



## We Support a Modern Vision for the Sunrise Corridor!

The businesses, associations, non-profit organizations, and local governments listed above strongly support the request for \$4M in state funding to launch a robust community engagement and equitable development plan for the Sunrise Gateway Corridor.

The Sunrise Gateway Corridor is an essential economic hub in Clackamas County and serves as one of the busiest freight distribution centers in the Portland Metro region and the state. It is also projected to double in residential population over the next 20 years. The heavily congested transportation system is failing with dangerous intersections and a lack of safe crossings, pedestrian, and bicycle amenities. No formal planning or community engagement work has been conducted for this corridor in over 10 years. It's time to involve the community to understand their needs and work together to develop solutions to address the congestion,

safety, housing, and disaster resilience needs of this area, including the transportation system between 122<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 172<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

The proposed plan would accomplish the following goals:

1. **Build trust and a common vision for the future of the corridor** by listening to the people who live, work, and own businesses in this corridor. Prioritize engagement with people who have historically been left out of the public process including people experiencing poverty and people of color.
2. Find opportunities to optimize land use designations within the corridor to support housing options and job creation by conducting a **Land Use Assessment and an Economic Opportunities Analysis**.
3. Protect the current residents of the area by developing and implementing an **anti-displacement strategy**.
4. Identify barriers and develop solutions for improving community health by conducting a **Community Health Assessment**.
5. Modernize the Transportation Vision for this corridor by understanding the community needs and integrating solutions into the ideal transportation system design, **updating the environmental approvals for the selected improvements (EIS)**.

This visioning concept came out of more than two years of research and stakeholder discussions about what is needed to improve this corridor. We support Clackamas County and their partners' efforts to convene this community conversation and move this corridor toward safely meeting the needs of the people and businesses that rely on this corridor.

**We strongly support equitable development of the Sunrise Corridor and respectfully request state funding support on this critical need.**