

Evaluation of a Health Impact Assessment ON Clark County's Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

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Overview

Background

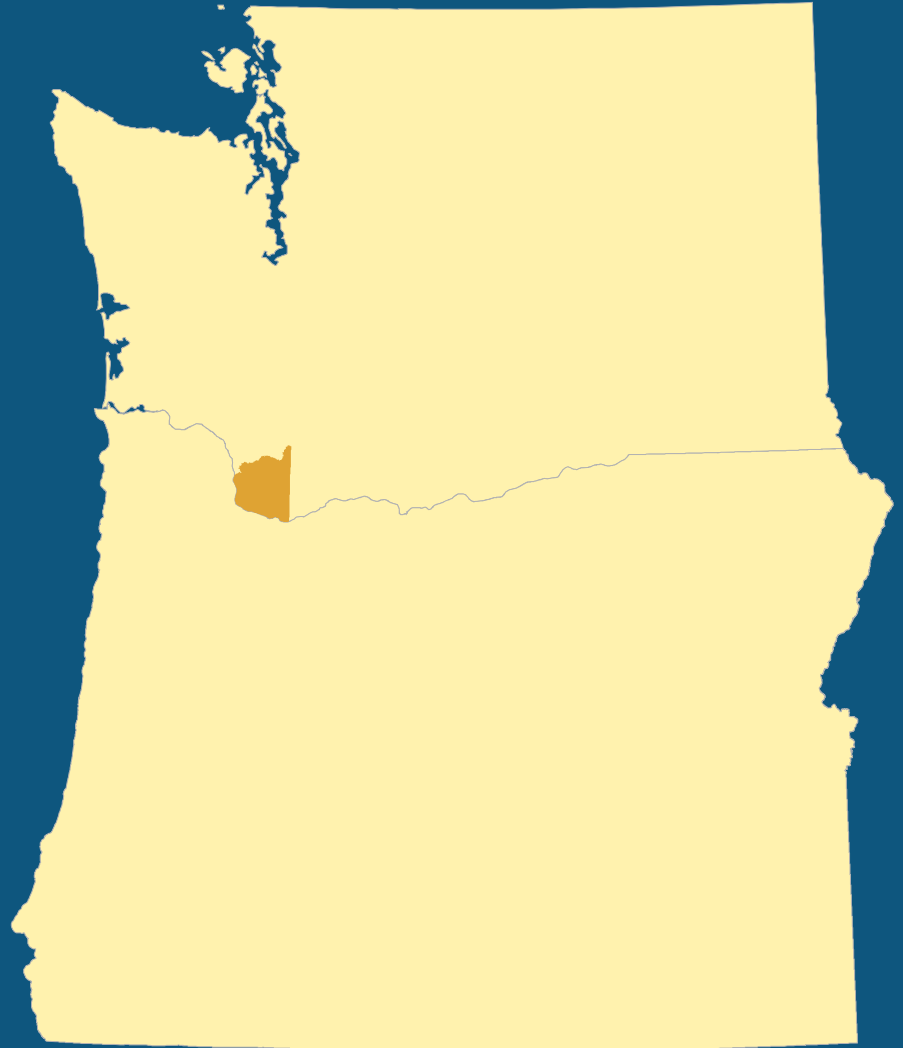
HIA evaluation

Case study

Lessons learned

Discussion

Clark County, Washington



Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Projects
Programs
Policies



Clark County, WA
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

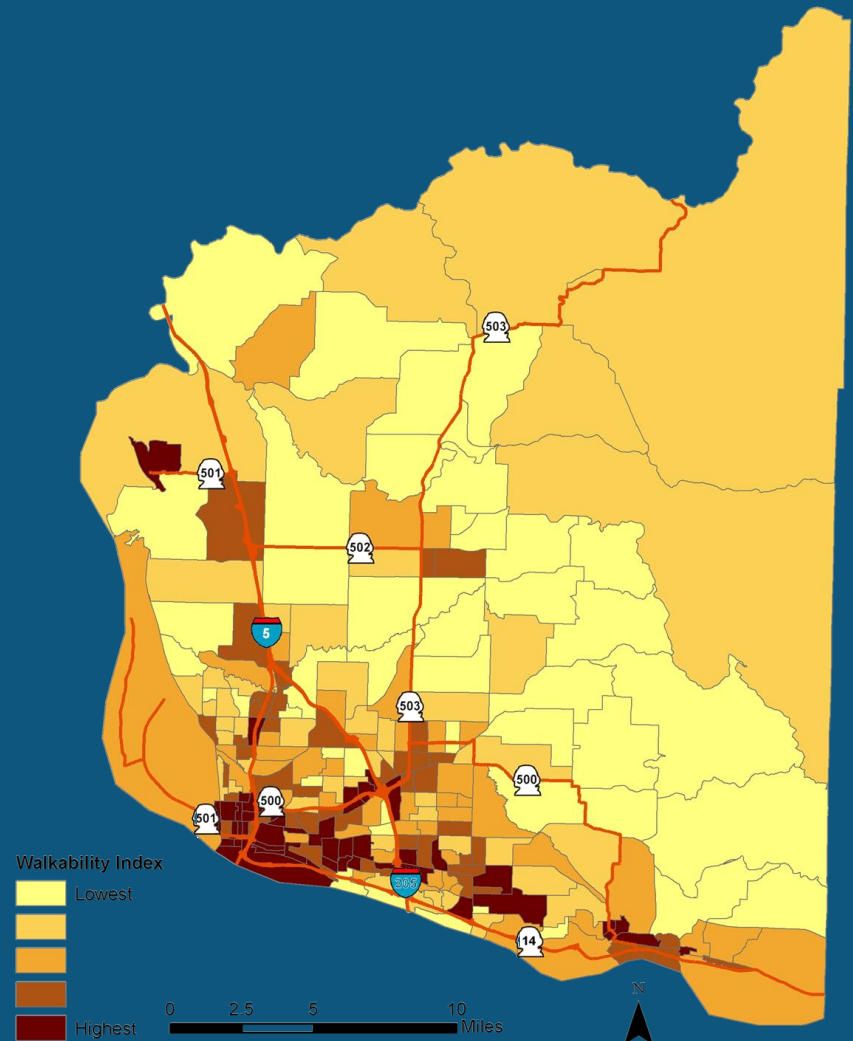
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HIA Background

Aims

1. Estimate impacts
2. Provide input
3. Evaluate the impact of HIA recommendations
4. Explore how policy makers and planners make decisions



HIA Evaluation

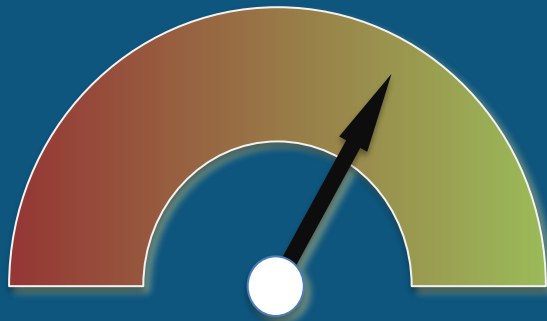
Process: Did we do what we said we would?

Impact: How did the HIA affect the decision?

Outcome: Did the HIA change health determinants or outcomes?

Case Study

Impact: How did the HIA affect the decision?



Qualitative Analysis



<http://www.npr.org/people/2100593/terry-gross>

Key Informant Interviews

Case Study: Qualitative Analysis

Not adopted



Partially adopted



Fully adopted

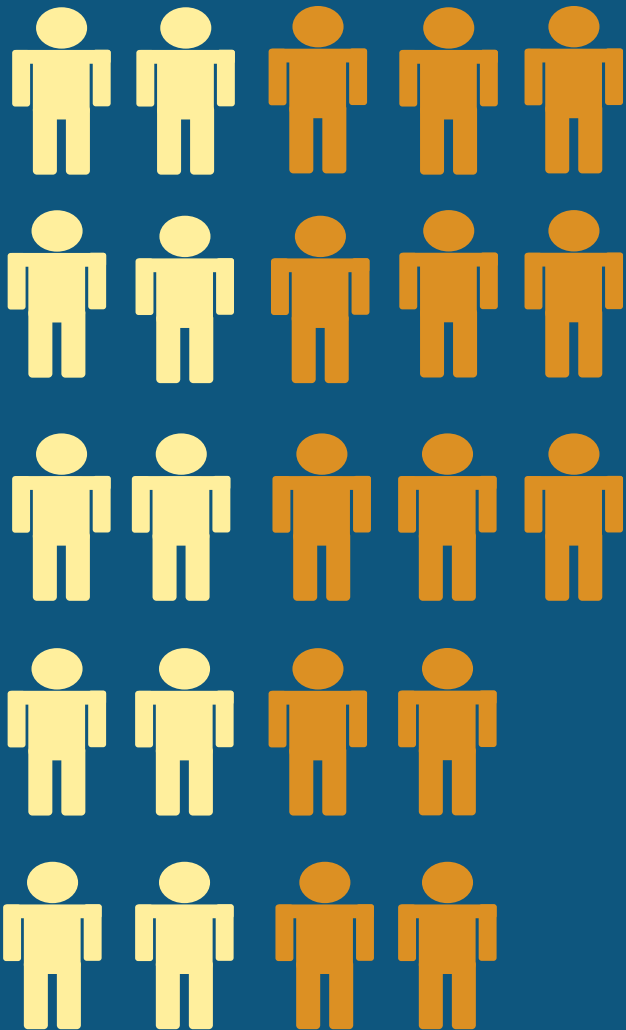


Recommendation 9: Include health and equity as project prioritization criteria

Finding: Fully adopted ●

Discussion: The planning committee developed a 100-point prioritization scoring process. Of these, 20 were allocated to health outcomes, allocated based on neighborhood socioeconomic status and potential to increase physical activity.

Case Study: Key Informant Interviews



1 planner

6 committee members

3 elected officials

30 minute semi-
structured interviews

9 key themes

Case Study: Key Informant Interviews

Examples of key themes

Informants recall exposure to health data.

Health information was useful and influenced the plan.

The HIA exposed equity issues that were not brought up elsewhere.

The HIA broadened perspectives and increased understanding of the consequences of decisions.

Lessons Learned

Limitations

- Self-assessment
- Convenience sample
- Recall bias
- HIA vs. health voice

Lessons

- Scoping future HIAs
- Reporting vs. assessment
- Basic messages
- Documented results
- Relationships



Discussion

Why is evaluation important?

How can we improve HIA evaluation?

How can we use evaluation to enhance HIA practice?

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Read related documents at: <http://www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/reports/facts.html>