

Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Award Update

Milwaukee County Department of Transportation

**Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Transportation & Transit Committee – September 12, 2023**





AAoP Grant Award

- **\$440,000 Total**
- **\$400,000 from Federal Transit Administration**
- **\$40,000 from 2024 MCDOT Requested Budget**

Purpose

- **Feasibility Study of a shared Bus-Bike Only Lane on 35th Street between Vliet Street and National Avenue**
- **Prioritize Transit (MCTS Routes 30 & 35)**
- **Traffic Calming and Multimodal Safety Improvements**



Concerns on 35th Street

- **No Bus Only Lanes or protected Bike Lanes**
- **Pedestrians and bicyclists use sidewalk directly next to speeding traffic**
- **High density residential & low-income/historically disadvantaged populations**
- **From 2018-2022, six fatalities, 20 serious injuries and 114 minor injuries on this segment of 35th Street**
- **MCTS Route 35 experiences congestion at Wisconsin Avenue and National Avenue, especially during peak hours**
- **Bublr Bike Stations are isolated and no safe bicycle infrastructure exists on this corridor**

Public Engagement

- Two different month-long temporary scenarios using one of two lanes for buses and bikes only
- Temporary equipment like cones, barricades, platforms, signage, lighting
- Feedback opportunities in English, Spanish and Hmong

Key Stakeholders

- City of Milwaukee DPW
- MCTS
- BublR Bikes and Wisconsin Bike Fed
- 11 official Letters of Support

