



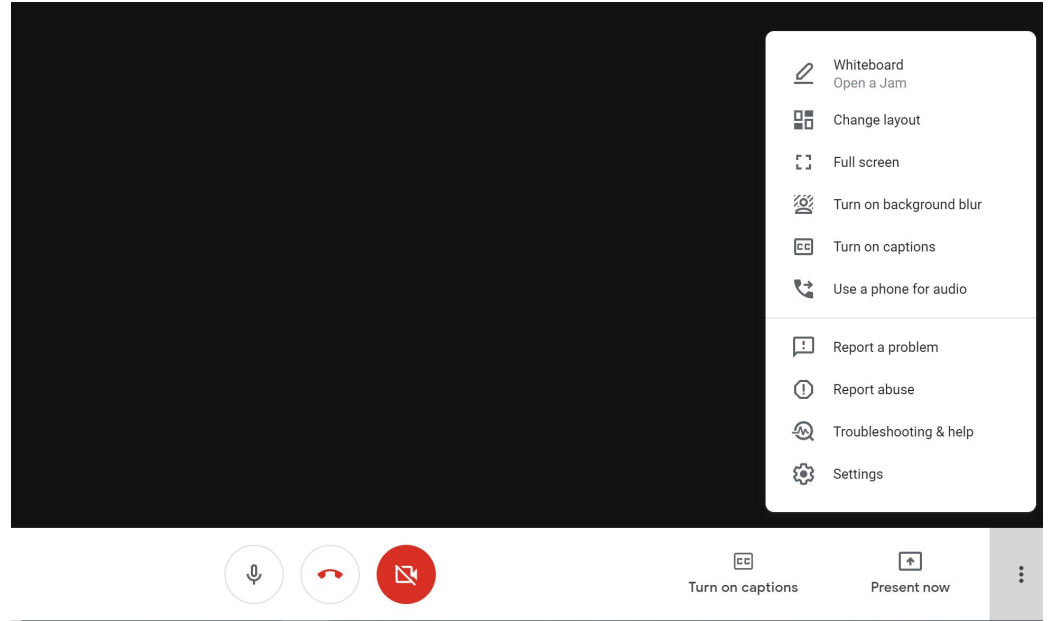
# LOWER ROXBURY TRANSPORTATION STUDY

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*Outreach Advisory Group*  
*March 17, 2022*

# TECH CHECK-IN

- ▶ Is your Google Meet working properly?
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# TODAY'S CONVENING

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## OUTCOMES

- ▶ Learn about the Frederick Douglass Peace Plaza project
- ▶ Discuss possible arts/culture/public realm collaborations
- ▶ Review outreach plan in progress
- ▶ Explain two updates to priority areas

## AGENDA

- 11:00 ▶ Suggest any revisions to desired outcomes and/or agenda
- 11:05 ▶ Introductions
- 11:10 ▶ Review purpose of this group
- 11:15 ▶ Review input we've received about arts, culture, and the public realm
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- ▶ Review next steps for the project

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- ▶ Your name
- ▶ Your pronouns (for example: *she/her/hers, he/him/his, they/them/theirs, ze/hir/hir, etc*)
- ▶ How you're connected to communities in Lower Roxbury
- ▶ A public place you enjoy (anywhere in the world!) and something that makes it enjoyable

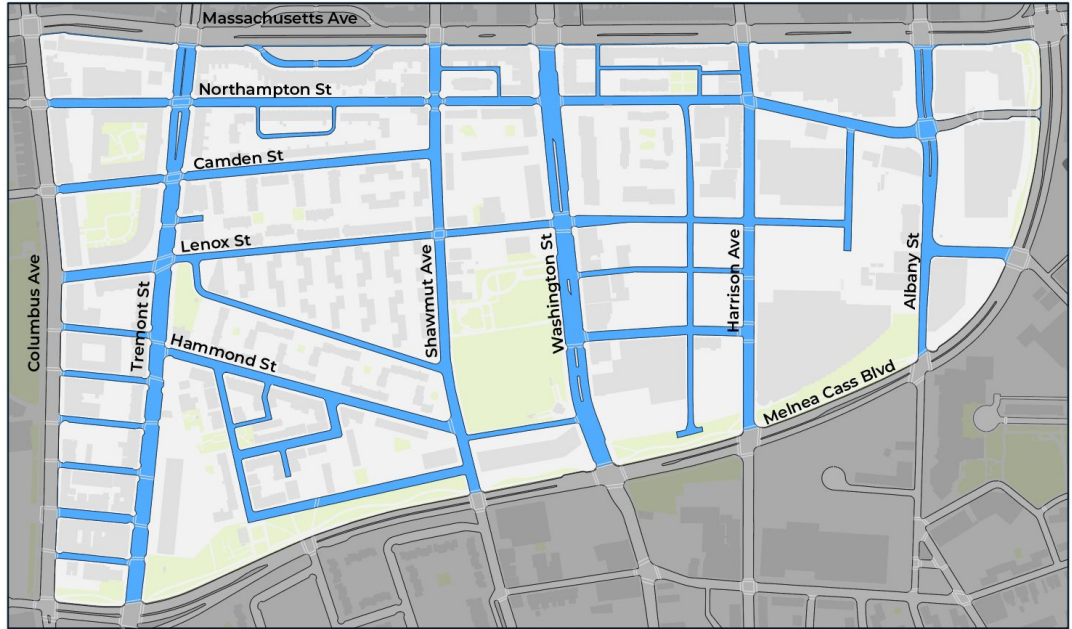
# OUR GROUP

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# PROJECT GOAL

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- ▶ Highlight **neighborhood assets**
- ▶ Create **positive changes** to your streets in Lower Roxbury



The project area is bounded by, **but does not include** Columbus, Mass Ave., and Melnea Cass.

# OUTREACH ADVISORY GROUP

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*Help us communicate and collaborate with the communities in Lower Roxbury right now.*



# EXPECTATIONS FOR BTD

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Jen, Louisa, and BTD will:

- ▶ Host outreach advisory group meetings quarterly, with ample notice.
- ▶ Be accountable to you with regular communication.
- ▶ Respectfully engage with the outreach advisory group and community members.
- ▶ Incorporate your advice and recommendations about outreach, as best as we are able.
- ▶ Make decisions transparently.

# GROUP EXPECTATIONS

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Members of the Outreach Advisory Group will:

- ▶ Make a good faith effort to attend outreach advisory group meetings.
- ▶ Engage respectfully with one other, with the project team, with community members.
- ▶ Share your knowledge and experience.
- ▶ Share back to your communities about the project.

# WHAT WE'VE HEARD

*arts, culture, and the public realm*

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# *We've heard a desire for more:*

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- ▶ Places and ways to play
- ▶ Places to sit
- ▶ Signs/wayfinding
- ▶ Connections to neighborhood history
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**FREDERICK DOUGLASS  
PEACE PLAZA**

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# BRAINSTORM

*arts, culture, and the public realm*

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# Goals:

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- ▶ Increase awareness of (and excitement around!) the broader transportation safety project
- ▶ Provide something of value to Lower Roxbury residents now (e.g. this summer)
- ▶ ***What do you think residents would be enthusiastic about?***

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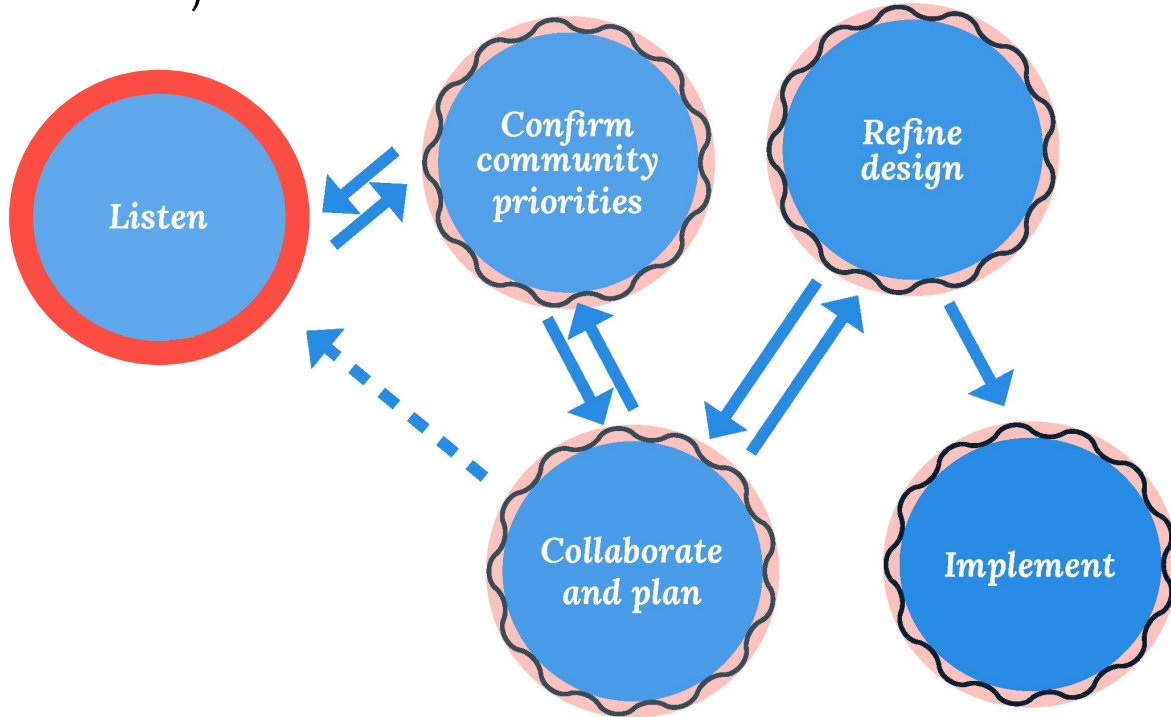




**OUTREACH IN PROGRESS**

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# First,



## What do you *love* about Lower Roxbury?

Take a moment to share your joy.

### Where do you find joy?

Place one dot on the map. Place the matching one here →

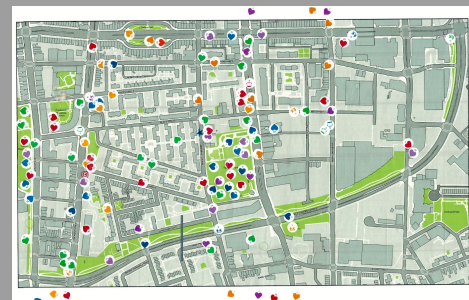


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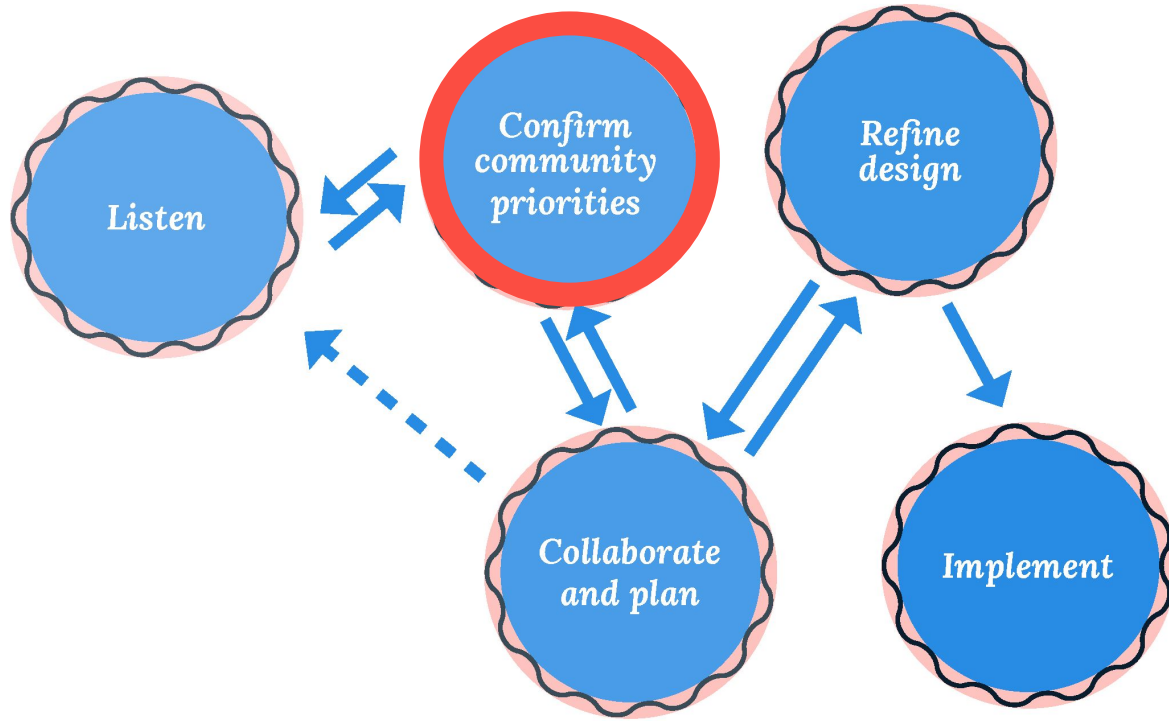
Tell us more about it.

*Shops, peaceful, friends*

 BOSTON TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT  
Greg Rooney, Acting Commissioner



# Then,



### PROJECT GOAL

You asked us to:

- Take a **broad look** at Lower Roxbury
- Listen to what the **people who live here** want for their community
- Help realize goals related to **transportation and safety**

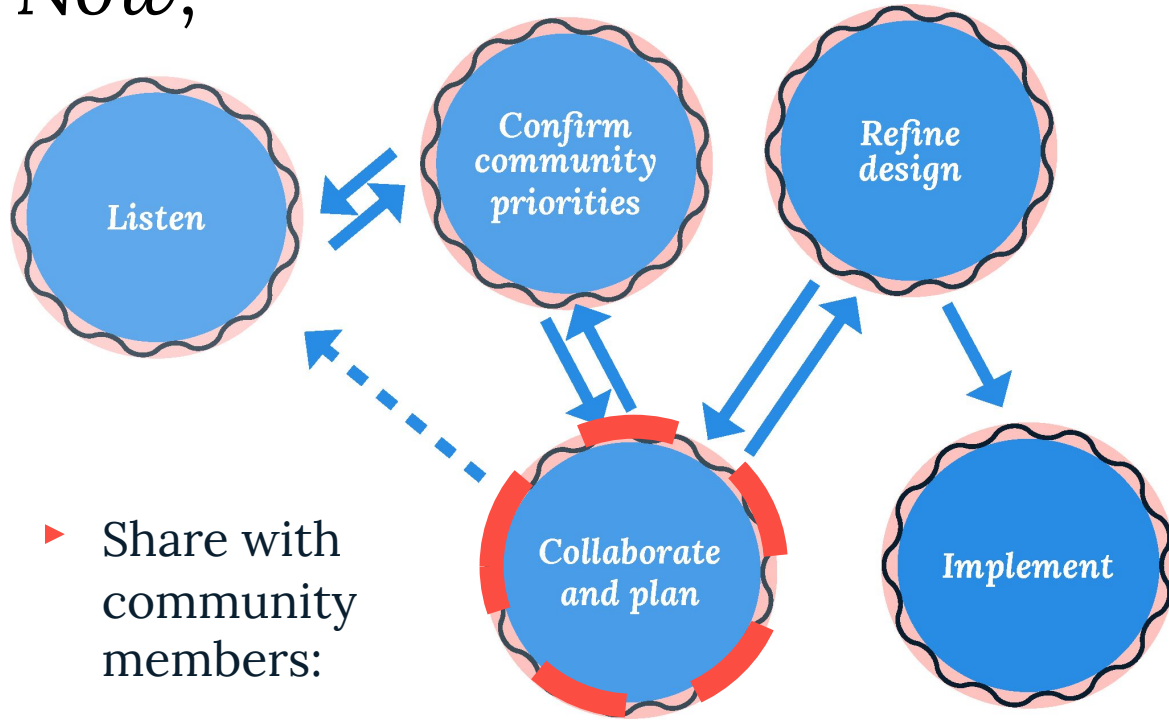
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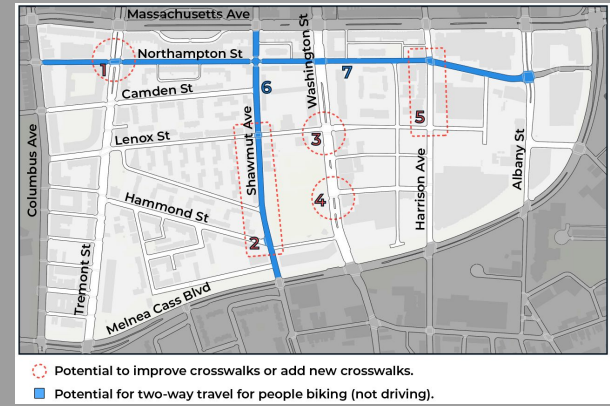
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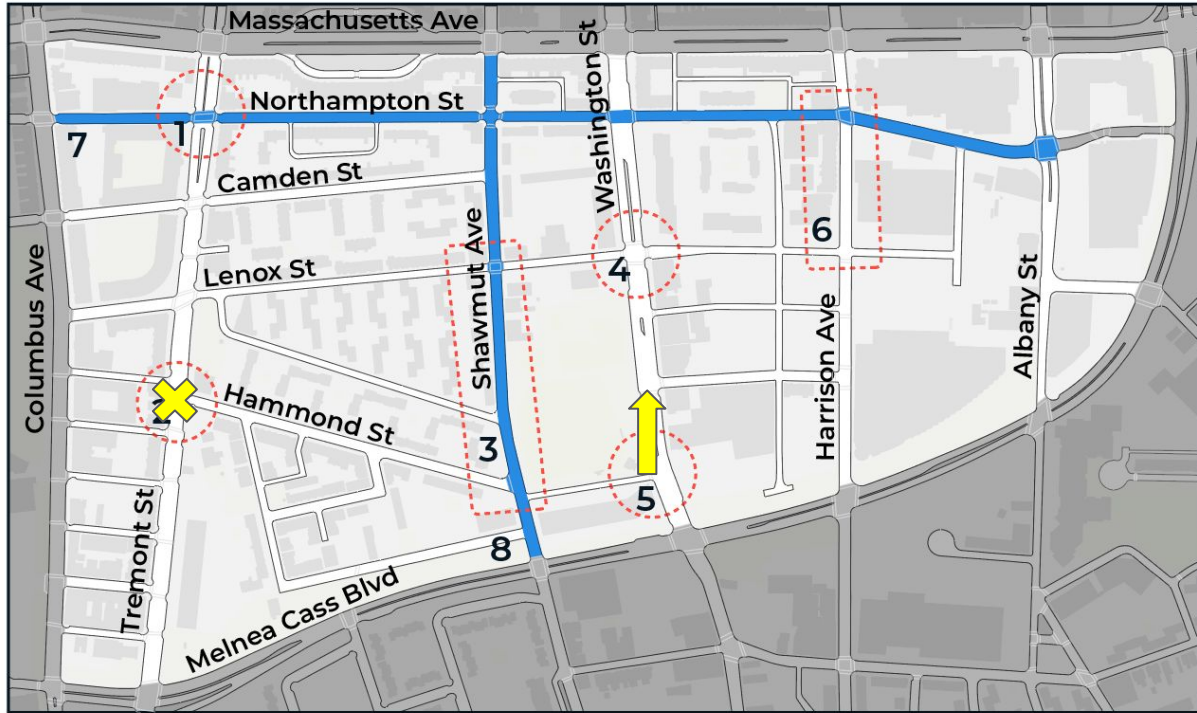


► Share with community members:

- Which locations rose to the top as priorities
- Information about the tools we could use to make changes on the streets.



# UPDATES TO PRIORITY AREAS

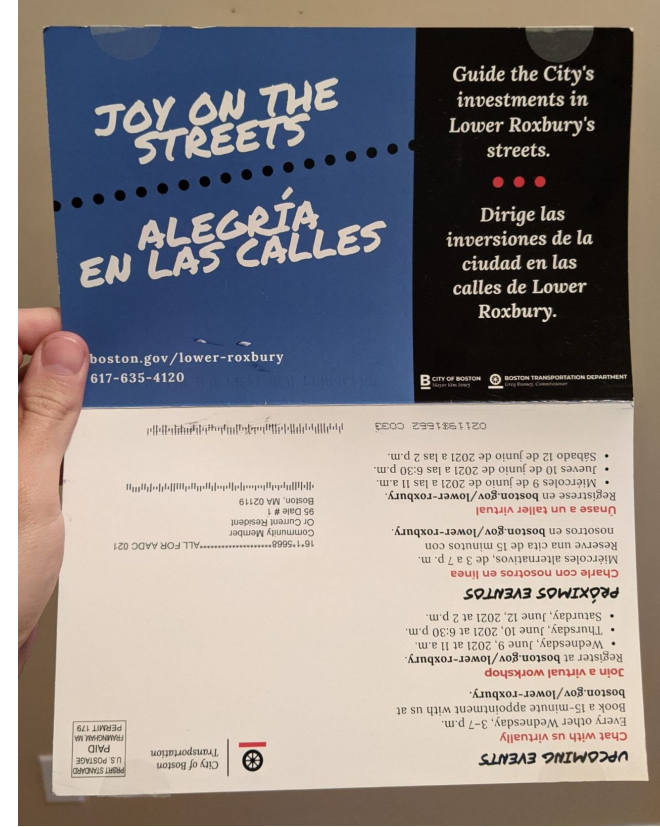


- ▶ **Tremont @ Hammond** – we’re going to work with the Sarah (Arts) and Jeff (Public Works) to make improvements
- ▶ **Washington @ Ball** – we’re going to focus on improving the existing crosswalk at Thorndike

- Potential to improve crosswalks or add new crosswalks.
- Potential for two-way travel for people biking (not driving).

# SHARING RESULTS

- ▶ We are sending postcards and emails, updating project website.
- ▶ We would like to keep the conversation open with residents while we:
  - Collect data
  - Evaluate prioritized locations with an engineer
  - Create a design proposal to share



# PROJECT TIMELINE

We are here



MAY, JUNE,  
2021 2021

SEP,  
2021

JUNE, 2022

FALL,  
2022

Confirm  
priorities



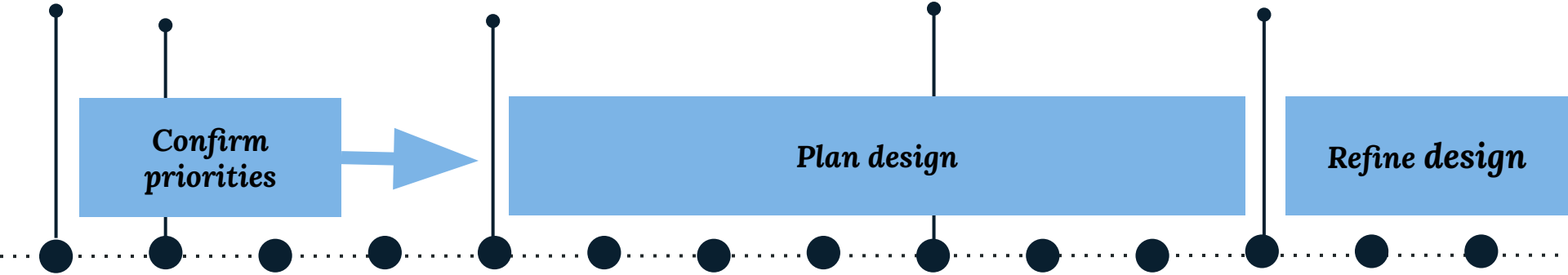
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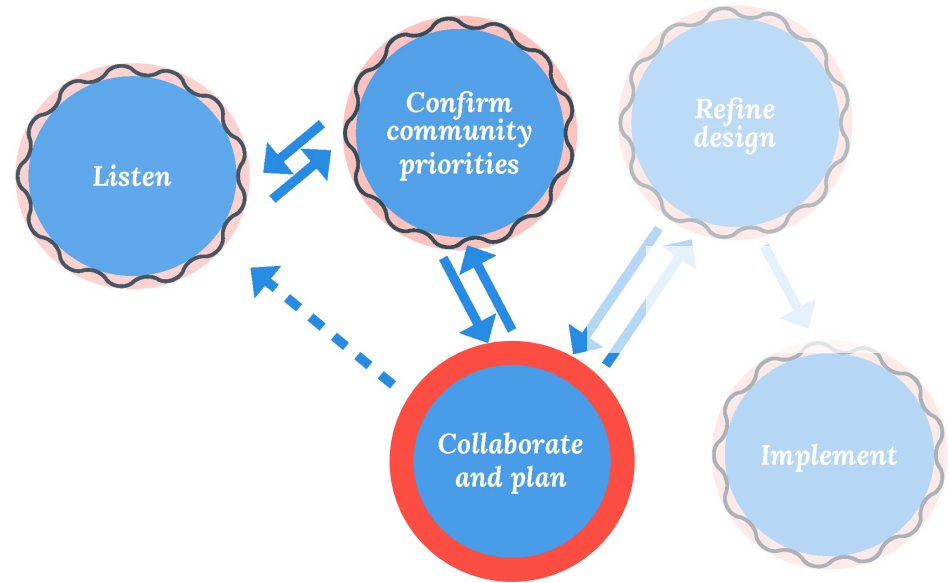


Solicit feedback



# NEXT STEPS FOR THIS GROUP

- ▶ Meet again on **May 19 at 11:00am**
- ▶ Email to you re: today's meeting notes
- ▶ Keep you posted!





# MEETING EVALUATION

## OUTCOMES

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## QUESTIONS

- ▶ *How did we do as a group at achieving our desired outcomes for the meeting?*
- ▶ *How did the project team do at guiding the process?*
- ▶ *Any recommendations for the next meeting?*

**CONCLUSION**

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