

Undercrossing Improvements



EXISTING clockwise from top left Broadway/I-880, MLK Jr Way/I-880, 7th St/I-980, Washington St/I-880

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Project Introduction

Streets that pass under freeways are called "undercrossings."

In many places in Oakland, undercrossings are dark, loud, and feel unsafe.

The goal of this project is to improve undercrossings for people walking, biking, and rolling.

These four locations were chosen because there will be new improvements along the same streets.



Previous Work

Undercrossing Improvements build on the **“Walk this Way”** design toolkit.

This tool kit provides design strategies to make Oakland’s undercrossings safer and more inviting to travel through.

Feedback has been collected about Oakland undercrossings for many years.

www.oaklandca.gov/projects/walk-this-way

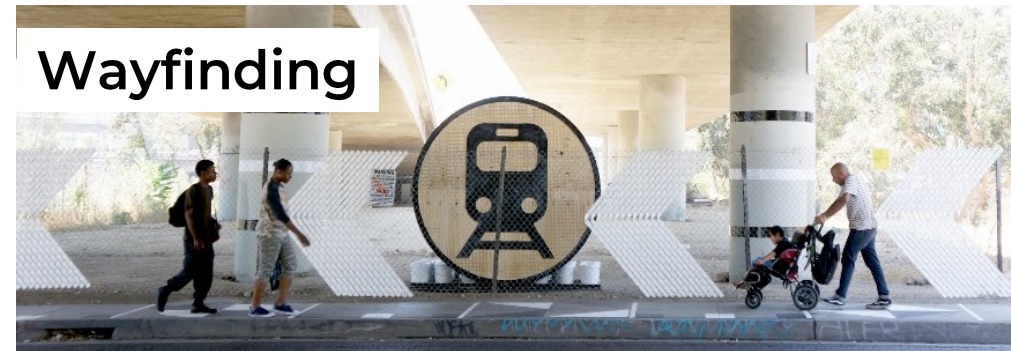


Walk This Way Concept rendering at Jackson St and I-880

Project Scope

Undercrossing Improvements will include lighting, wayfinding, and placemaking.

- **Lighting** will help make people feel safer and could be colorful or fun to look at.
- **Wayfinding** will help people know where they are and see where they want to go.
- **Placemaking** makes the space feel safe, welcoming, and reflective of the surrounding community. Placemaking could include colors, patterns, and design elements.



Community Engagement

Engagement activities include prompts on lighting, wayfinding, and placemaking design

Engagement Pop-Ups

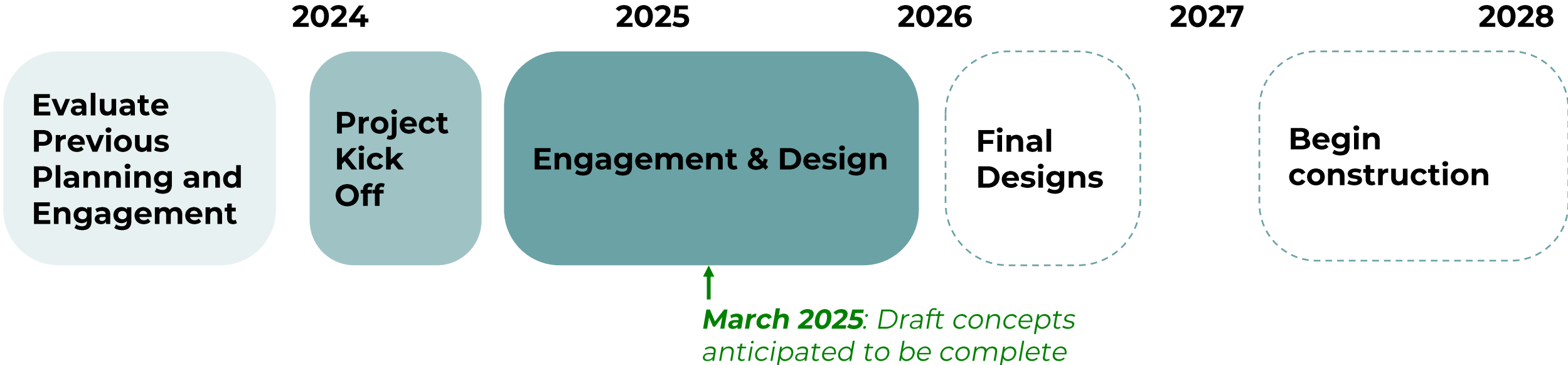
- WOCAP End of Year Celebration
- Old Oakland Farmers Market
- West Oakland Farmers Market

Briefings/meetings

- Neighborhood councils
- Business improvement districts
- Commissions



Estimated Timeline



We want to hear from you!

Visit our webpage to learn more about the project, sign-up for email updates, and find ways to get involved.

Questions?

Email us at mpd@oaklandca.gov

Call or text us at 510-365-4952



Discussion Questions

- What are considerations related to people experiencing homelessness that we should incorporate into the design or in the project's outreach strategy?
- Do you have existing resources (such as fact sheets on shelters) that could be distributed to people experiencing homelessness?

Engagement Activity

What is your preference for lighting?

IMMERSIVE

Playful light you can interact with.



DISPLAY

Light displaying still images or graphics.



OR



Engagement Activity

What is your preference for lighting?

WHITE

White light, no color used.



COLORFUL

Lights with single or multiple colors.



OR



Engagement Activity

What is your preference for navigation?

DIRECTIONAL

Guides you to destinations.



OR

INFORMATIONAL

Provides additional details and context.



Engagement Activity

What is your preference for visual style?

SUBTLE COLORS

Soft, muted colors.



OR

BOLD COLORS

Vibrant, bright, and striking colors.



Engagement Activity

What would make these locations nicer to walk, bike, or roll through?



7th Street under I-980



MLK Jr. Way under I-980

Engagement Activity

What would make these locations nicer to walk, bike, or roll through?

Washington St under I-880



Broadway under I-880

