1. Turn on your camera.

2. Introduce yourself in the chat.
   Windows: Alt + H  |  Mac: Command + Shift + H

3. Mute yourself when you are not speaking (*6 by phone).

4. Remember, this workshop is being recorded.

5. Need technical assistance? Reach out to Irene Figueroa-Ortiz (DOT).
WORKSHOP AGENDA

• Brief presentation
• Breakout feedback sessions
DOT PUBLIC SPACE
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Weekend Walks and Seasonal Streets
StreetSeats
Plaza Program
CityBench
29-Day Concessions
BikeCorrals
COVID-19 RECOVERY EFFORTS

Open Streets
Open Restaurants
Open Streets: Restaurants
Open Streets: Plazas
Open Streets: Play
Emergency Bike Corrals
Open Streets began in spring 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since the spring, DOT has implemented:

**Open Streets**
- Active, socially distant recreation and safe programming opportunities
- In coordination with NYPD and 41 community partners
- Local access only, 5 MPH

**Open Streets: Restaurants**
- Supports the restaurant industry and brings urban vitality back to NYC
- Exclusively executed by 67 community partners
- Fully closed street

**Protected Bike Lanes**
- Cycling space including temporary and permanent bike lanes
- Implemented by DOT throughout 2020, 21
Open Streets: Restaurants – Graham Ave
Temporary Protected Bike Lane – Flatbush Ave
CITYWIDE RELIEF

W 120th St, Manhattan

9th St, Staten Island

34th Ave, Queens

Arthur Ave, The Bronx

5th Ave, Brooklyn
BK CB1 OPEN STREETS – 3.03 MILES

- Sharon Street
- Grattan Street
- Moore Street
- Humboldt Street
- Leonard Street
- South 9th Street
- North 3rd Street
- Nassau Avenue
- Berry Street
- West Street
- Driggs Avenue
- Grand Street
- Grattan Street
- Kosciuszko Bridge
- McGolrick Park
- McCarren Park
- BQE
- Queens
- Manhattan
- Williamsburg Bridge

BK CB 1 Open Streets

Other Open Streets
COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- DOT partners responsible for the day to day execution of some Open Streets across North Brooklyn
- Consists of neighbors, community based organizations, businesses, and other members of the North Brooklyn community working together collaboratively to create public space
- Stepped in to manage Open Streets when City resources were limited at the height of the pandemic
HOW OPEN STREETS WORK

1. **Road Closed to Thru Traffic**
   - Pick ups/drop offs and Access-A-Ride permitted
   - Emergency, delivery, and utility vehicles **ALL** times
   - Open Streets are in effect daily 8am to 8pm

2. **Parking is Permitted**
   - Alternate Side Parking regulations remain in effect
   - Must follow all other parking regulations

3. **If you move the barriers, please put them back in place.**
   - Barriers remain up when Open Streets is in effect
   - 5 MPH speed limit while driving on the block
   - Yield to pedestrians and cyclists
DOT OUTREACH EFFORTS TO DATE

**Community Feedback and Merchant Surveys**
- 12/21/2020 until 2/2/2021
- Available in English, Spanish, and Polish

**BK CB 1 Transportation Committee**
- Receiving feedback promoted survey and workshop at meetings
- December 1st, January 5th, and February 2nd

**Digital Promotion by DOT and Partners**
- Email blasts and social media posts
- Weekly blasts and posts since mid December 2020

**Flyer Promotion by DOT and Partners**
- Flyers hung along Open Streets corridors and throughout the wider North Brooklyn community since December
- Distributed flyers to businesses along Open Streets corridors

**Survey Engagement Opportunities**
- Ability to submit response via online survey
- Option to call DOT Customer Service to complete survey
- Always able to reach out to DOT BK Borough Commissioners Office

**City Agency Communications**
- Direct lines of communications between DOT, NYPD, FDNY, & DSNY
- Work together to solve any issues if they come up
COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

1,624
Community Survey Responses

86%
Respondents indicate they used Open Streets while walking

77%
Respondents visit Open Streets daily or several times a week

27%
Respondents indicate they used Open Streets while driving

- 93% of respondents lived within Community Board # 1
- 38% lived on Berry St, Driggs Av, Nassau Av, or Sharon St

Closest intersection to respondent’s home
FEEDBACK OVERVIEW

SUCCESSES
- Open Streets have become neighborhood hubs and a tool for recovery from the pandemic
- They provide more open space for community use
- Lack of thru-traffic has made the street quieter and feel safer for pedestrians and cyclists
- For businesses, benefit of a street closure is the increase in foot traffic to their establishment

CHALLENGES
- Need to clarify access and provide better barriers and signage for Open Streets
- Reported instances of dangerous driving and general traffic safety concerns (even pre-COVID)
- Social distancing and other quality of life concerns
- Community partners need operational support for long term success
How do you want to use these Open Streets corridors in the future?

- Strolling (walking leisurely, enjoying outdoor space): 76%
- As part of my daily commute: 59%
- Exercise: 58%
- Biking: 56%
- Socially distanced outdoor group activities, community programming, and other types of events: 55%
- Driving: 19%
- Other (please specify): 10%
BREAKOUT FEEDBACK SESSIONS
PROPOSED BARRIER & SIGN REFRESH

- Replace wooden barricades with new metal barricades on Berry, Nassau, Driggs, and Sharon
- Featuring new metal, reflective signage clarifying use and access – QR code for more information
- Temporary solution as we work towards a future vision for these corridors
Sharon Street
Berry Street
Driggs Avenue
Russell Street
Nassau Avenue
Kosciuszko Bridge
McCarren Park
Bedford Avenue
McGolrick Park
Driggs Avenue
Sharon Street
Manhattan
Williamsburg Bridge
BREAKOUT SESSION TOOLS
BREAKOUT SESSION TOOLS: MICROPHONE (*6 BY PHONE)
BREAKOUT SESSION TOOLS: ANNOTATE
• Use the form to give feedback for every intersection along the Open Streets corridors
• Every response should be specific to an intersection on Open Streets
• You can submit as many responses as you would like until 2/18/21
NEXT STEPS

• February and March 2021
  • Continue collecting feedback
  • Design development

• March/April 2021
  • Design workshop # 2
  • Barrier and sign refresh

• May 2021
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FEEDBACK GEOGRAPHY #3

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