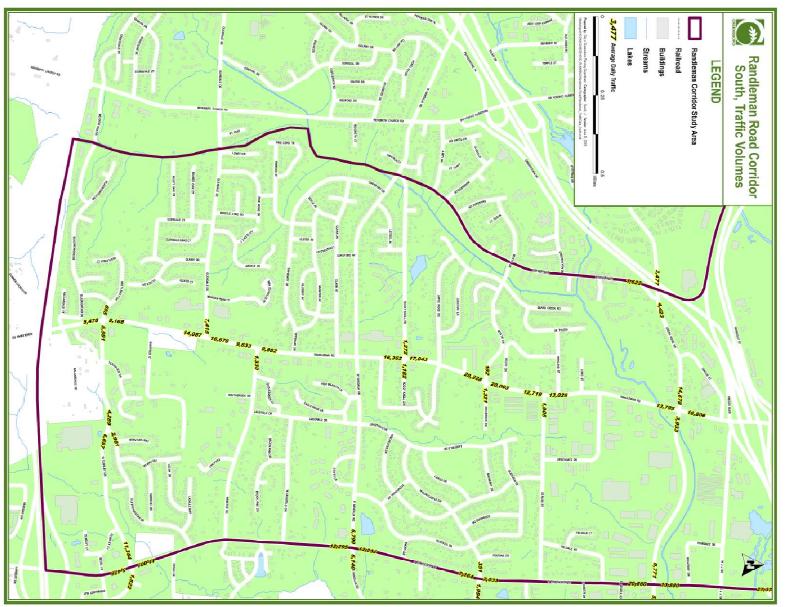
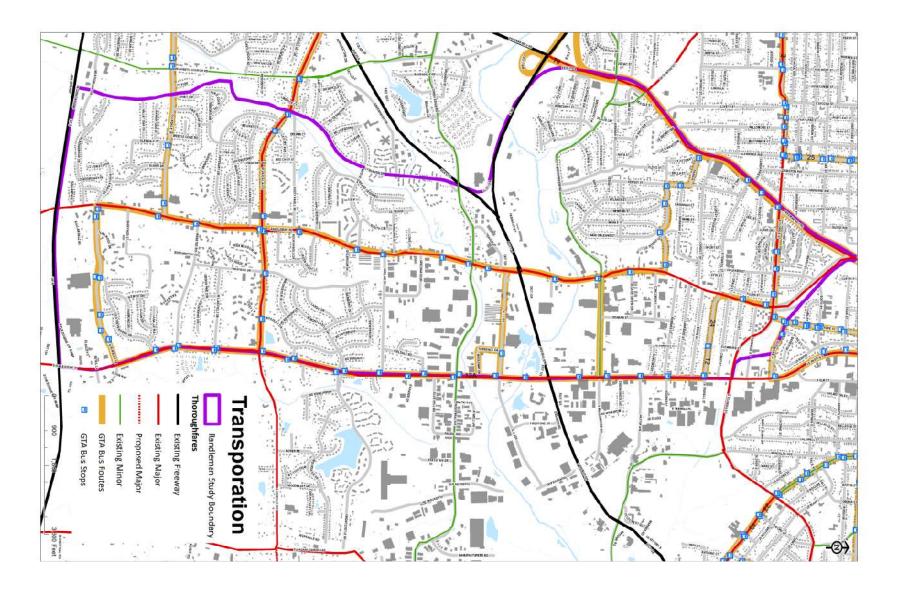


Figure 16. Transportation Facilities & Services



#### **Pedestrian Count Data**

Pedestrian movements at the intersection of Randleman Road and Meadowview Avenue were studied from September 17th, 2015 through December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 by the Greensboro Department of Transportation. This intersection was selected because of its proximity to high volume transit stops and its access to residential and retail uses.

- Total Traffic for the Period Analyzed: 8,424
- Daily Average: 108
- Monthly Average: 3,287
- Busiest Day of the Week: Thursday
- Busiest Days of the Period Analyzed:
  - 1. Thursday September 17, 2015 (249)
  - 2. Saturday October 24, 2015 (168)
  - 3. Friday October 30, 2015 (162)

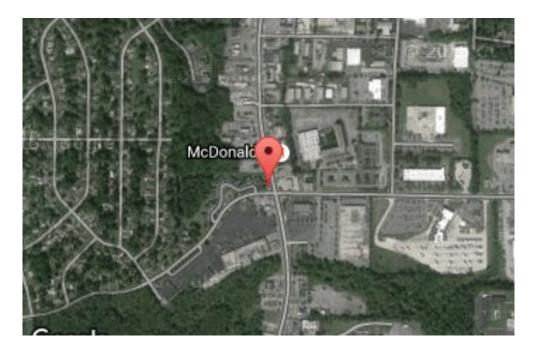


Figure 17. Analyzed intersection: Randleman Rd. and Meadowview Ave.

#### **Crash Data**

A crash analysis was conducted for the northern portion of the study area based on crash data from November 01, 2012 to October 31, 2015, the three most current years of available crash data at the time of the analysis. The analysis reviewed crashes along the Randleman Road between Freeman Mill Road and Farragut Street. Only crashes occurring on Randleman Road were considered with the analysis. Crashes located at the intersection with Freeman Mill Road were not considered.

Table 1 summarizes crash and volume data for this segment of the project corridor. Table 2 compares the crash data from this segment to statewide crash rates. "Critical Rate" compares similar road segments state-wide. A score below 100 indicates that the road is safer than others of the same size, design and traffic volume in the state. During the study period, there were 162 reported crashes along this portion of Randleman Road with 3 fatalities. Of the 162 reported crashes, 83 involved non-fatal injuries. Angle crashes accounted for 45% of all crashes along this segment and rear end crashes accounted for 14%. Crash rates for this segment of roadway exceeded both the statewide rates as well as the critical crash rates.

Table 1: Corridor Summary, 11/1/2012 through 10/31/2015

Description	Length	Annual ADT	3 year crash total	Severity index	Estimate property damage
Randleman Road from Freeman Mill to Farragut Street	1.7 miles	19,355	162	6.62	\$708,555

Table 2: Three Year Crash Rates - Randleman Road project corridor

Rate	Randleman Rd Corridor Crashes	Crashes per 100MVM	Statewide Rate	Critical Rate
Total	162	449.63	262.59	308.39
Fatal	3	8.33	0.99	5.10
Non-Fatal Injury	83	230.37	77.54	103.06
Night	39	108.25	52.56	73.82
Wet Conditions	25	69.39	41.3	60.30

Due to a high severity of crash injuries in this corridor, three Randleman Road intersections have been analyzed as part of the City of Greensboro's Annual Traffic Safety Program: Florida Street in 2012, and in 2015 the intersections with Meadowview Road and with South Street. These three intersections accounted for 60 of the 162 total crashes in this corridor, representing 37% of crashes.

Only the Randleman Road/South Street intersection showed consistent crash patterns, with 24 crashes during the three year study period. Intersection analysis shows a strong pattern of "angle crashes" involving northbound and eastbound vehicles. As a result, the City has applied multiple treatments to this location. In 2011, the eastbound STOP sign was double indicated and enlarged. In 2014, additional pedestrian warning signs and high visibility crosswalks were installed along with additional one-way signs better guide drivers crossing and turning onto Randleman from South Street.



#### **Planned Improvements**

The Greensboro Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (GUAMPO) completed an update to the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan in 2013. The plan identifies the location and timing of transportation improvements for all travel modes over the next 20 years. Several transportation improvements are anticipated within or in proximity to the study area:

	Transportation Improvement Program	
Project ID	Description	Status
U-5163	Elm-Eugene St, from JJ Dr to Vandalia Rd, Streetscape - Install sidewalks & median	Under Construction
I-5854	I-85, from 0.3 Mi North of Bus 85 to 0.2 Mi North (East) of SR 1115 (Rehobeth Church Rd) - Pavement Rehabilitation	2016
B-5356	Replace I-40 Bridge over South Buffalo Creek. 0.1 Mi West of Elm-Eugene St	2019
U-5850	Randleman Rd, from Elmsley Dr to Glendale Dr - Widen to Multi-Lanes	2021
	Greensboro Urban Area Long-Range Transportation Plan	
Project ID	Description	Status
21-36	Vandalia Rd, from Elm-Eugene St to Pleasant Garden Rd - Widen to Multi-Lanes	2021
21-10	Elm-Eugene St, from I-85 to Ritters Lake Rd - Widen to Multi-Lanes	2021

The recently updated BiPed Plan includes recommendations for improved bike and pedestrian access in the corridor.

- Pedestrian-activated traffic signals recommended for Randleman Road at Farragut Street.
- Randleman Road is recommended for protected bike lanes. Protected bike lanes are planned for existing roadways where there is excess capacity than required to support current traffic levels, particularly when a vehicular travel lane can be removed. Cross-section designs have not yet been developed for this site.
- From Creek Ridge Rd to Randleman Rd to S Elm-Eugene St, bike lanes have been proposed for a total of 0.58 center line miles.
- Edgelines, similar to bike lanes but allows for on-street parking, are recommended between Florida Street Randleman Road.



#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS: UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE**

For the purpose of this study, infrastructure refers to public water and waste water facilities, as well as private utilities.

#### **Public Utilities**

Water Resources records indicate the water, sewer and storm water lines in the study area are in good condition with adequate capacity to accommodate anticipated development in

the corridor.

The Stormwater Division of the Water Resources Department is conducting a four phase stream restoration project for South Buffalo Creek, funded in part by a \$1.4 million grant from the Clean Water Management Trust Fund. Stream design work was done in 2008, and construction began 2012.

The project will create better water quality for this stream listed as "impaired" by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources. The grant funding the project stipulates that construction will end no later than December of 2017. Improvements to the creek include:

- New stream contours to slow water velocity,
- Better rain-runoff discharge locations, and
- Better quality habitat in the surrounding wetlands.



Figure 18. Street Restoration Project Phasing

#### **Private Utilities**

Electric services provided by Duke Energy are available throughout the study area. Piedmont Natural Gas provides natural gas service throughout the study area. Utility boxes along the northwest portion of the road are being consolidated in spring 2016.

#### **Other Infrastructure**

Greensboro's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is a financing and construction plan that identifies major infrastructure and capital improvements that the City anticipates completing over the next decade. 16 projects totaling more than \$26 million dollars are planned within the study area.

Projects include recreation improvements, sidewalk installations, sewer improvements and the widening of Randleman Road between Glendale and Elmsley Drives in the southern portion of the study area.

Project #	Description	Cost
112	Southmont Park, Tennis Court Repairs	\$99,601
112	Woodlea Acres Park, Tennis Court Repairs	\$99,601
149	Randleman Rd Sidewalks, Farragut St to Shoffner Rd	\$755,649
149	S Elm-Eugene St Sidwalks, Vandalia Rd to Vivian Ln	\$211,043
149	W Vandalia Rd Sidewalks, Randleman Rd to Pinecroft Rd	\$750,148
172	Sussman Park, Facility Renovation	\$103,525
208	Concord St Sidewalks, Randleman Rd to Soabar St	\$80,094
210	E Florida St Sidewalk, Ashe St to Willow Rd	\$1,008,939
210	Randleman Rd Sidewalks, Creekridge Rd to Shoffner Rd	\$777,491
301	Sewer Line Improvements, Elm-Eugene St to Orchard St	\$967,000
304	Sewer Line Improvements, Hardie Street to W. Meadowview Rd	\$14,663,000
308	Sewer Line Improvements, Randleman Rd to Gregory St	\$763,000
353	S Elm-Eugene St Widening, I-85 to Ritters Lake Rd	\$3,374,300
361	Randleman Rd Widening, Glendale Dr to W Elmsley Dr	\$1,984,500
370	JJ Dr Sidewalks, Randleman Rd to Thurston Ave	\$299,466
379	W Meadowview Rd Sidewalks, Randleman Rd to S Elm-Eugene St	\$172,932
	Total	\$26,110,289

Figure 19. CIP Projects (North)

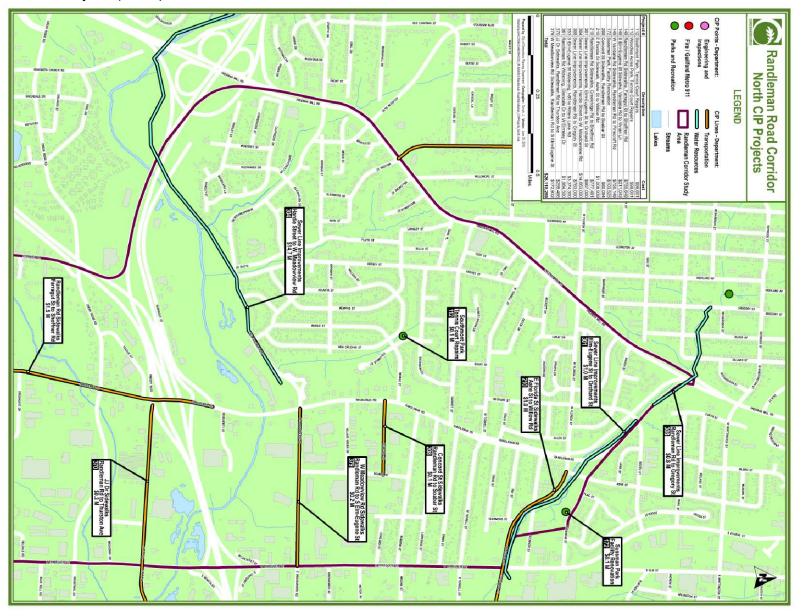
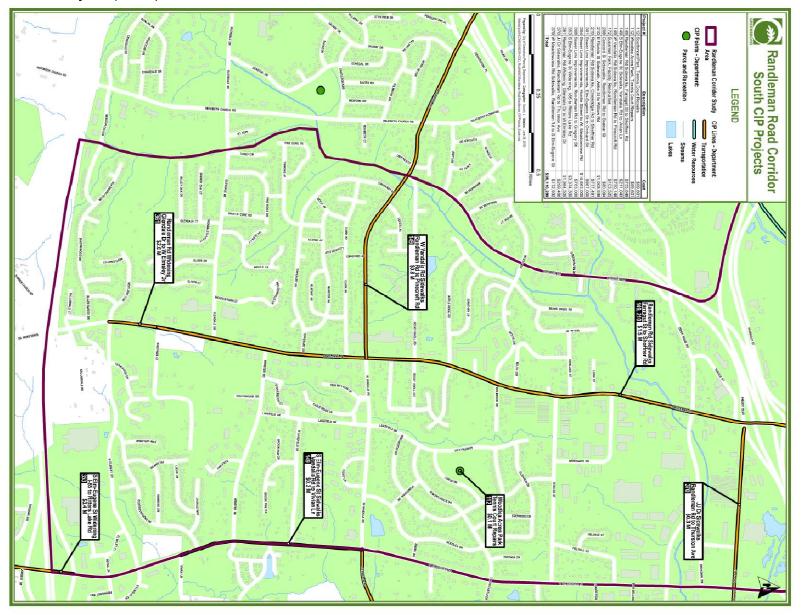


Figure 20. CIP Projects (South)



#### APPENDIX

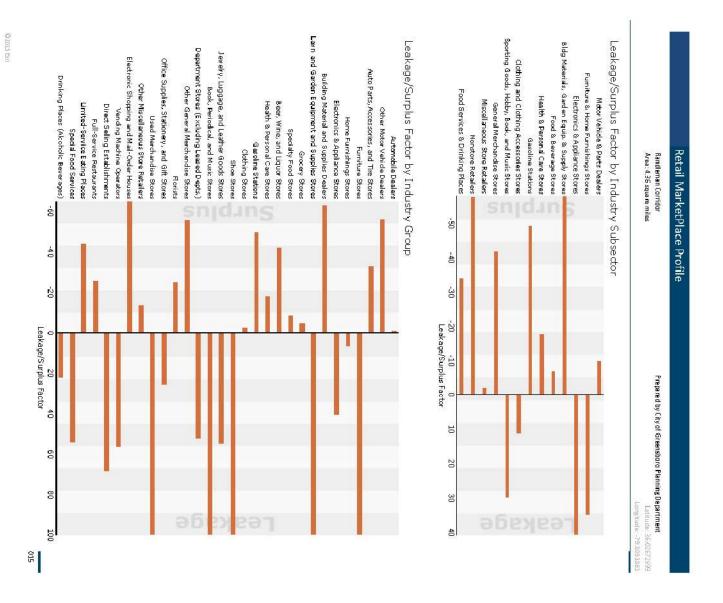
# Retail MarketPlace Profile

Randleman Corridor Area: 4.36 square miles

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Summary Demographics						
2015 Population						13,991
2015 Households						5,678
2015 Median Disposable Income						524,570
2015 Per Capita Income						\$15,984
Industry Summary	NAICS	Demand (Retail Potential)	Supply (Retail Sales)	Retail Gap	Leakage/Surplus Factor	Number of Businesses
Total Retail Trade and Food & Drink	44-45,722	\$93,235,481	\$168,215,047	\$74,979,566	-28.7	134
Total Retail Trade	44-45	\$83,098,415	\$147,618,774	-\$64,520,359	-280	104
Total Food & Drink	722	\$10,137,066	\$20,596,273	-\$10,456,207	-34,0	31
	NAICS	Demand	Supply	Retail Cap	Leakage/Surplus	
Industry Group		(Retail Potential)	(Retail Sales)		Factor	Businesses
Automobile Dealers	7411 1411	\$1,002,000	\$15,717,325	5197,649,26-	b 31/	
Other Motor Vehicle Dealers		CSC 0985	\$3,G4,811	-S2 175,822	-57.8	
Auto Parts, Accessories & Tire Stores	4413	\$1,351,899	\$2,656,401	-\$1,304,502	-32.5	
Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores	442	\$1,991,596	\$559,137	\$1,032,459	35.0	
Furniture Stores	4421	\$1,136,580	90	\$1,136,580	100.0	
Home Furnishings Stores	4422	\$855,015	\$746,397	\$108,619	6.8	
Electronics & Appliance Stores	43	\$2,336,742	\$579,070	\$1,357,672	40.9	
Biog materials barden Equip. & Supply Stores	: [	32,627,480	\$9,8 <b>6</b> €,145	-\$7,238,565	-57.9	
lawn & Garden Equip & Studens Stores	<u>‡</u>	\$370,754	08	\$370.254	100.0	
Food & Beverage Stores	445	\$13,151,463	\$15,065,060	-\$1, <b>91</b> 7,597	-6.8	16
Grocery Stores	4451	\$12,436,658	\$13,620,181	-\$1,183,523	45	
Specialty Food Stores	4452	S231,168	\$272,547	-\$41,379	-8.2	
Beer, Wire & Liquor Stores	4453	5483,635	\$1,176,332	.\$692,696	41.7	
Grading Strategy	4-15,12-15	\$6,701,011	53.607,755	52,906,742	30.3 -17.8	
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	448	55 535,296	\$4.414.888	\$1 120,408	E ¢	
Clothing Stores	4481	\$3,974,745	\$4.191,055	-\$2 <b>16</b> ,310	-2.6	
Shoe Stores	4482	5789,958	90	\$789,958	1000	
Jevvelry, Luggage & Leather Good's Stores	4483	S770, <b>59</b> 3	\$223,883	\$546,760	55.0	
Sporting Goods, Hooby, Book & Music Stores	<b>4</b> 51	\$1,861,167	\$1,004,637	\$856,530	29.9	
Sporting Goods/Hobby/Musical InstrStores	4511	\$1,348,047	\$1,004,637	\$343,410	14.6	
Book, Periodical & Music Stores	4512	\$513,120	50	\$513,120	1000	
Department Clara of Valuding Lagged Depte	452	SE 101 770 SE 101 770	539,262,572	\$25,109,291 112,801,236	S #	
Other General Merchandise Stores	4529	\$10,731,561	\$37,574,324	\$26,842,763	-55.6	
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	<b>4</b> 53	\$2,086,561	\$2,176,932	-\$90,271	-21	
Florists	4531	\$72,365	\$120,271	-\$47,905	-249	
Office Supplies, Stationery & Gift Stores	4532	\$593,517	\$350,176	\$243,341	25.8	
Used Merchandise Stores	4533	9275,869	\$0	\$275,669	1000	
Other Miscellaneous store Retailers	4539	\$1,145,110	\$1.492,687	S47,577	132	
Flactronic Shooning & Mail Order House	454 454	54,460,204 C3,402,763	\$15,393,764	\$12,135,360	57.6	
Vending Machine Operators	4542	5204,562	\$57,058	\$147,504	56.4	
Direct Selling Establishments	4543	5762,879	\$144,035	\$618,844	68.2	
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	\$10,137,066	\$20,596,273	\$10,459,207	-340	
Full-Service Restaurants	7221	\$3,742,856	\$6,280,446	-\$2,537,590	-253	
Special Food Samines	7727	50,404,/39 (219.187	315,7 <b>00,009</b>	780 PS15	5.0	
Drinking Places - Alcoholic Beverages	7224	5770,264	\$489,791	\$280,473	22.3	



# Business Summary

Randleman Corridor Area: 4.36 square miles

Latitude: 36,02672699 Longitude: -79.8031861

Total Businesses:		007		
Total Employees: Total Residential Population:		13,991		
Employee/Residential Population Ratio:		0.48:1		
hy SIC Codes	Number	Percent	Emplayees Number Pen	yees Percent
Agriculture & Mining	11	1.7%	43	0.6%
Construction	49	7.7%	338	5.0%
Manufacturing	18	2.8%	302	4.5%
Transportation	16	2.5%	175	2.6%
Communication	8	1.3%	30	0.4%
Utility		0.2%	45	0.7%
Wholesale Trade	34	5.3%	394	5.8%
Retail Trade Summary	166	26.1%	1,641	24.2%
Home Improvement	<b>c</b> 9	1.3%	121	1.8%
General Merchandise Stores	15	2.4%	297	4.4%
Food Stores	18	2.81%	173	2.6%
Auto Dealers, Gas Stations, Auto Aftermarket	34	5.3%	181	2.7%
Apparel & Accessory Stores	12	1.9%	57	0.8%
Furniture & Home Furnishings	7	1.1%	50	0.7%
Eating & Drinking Places	41	6.4%	622	9.2%
Miscellaneous Retail	31	4.9%	141	2.1%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate Summary	57	8.9%	400	5.9%
Banks, Savings & Lending Institutions	26	4.1%	131	1.9%
Securities Brokers	2	0.3%	17	0.3%
Insurance Carriers & Agents	<b>co</b>	1.3%	187	2.8%
Real Estate, Holding, Other Investment Offices	22	3.5%	66	1.0%
Services Summary	244	38.3%	2,765	40.8%
Hotels & Lodging	4	0.5%	27	0.4%
Automotive Services	27	4.2%	139	2.1%
Motion Pictures & Amusements	19	3.0%	96	1.4%
Health Services	19	3.0%	1,367	20.2%
Legal Services	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education Institutions & Libraries	7	1.1%	129	1.9%
Other Services	168	26.4%	1,007	14.9%
Government	10	1.5%	606	8.9%
Unclassified Establishments	23	3.5%	32	O.5%
Totals	637	100.3%	6.771	100.0%
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#### Comparative Community Profile

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	Ргера	area by City of Greensbol	о Ріаппіпу Берагітепі
	Randleman Corridor	North of I-40	South of I-40
Land Area in Square Miles	4.36	1.77	2.6
Population Summary			
2000 Total Population	12,862	6,273	6,588
2010 Total Population	14,039	6,248	7,791
2015 Total Population	13,991	6,168	7,824
Median Age			
2010	33.6	35.3	32.5
2015	34.5	36.6	33.3
2020	34.9	37.2	33.9
2010 Population by Age			
Total	14,035	6,249	7,794
0 - 4	8.5%	9.5%	7.7%
5 - 9	7.5%	7.2%	7.8%
10 - 14	6.9%	6.3%	7.4%
15 - 24	14.7%	13.7%	15.5%
25 - 34	14.4%	13.0%	15.6%
35 - 44	13.2%	11.8%	14.3%
45 - 54	13.4%	13.7%	13.1%
55 - 64	10.9%	11.7%	10.3%
65 - 74	5.8%	6.5%	5.2%
75 - 84	3.3%	4.5%	2.4%
85 +	1.4%	2.0%	0.8%
18 +	73.0%	73.4%	72.7%

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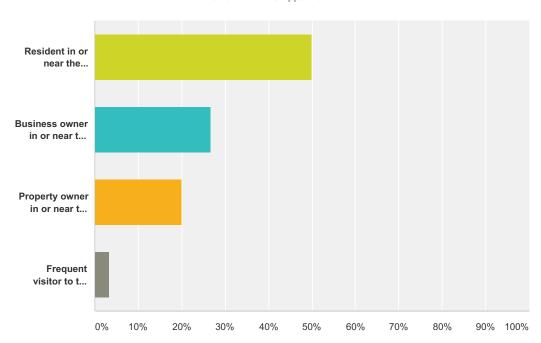
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	Randleman Corridor	North of I-40	South of I-40
2015 Population by Age			
Total	13,990	6,168	7,823
0 - 4	8.0%	8.9%	7.2%
5 - 9	7.3%	7.6%	7.0%
10 - 14	6.9%	6.4%	7.4%
15 - 24	13.4%	12.4%	14.1%
25 - 34	15.1%	12.7%	16.9%
35 - 44	12.9%	12.2%	13.5%
45 - 54	12.5%	12.6%	12.4%
55 - 64	11.7%	12.1%	11.4%
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75 - 84	3.3%	4.5%	2.4%
85 +	1.5%	2.4%	0.9%
18 +	74.0%	73.9%	74.0%
2020 Population by Age			
Total	14,241	6,203	8,037
0 - 4	7.9%	8.8%	7.3%
5 - 9	7.0%	7.2%	6.8%
10 - 14	7.0%	7.1%	6.9%
15 - 24	13.0%	11.8%	13.9%
25 - 34	15.2%	12.6%	17.2%
35 - 44	12.8%	12.2%	13.2%
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85 +	1.6%	2.4%	0.9%
18 +	74.3%	73.6%	74.8%

Source: ESRI Community Analyst

#### City of Greensboro Planning Department - Randleman Road Corridor Survey

#### Q1 I am a...

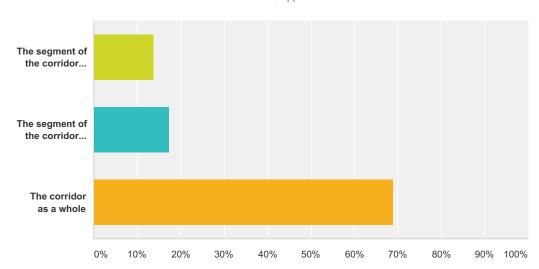
Answered: 30 Skipped: 3



nswer Choices	Responses	
Resident in or near the corridor	50.00%	15
Business owner in or near the corridor	26.67%	8
Property owner in or near the corridor	20.00%	6
Frequent visitor to the corridor	3.33%	1
otal		30

#### Q2 I am primarily interested in...

Answered: 29 Skipped: 4



Answer Choices	Responses	
The segment of the corridor North of I-40	13.79%	4
The segment of the corridor South of I-40	17.24%	5
The corridor as a whole	68.97%	20
Total		29

Q3 What is the Randleman corridor's greatest asset? An asset is anything that adds value to the community. For instance, parks, sidewalks or a prominent business.

Answered: 23 Skipped: 10

### Q4 What is the greatest threat to the Randleman corridor?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 9

Q5 What is the greatest opportunity in the Randleman corridor, a change that the community could potentially benefit from? Examples might be a vacant lot that could be developed or improvements to a particular intersection.

Answered: 20 Skipped: 13

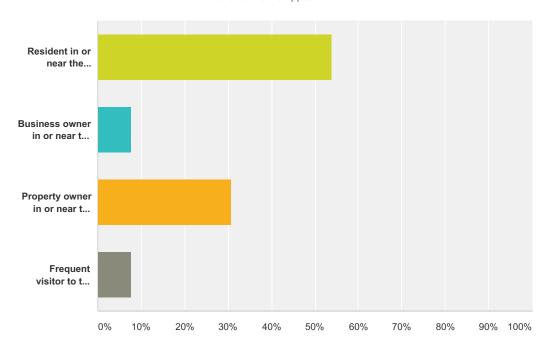
## Q6 If you would like to be placed on the contact list regarding the corridor planning process, please provide your information below:

Answered: 13 Skipped: 20

Answer Choices	Responses
Name:	<b>100.00%</b> 13
Company (if applicable):	<b>46.15%</b> 6
Address:	<b>76.92%</b> 10
Address 2:	0.00%
City/Town:	<b>76.92%</b> 10
State:	<b>76.92%</b> 10
Zipcode:	<b>76.92%</b> 10
Email Address:	84.62%

#### Q1 I am a...

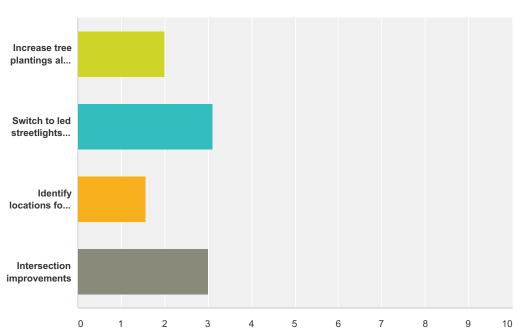
Answered: 13 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	
Resident in or near the corridor	53.85%	7
Business owner in or near the corridor	7.69%	1
Property owner in or near the corridor	30.77%	4
Frequent visitor to the corridor	7.69%	1
Total		13

### Q2 Please rank the follow recommendations for the transportation system.

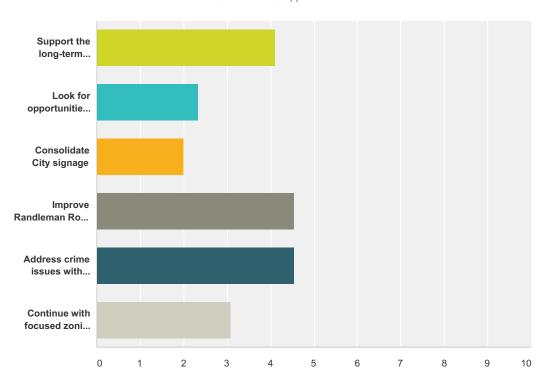




	1	2	3	4	Total	Score
Increase tree plantings along sidewalks	11.11%	22.22%	22.22%	44.44%		
	1	2	2	4	9	2.00
Switch to led streetlights north of the I-40 interchange to match those south of the interchange	33.33%	44.44%	22.22%	0.00%		
	3	4	2	0	9	3.11
Identify locations for more bus shelters	0.00%	11.11%	33.33%	55.56%		
	0	1	3	5	9	1.56
Intersection improvements	50.00%	16.67%	16.67%	16.67%		
	6	2	2	2	12	3.00

## Q3 Please rank the following recommendations to change the public perception of the corridor.

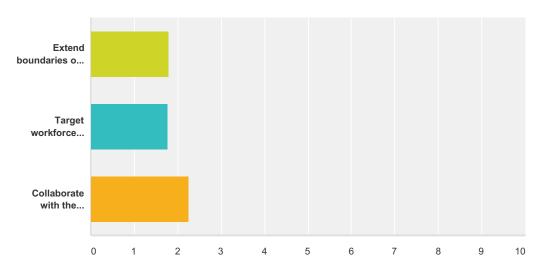
Answered: 12 Skipped: 1



	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Score
Support the long-term success of the business association and neighborhood groups	<b>11.11%</b>	<b>33.33%</b> 3	<b>22.22%</b> 2	<b>22.22%</b> 2	<b>11.11%</b>	<b>0.00%</b> 0	9	4.11
Look for opportunities for public art	0.00%	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>22.22%</b>	<b>33.33%</b>	0.00%	<b>44.44%</b>	9	2.33
Consolidate City signage	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>50.00%</b> 5	<b>30.00%</b>	10	2.00
Improve Randleman Road with more lighting, street trees, continuous sidewalks and planted medians where feasible	<b>44.44%</b> 4	<b>11.11%</b>	<b>22.22%</b> 2	<b>0.00%</b> 0	<b>22.22%</b> 2	<b>0.00%</b> 0	9	4.56
Address crime issues with targeted patrols, community outreach and enforcement	<b>36.36%</b> 4	<b>27.27%</b> 3	<b>9.09%</b>	<b>18.18%</b> 2	<b>0.00%</b> 0	<b>9.09%</b>	11	4.55
Continue with focused zoning and property code compliance sweeps	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>20.00%</b> 2	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>20.00%</b> 2	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>30.00%</b> 3	10	3.10

## Q4 Please rank the following recommendations for encouraging investment in the corridor

Answered: 12 Skipped: 1



	1	2	3	Total	Score
Extend boundaries of the existing reinvestment corridor and reinvestment area	10.00%	60.00%	30.00%		
	1	6	3	10	1.80
Target workforce development activities and programming at Smith Homes with the cooperation of the	33.33%	11.11%	55.56%		
Greensboro Housing Authority	3	1	5	9	1.78
Collaborate with the Greensboro Community Development Fund as a resource for new business	50.00%	25.00%	25.00%		
	6	3	3	12	2.25

## Q5 Please share any other recommendations you have for improving the Randleman Road Corridor.

Answered: 8 Skipped: 5

## Q6 If you would like to be placed on the contact list regarding the corridor planning process, please provide your information below:

Answered: 6 Skipped: 7

Answer Choices	Responses	
Name:	100.00%	6
Company (if applicable):	33.33%	2
Address:	100.00%	6
Address 2:	0.00%	0
City/Town:	100.00%	6
State:	100.00%	6
Zipcode:	100.00%	6
Email Address:	100.00%	6

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Question 4: What is the Randleman corridor's greatest asset? An asset is anything that adds value to the community. For instance, parks, sidewalks or a prominent business.

- sidewalks
- Established part of town that is close to down town. The newer construction (Lowes, Wal-mart, and other businesses near those stores) is nice.
- cheap affordable area to start or move a business
- Wal-mart home depot Lowes
- Wells Fargo bank
- Sidewalks
- Convenience to highways, downtown and nearby businesses.
- greatest asset is that it has an exit at the 40/85 split. Its greatest asset is not being utilized.
   Secondly if business could be developed at exit their are plenty of ready workers that live in the community surrounding Randleman exit that could fill the business needs.
- sidewalks, parks, banks, grocery stores, small businesses, clean residences, churches
- safety for all residents & businesses, we have one of the lowest crime rates in the city
- parks and sidewalks
- Rite-Aid, Destiny Christian Center.
- Homes, businesses owned by minorities, many with low income levels!
- prominent business
- The corridor contains key 'box stores' and a few restaurants and fast food favorites. The
  neighborhoods have a mixture of ages and cultures. Easy access to the highway is also a plus,
  also including the light industrial areas and strips malls.
- business
- nothing stands as being a prominent asset.
- parks , nice neighborhood
- There a significant amount of business that it is nice to have conveniently located there.
- So many businesses have come and gone over the years that there isnt much along the lines of an asset here.
- Variety of business, sidewalks, marked crosswalks.
- · prominent business
- roads

#### Question 5: What is the greatest threat to the Randleman corridor?

- At the intersection at Randleman and Meadowview, the north-bound bus stop is too close to the intersection.
- Curb areas around businesses that are not cleaned after mowing. The city locates retail stores and
  other businesses that create depressed areas. (Plasma center) Lots that are allowed by the city to
  be overgrown when the owners should be contacted.
- · Lost of the neighborhood
- It is still a very poor area and Randleman Road lacks many of the nicer, trendier businesses. I am pleased that the Heritage House is closed but there still seems to be a stereotype that this area has

lots of crime. Florida Street is known to be dangerous.

- the assumption that the area is not safe.
- need to clean up empty lots along Randleman, lighting, no big time food chains for folk to eat at, always have to go to other sides of town, walking prostitutes, empty business building
- Rundown businesses, street walkers
- Crime
- Non-occupied buildings.
- lack of development interest due to perception. Randleman no longer has a large crime problem, it has an eye sore problem. Police have and do a great job in this corridor, city has been slack it providing assets and enforcement of property standards as well as new standard creation to force property owners not to ignore their own investment by lack of upkeep and have created an eye sore at a entry to our city.
- sex businesses, dilapidated homes and businesses
- the old perception of the corridor for drugs and prostitution. it is almost impossible to get the concept changed to fit our present day good reputation.
- not enough sidewalks
- Side road Motels(JJ-Drive and Farragut St.
- Roads, highways expansions!
- Heritage House created a lot of crime issues in the surrounding area. Plus a lot of closed businesses along the corridor does not add to curb appeal.
- run own business
- drugs and prostitutes
- · crime increase in the area
- The sketchy appearance of the Northern side. The people that look homeless, the run down businesses, etc.
- CUPIDS CORNER, New Vision Video, the old strip club and the motel by Greensboro Harley Davidson
- heavy traffic, urban blight
- traffic
- people

Question 6: What is the greatest opportunity in the Randleman corridor, a change that the community could potentially benefit from? Examples might be a vacant lot that could be developed or improvements to a particular intersection.

- There are many middle class working and retired homeowners in this area. Perhaps moderate dept. stores not just Family Dollar and Roses.
- Vacant lots and empty houses improvement. Stop 18 wheelers on Lawrence St. Add speed bumpers for passenger car and truck which use as cut through
- I hope that police department continues to do a good job to clean up the area. I would like to see additional businesses on Randleman road aside from tire shops, pawn shops and dollar stores.
- unique street-scape that give the main road character. today it looks like a 1970's forgotten area.
- like to see a Sheetz added, speed up demolishing those condo on Meadowview, give some incentive for major restaurant chains to locate on our side,
- Spruce up most stores, get rid of vacant buildings and clean up all trash.
- Higher standards are needed for existing businesses. There are many eye sores. For example, the used appliance store at Randleman Road and Clark Ave. Too often, the appliances can be seen sitting around outside the building. Another example would be the ACE Hardware parking lot at Randleman Road and Vandalia Road. The lot itself badly needs to be re-paved; the "ACE" sign has been in need of repair for a very long time; and now the lot is a rental site for moving vehicles. Yet another example, is all of the used car lots in the area. There are too many!
- the exit may be the first place a visitor experiences our city. You never get a second chance to make a first impression. Every exit of 40/85 should be welcoming and not foster an impression that the exit choice was a bad decision. should be a representation of our city.
- promotion & incentives for new small businesses to locate to the area
- · more local business, more sidewalks
- The Old Heritage House.
- closed businesses (closed for years) to be torn down if no takers (old KFC restaurant, old Taco Bell restaurant, both on Randleman Road)
- Besides the Wal-Mart, there is no major 'drawing factor' to the Randleman corridor keeping the
  area vital. There are several vacant lots and closed businesses that could be turned into a
  wellness center, major restaurant chain, or library/education facility.
- heritage house
- More restaurants. Several nice restaurants have either closed or moved and the vacant lots where they were need to be utilized.
- I'm not sure. The area could be as important as Wendover or Gateway Blvd, but it is so rundown that I avoid it even though it is closer.
- The vacant lot beside I-40 west needs to be cleaned up and possibly developed
- Empty buildings that need upkeep, or businesses to occupy them, general updating of buildings.
- offer businesses in the area
- better park or community watch organization

Question 6: Please share any other recommendations you have for improving the Randleman Road Corridor.

- Targeted tax credit or grants for a business (es) to locate to area corridor with jobs guarantee for a certain number of years.
- Keep streets and area clean.
   Make sure striping on streets is maintained
- All the recommendations stated were excellent. I've lived in this area for over 20 years and glad
  to see Randleman Rd being looked at as some wonderful improvement have been made in
  other areas of the city. Better lighting, curb landscaping and funds to paint old restaurants on
  the strip may attract new businesses. Randleman Rd use to be what's happening. It would be
  great to see it looking good and vibrant again. Thank you for your consideration!
- I would like to see an effort to bring better quality businesses & restaurants to the Randleman Road area.
- Between Meadowview and Vandalia has horrible visual appeal. The businesses are vacant or run down.
- On the corner of Randleman Rd. and Meadoview, many people who are using public transportation walk across at various points without using proper crosswalks. I feel this is often dangerous for pedestrians and traffic.
- More plants and more involvement with the community!
- Keep it clean. Trash picked up, keep grass areas mowed and sidewalks edged. Its the little
  things that will make an immediate impact and does cost that much. Once the neighborhoods
  see it and get used to it, it will spread to other surrounding communities. But needs to be setup
  as a long term ongoing project/maintenance job.