Public, staff making progress on Kenton Connects plan

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Progress is being made on the countywide *Kenton Connects* bicycle and pedestrian study. Results from a recent public survey are being used to guide the next phase of the project. Advisory committee members are currently working on setting actionable, measurable and achievable benchmarks and goals.

The process for identifying benchmarks includes an analysis of existing conditions in Kenton County, reviewing national trends, and considering survey results.

With results from the fall 2017 survey as a guide, four key topics were identified as areas of focus; safety, usership, existing infrastructure, and education.

"The benchmarks, goals, and policies identified in Kenton Connects will help guide bicycle and pedestrian conditions here for many years to come, and will be used to implement future policy decisions in the county," said Chris Schneider, AICP, Principal Planner and project manager for the study.

While much of the work has already been done, there is still more to do. The study's next steps include drafting the existing conditions report, formulating goals, and holding a public open house anticipated for the spring. The study is on track to conclude in the summer of 2018.

To stay up to date on the *Kenton Connects* bicycle and pedestrian plan, visit <u>KentonConnects.org</u> and join the project email list. Email <u>Chris Schneider</u> or call him at 859.331.8980 with any questions or for more information.