

## San Diego Association of Governments – Land Use and Transportation Planning Inaugural National Health Impact Assessment Meeting

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- Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
- Governed by a Board of Directors
- Consolidated Agency
- Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)
- Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP)



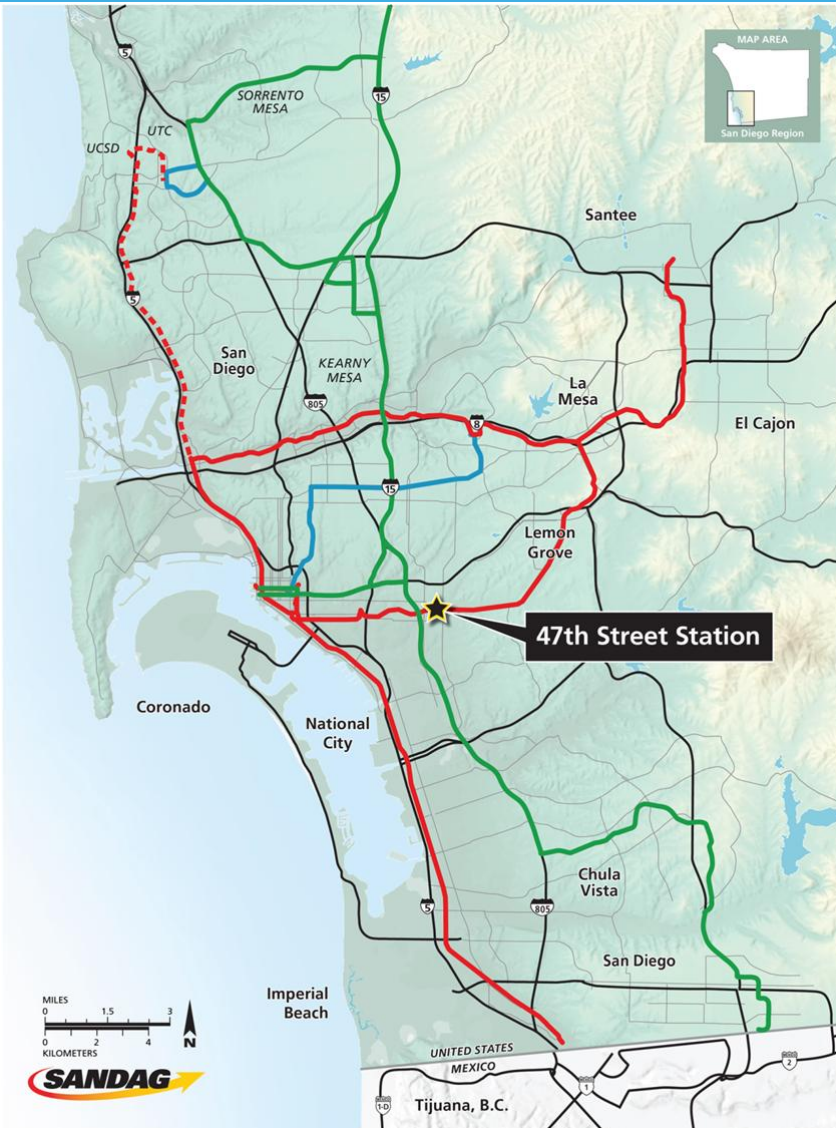
- San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA)
  - \$16.1 million CDC grant through the Communities Putting Prevention to Work Program (CPPW)
- Partnered with SANDAG to complete 6 project initiatives related to health and the built environment
- CPPW → Healthy Works

For additional information [www.sandag.org/healthyworks](http://www.sandag.org/healthyworks)

# Pilot HIA on SANDAG Transit Project

- Healthy Communities Campaign
- 47<sup>th</sup> Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Station Project
- Human Impact Partners and Safe and Healthy Communities Consulting
- Factors for Choosing the 47<sup>th</sup> Street Station Project
  - Small scale
  - Internal direction to complete an HIA early in the planning process
  - SANDAG Community of Concern
  - Connectivity of the station to regional transit networks and destinations
  - Health not already being considered

# Bus Rapid Transit Route



## I-805 / 47<sup>th</sup> Street Station Area Planning

- Enhanced connectivity to Regional Transit Network
- Southeast San Diego access to Major Employment Centers
  - UCSD
  - UTC
  - Sorrento Mesa
  - Kearny Mesa
  - SDSU
  - South Bay

- Light Rail Transit (LRT)
- - - Future Mid-Coast Extension
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
- Rapid Bus

- HIA Project Timeline Constraints
  - BRT project planning process
  - CPPW timeline
- Forced development of HIA specific alternatives
- Limited internal capacity and local examples



# Project Successes

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- Community Engagement
- Developed over 50 recommendations
- PEQI
- HIA Trainings
- Developed SANDAG internal Technical Advisory Group
- Integrating the health frame for a transit project
  - Stakeholder Group and public process



# Lessons Learned and Next Steps

- Quantitative vs. Qualitative Analysis
- Increased flexibility with timeline
- Community Engagement
- Project Specific Next Steps
  - Continued staff and public participation in the BRT project development
  - Evaluation



# Future Opportunities to Implement HIA

- Continued Partnership with HHSA – CTG
- Future grant opportunities
- Two-part role for SANDAG
  - Steps toward institutionalization (Technical Advisory Group)
  - Support for local agencies (Regional Comprehensive Plan and pass through grants)

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