

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE August 5, 2016

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SUBJECT **Resilient Dallas Update**

Today's presentation will provide an update on the 100 Resilient Cities Program and a review of the progress to date. We will brief the Committee on the work accomplished during Phase I of the strategy development process. We will also cover the upcoming Phase II work program, and next steps for civic partnership and involvement.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional information.

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# Resilient Dallas Update

Quality of Life & Environment Committee  
August 8, 2016



# Introduction

- Update on the 100 Resilient Cities Program and a review of the progress to date
- Discuss the development of the Discovery Areas and Scope of Work for Phase II
- Discuss next steps and opportunities for additional stakeholder engagement



**100RC partners**  
with cities around the  
world to **help them**  
**become more resilient** to the  
social, economic and  
physical challenges that  
are a growing part of  
the 21st century.

# 100 Resilient Cities

All 100 have now been selected.  
Dallas and El Paso are the only 2 Texas Cities.



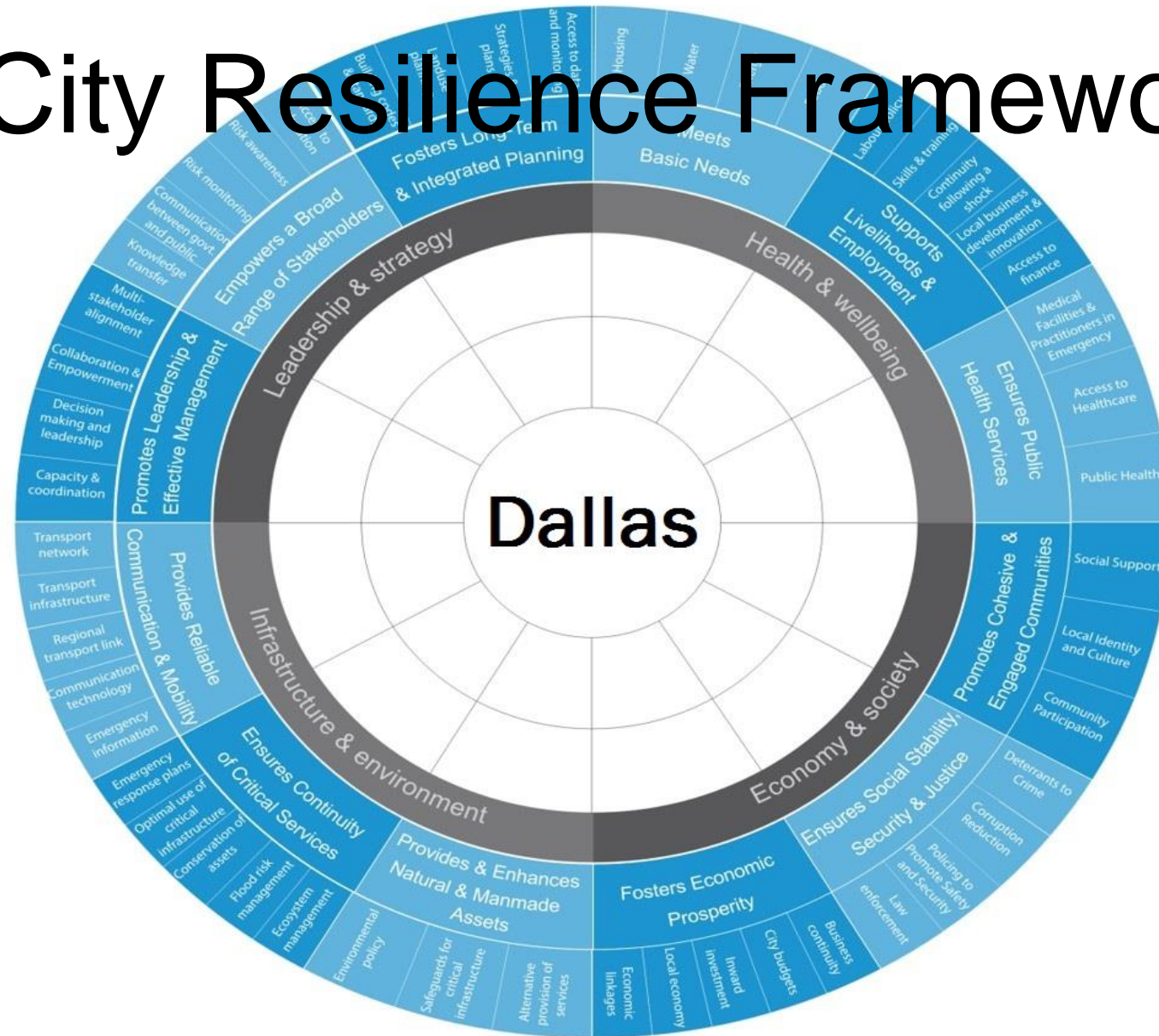
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# URBAN RESILIENCE

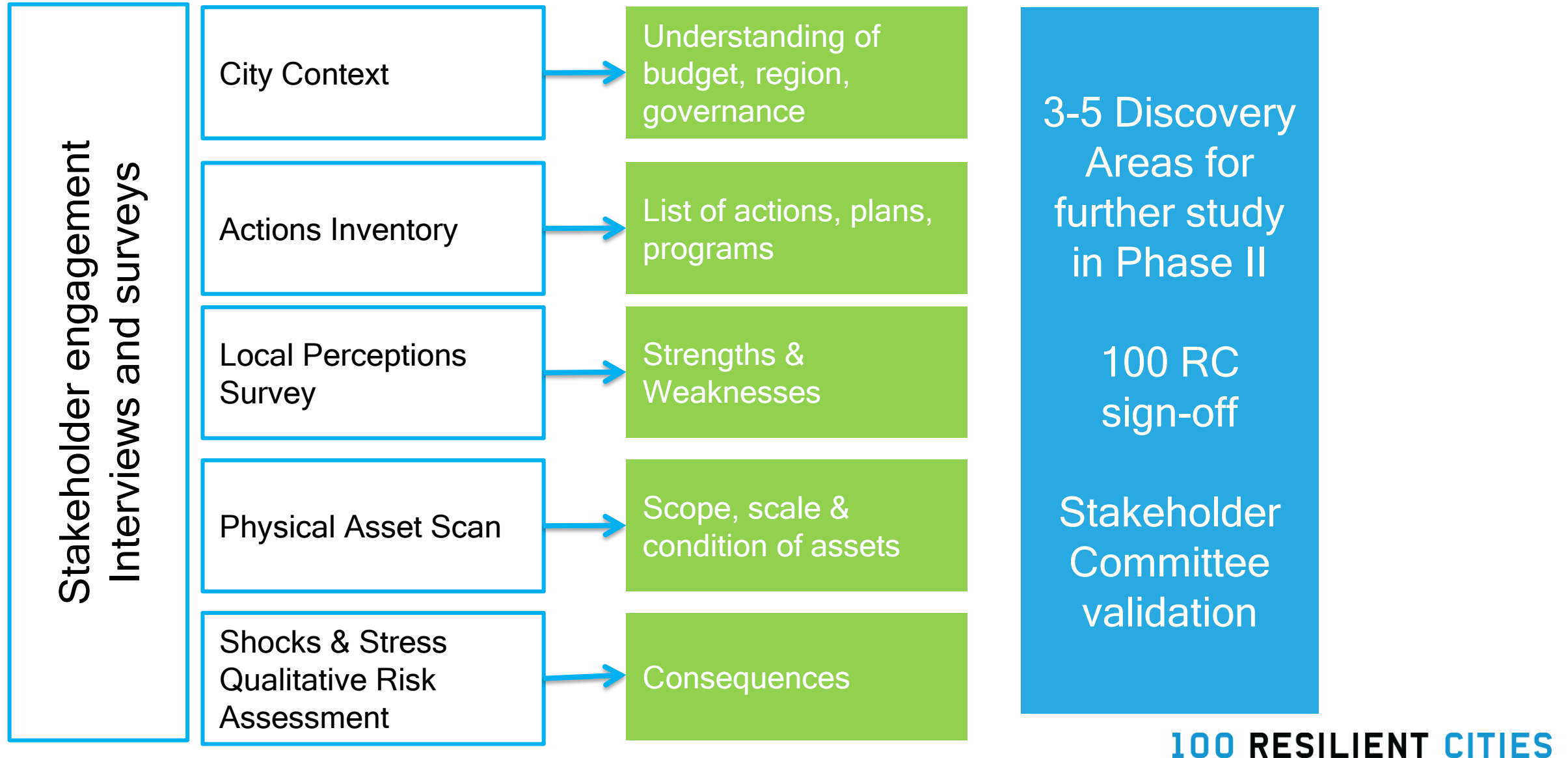
A large steel truss bridge is under construction over a wide river. Several cranes are visible in the background, some positioned on the bridge structure and others on the ground. The sky is overcast, and there are trees and buildings in the distance.

The capacity of individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, and systems within a city to survive, adapt, and grow no matter what kind of chronic stresses and acute shocks they experience.

# City Resilience Framework



# Phase I – Preliminary Resilience Assessment

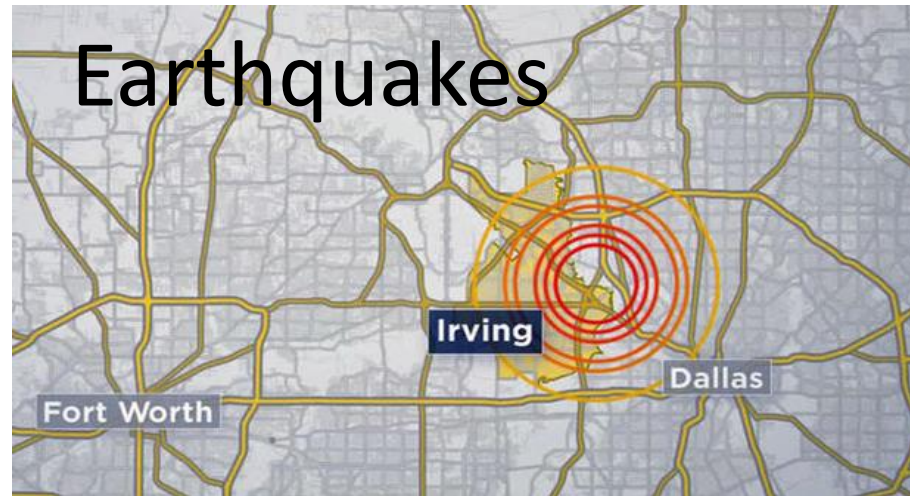




# Phase I – work completed to date

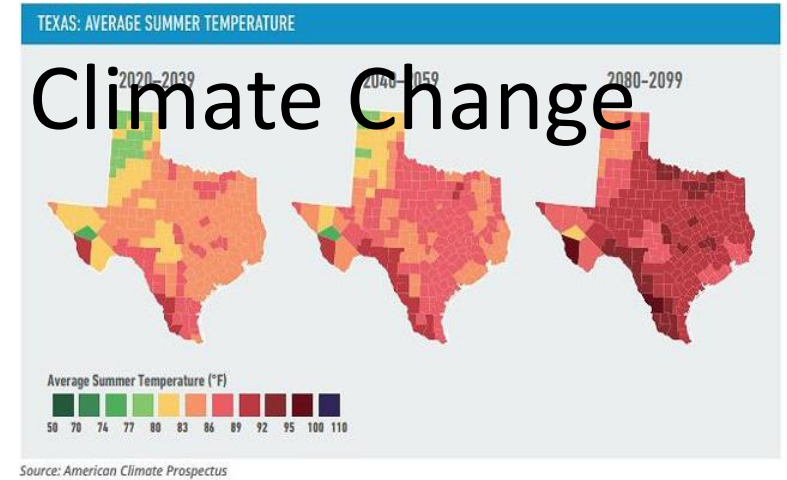
- Stakeholder committee meetings
- Stakeholder interviews
- Dallas Resilience website
- City Context
- Actions Inventory
- Perceptions Survey (open)
- Physical Asset Scan
- Qualitative Shocks and Stresses Assessment
- Scenario Planning

# Top Shocks for Dallas



Disease  
Outbreak

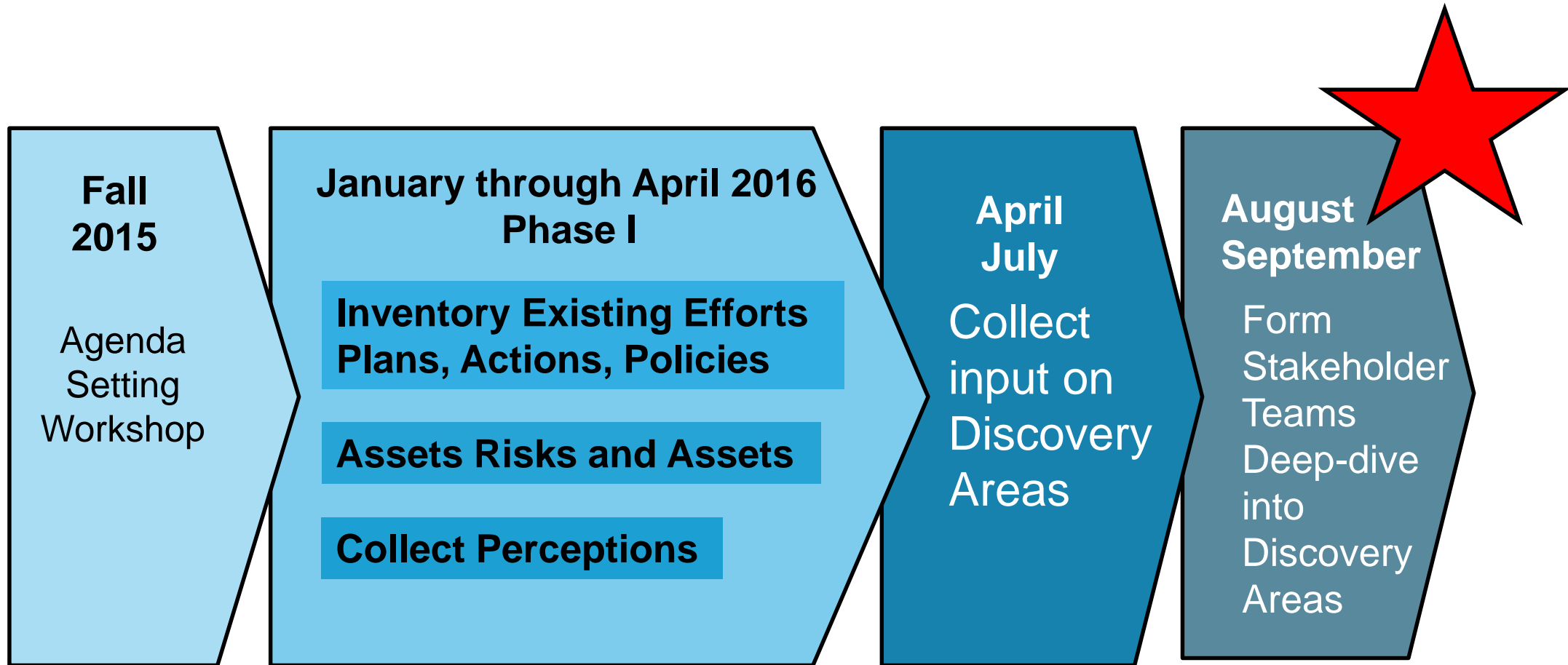
# Top Stresses for Dallas



# Considerations during Phase I

- What are the important linkages between shocks and stresses?
- What strengths and successful actions should we build on?
- Does the public's perception of the city's preparedness and performance match the plans and actions currently underway?
- What aspects of resilience is the city not yet addressing?

# Process timeline



# Building an Equitable 21st Century Dallas

- Recognize the current equity issues in our community and the diversity our population
- Build upon a foundation of strength – maximize the resources, assets and energy available to us
- Leverage the myriad partners and stakeholders already doing good work

# Building an Equitable 21st Century Dallas

- Understand the interrelationships of shocks and the long-term stresses that increase Dallas' vulnerability
- Understand the cascading impacts of shocks and stresses on vulnerable populations
- Explore the role of technology in bringing new solutions to old problems

# Discovery Areas

- Harnessing the power of the robust North Central Texas economy to be more inclusive and create economic resilience for Dallas residents
- Exploring opportunities to improve Public Health outcomes and decrease health disparity
- Understanding the impacts of climate change on the natural and built environment and assessing the infrastructure in Dallas neighborhoods
- Preparing for a 21<sup>st</sup> century Urban Mobility and leveraging the region's transportation investment to expand mobility options, build mobility infrastructure, and improve transportation equity



# Robust North Texas Economy

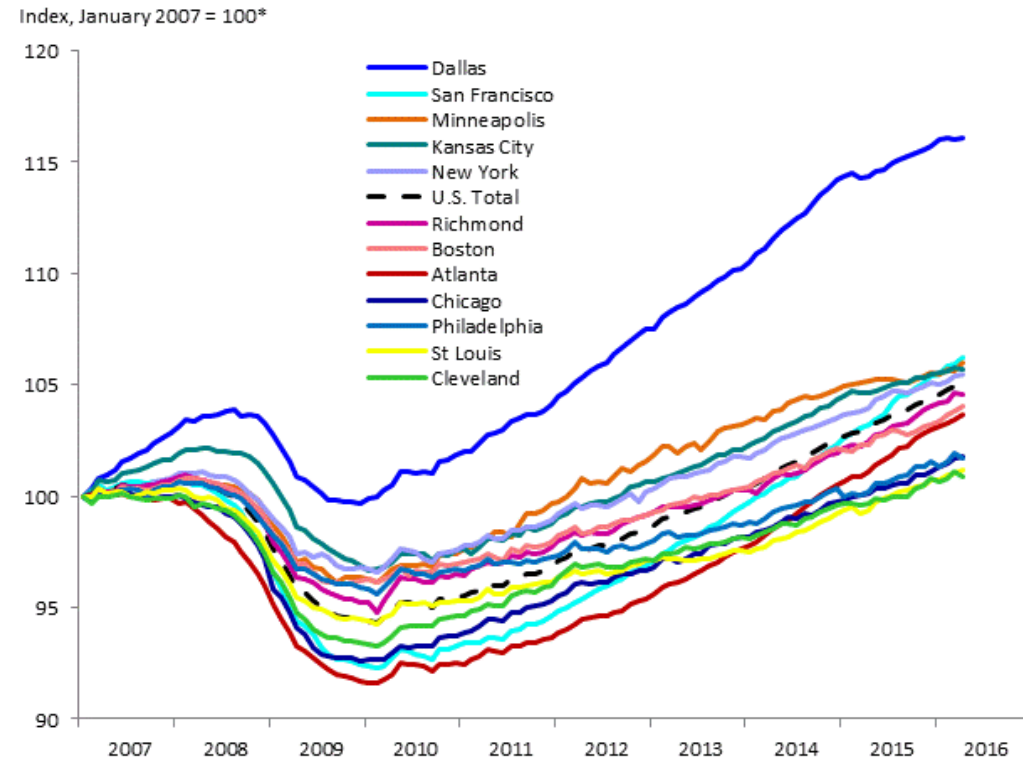
## DFW Economic Overview

- 4th largest population in U.S.
- 6th largest economy by output
- 5th largest by personal income
- 5<sup>th</sup> largest employment market
- Unemployment rate of 3.7%



# Strength of the Job Market

Payroll Employment by Federal Reserve District



\*Monthly, seasonally adjusted.

Last data entry April 2016.

SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

**National payroll employment by Federal Reserve District  
2009 - 2016**

- Economic downturn began in 2008
- Turnaround began in 2009
- Job recovery in the 11<sup>th</sup> District outpaced all other areas of the country
- Texas and the Dallas Metro area continue to experience strong growth

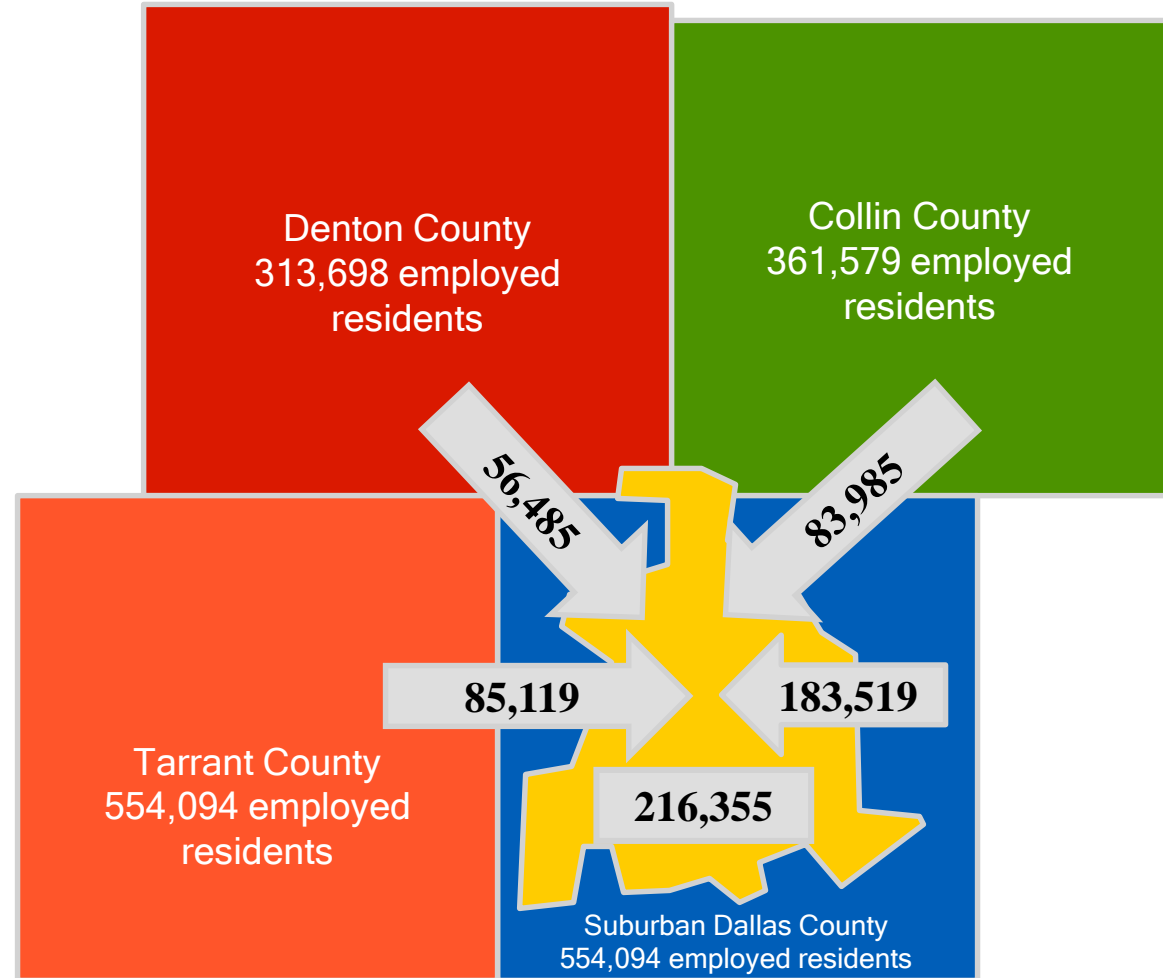
\* Dallas Federal Reserve Bank, District 11, includes all of Texas and some portions of Louisiana and New Mexico

# Dallas is the vibrant, urban core



# Dallas must import talent to fill top jobs

- Dallas has well over 1 million jobs
- 625,000+ workers commute into Dallas every day to work
- 263,000 workers leave Dallas everyday to fill low-skill jobs



# Economic Opportunity Gap

Despite the robust economy, the poverty rate in Dallas **increased by 42%** from 2000 - 2014

Strong economy has left many residents behind

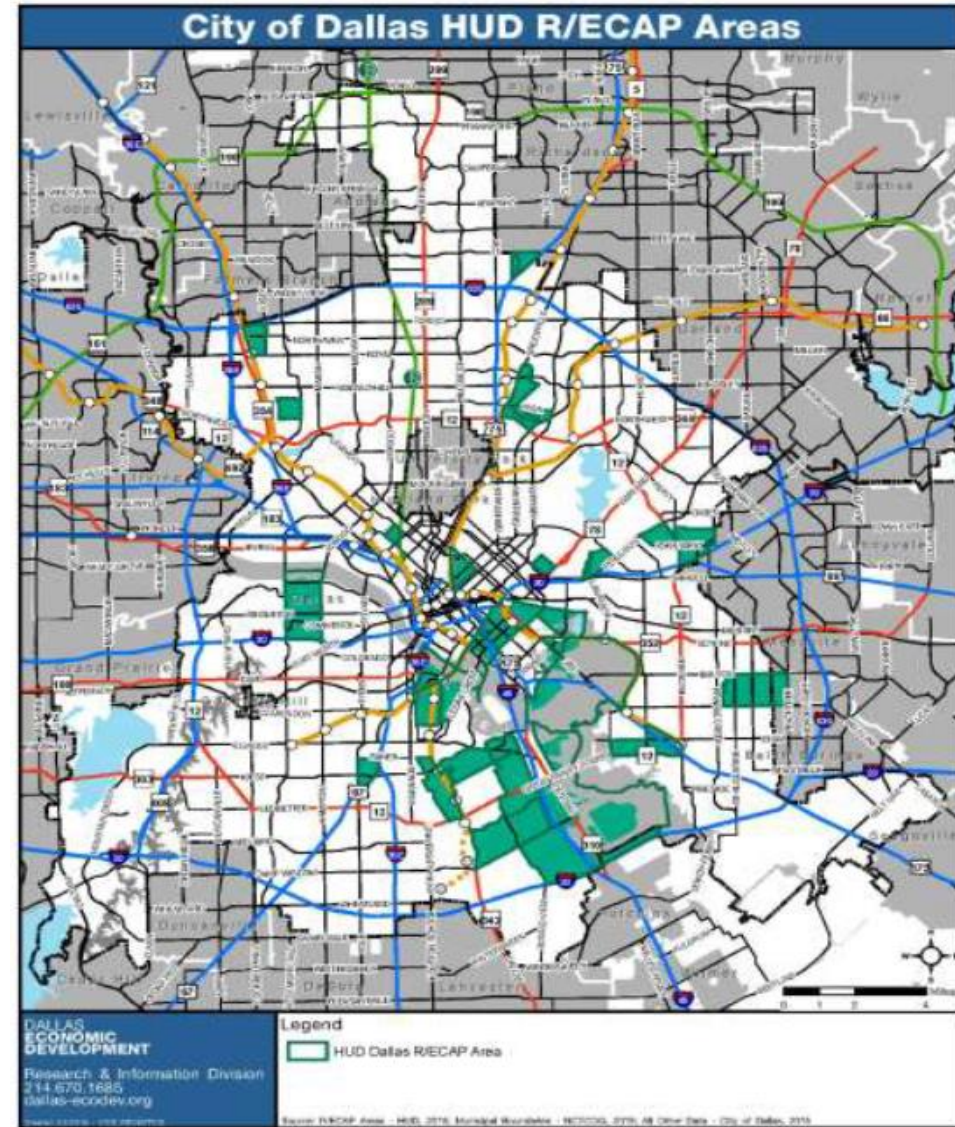
- 39% of households in Dallas live in asset poverty
- 45% of households with children live in asset poverty

Unemployed and underemployed people often lack the skills/training necessary to prosper in this strong economy

# HUD R/ECAP

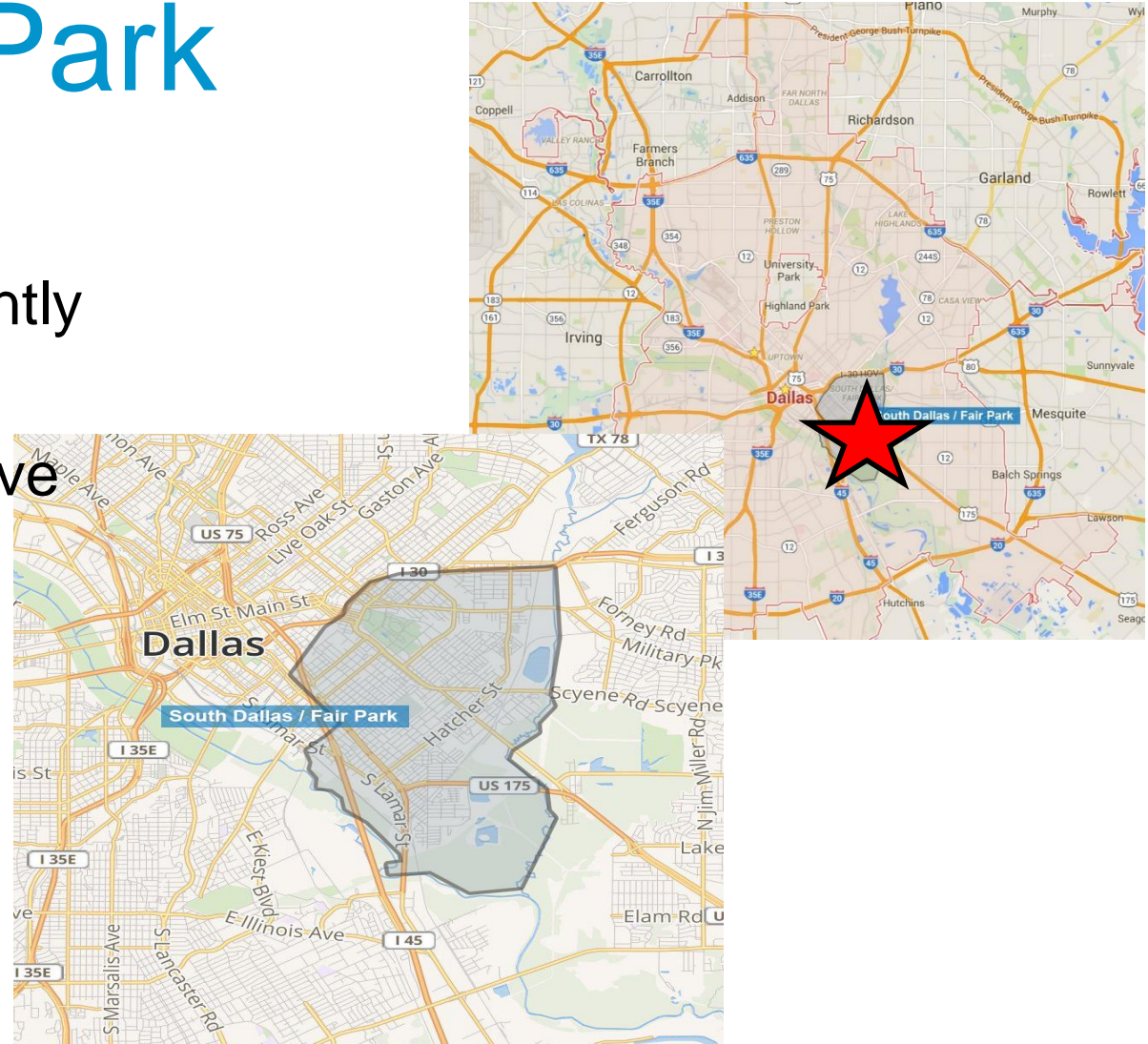
- 122,330 people, 55% are families
- Unemployment rate is 13%
- Adults not in the workforce can exceed 30% in some census tracts
- Per capita income is \$12,291

Challenges of education attainment, skills gap, language barriers, limited transportation options, and childcare costs have left many Dallas residents behind



# South Dallas/Fair Park

- Unemployment rate of 18.5%
- Over 60% of adults are not currently employed
- Less than 8% of the residents have a bachelor's degree or higher
- Per capita income is \$12,263
- 35% of families with children live below the poverty level
- Population decline of 24% from 2000 - 2014



# Discovery Area – Inclusive Economy

Understand how the robust North Central Texas economy can be more inclusive and provide market-driven opportunities to residents who have been left behind during this remarkable period of prosperity.



# Proposed Diagnostic Questions

- What are proven, best practices for Dallas to consider for building an inclusive economy?
- What are the barriers and impediments that prevent some Dallas residents from finding living wage employment opportunities?
- How can we improve or adjust our existing practices, policies and funding priorities to expand economic opportunity and build economic resilience for Dallas residents?
- What programs, partnerships and collaborations can we build on to ensure all residents who want to obtain living wage employment have the skills and training opportunities necessary?

# Health care in Dallas



# Improving Public Health

## 3 essential factors for improving public health

- Health literacy - knowing when to go to a doctor and how to care for yourself or your family
- Access to healthcare through insurance coverage
- Having a medical home - doctors and clinics available in your neighborhood or in a location accessible by transit

# Disparity in Health Care

Report: Texas has the highest number of uninsured Hispanic kids in the country

About two out of three of uninsured Hispanic children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP but not enrolled.



Learn more: <http://bit.ly/1ZvbIUz>

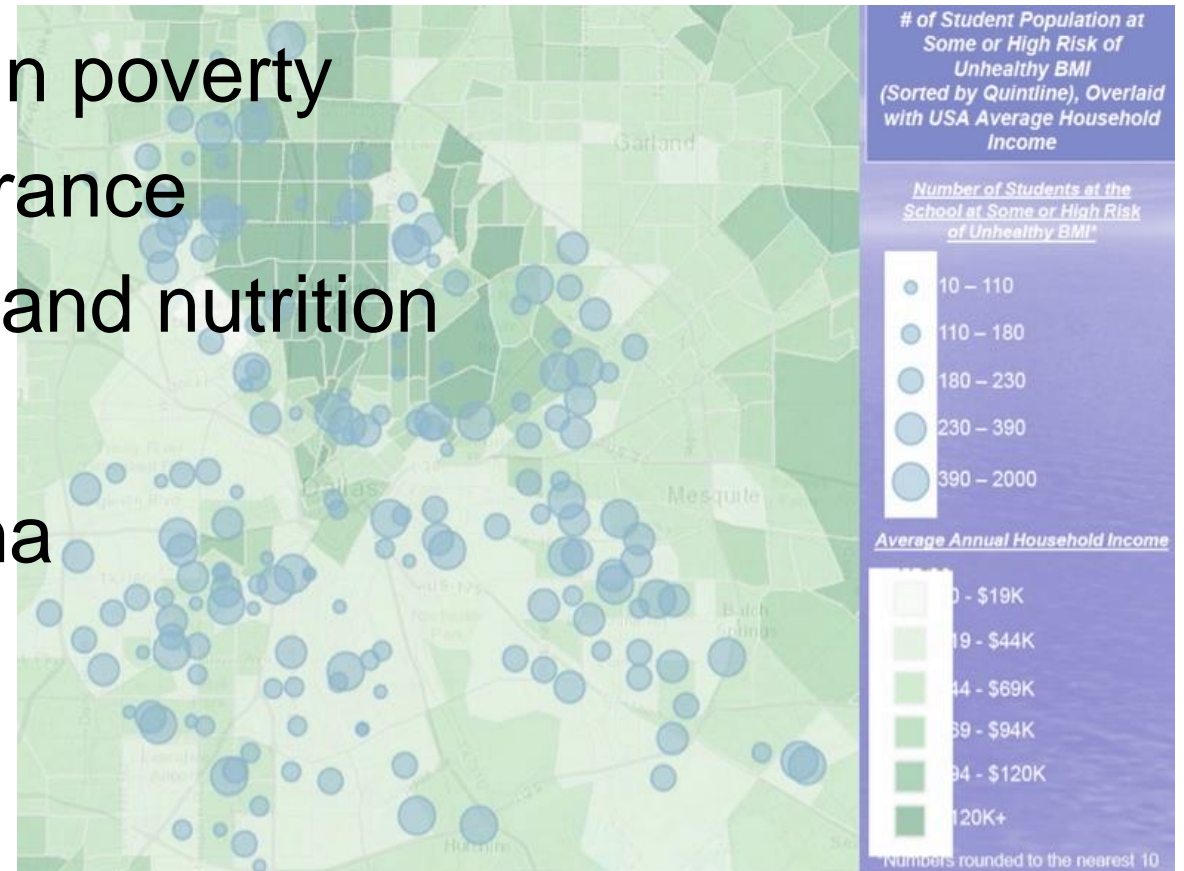
## Community Need Index

Aggregates a number of socioeconomic risk factors

- **Poverty**
- **Educational attainment**
- **Racial/ethnic minorities**
- **Limited English proficiency**
- **Unemployment**
- **Lack of health insurance**

# Growing up poor in Dallas

- 38% of Dallas children live in poverty
- 20% don't have health insurance
- 28% have inadequate food and nutrition
- 160,000 children are obese
- 60,000 children have asthma



# Dallas Fire and Rescue

- \$250M annual operating budget
- 83% of calls for service are not fires



# Dallas Fire and Rescue

First line of defense in health care

- 1,200 highly-trained paramedics
- 43 ambulances
- 202,000 runs a year
- 69,000 runs to Emergency Rooms
- Average cost is \$1575



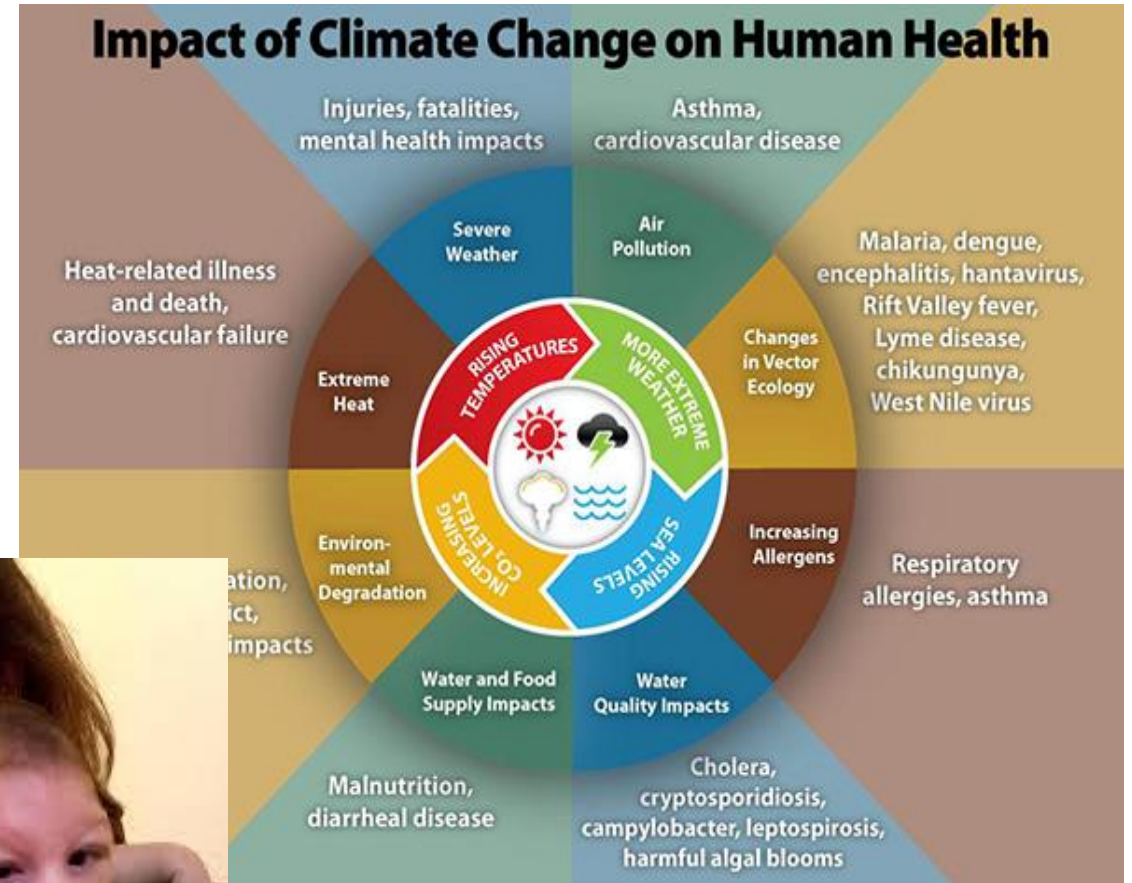
# Health Deserts

60% of Emergency Room visits could be more appropriately handled by a primary care physician





# Is Dallas vulnerable to a disease outbreak?



# Discovery Area – Public Health

How can Dallas make a meaningful contribution to improving public health outcomes for Dallas residents?

What are the opportunities for partnerships and collaborations to improve public health outcomes for Dallas residents?

# Proposed Diagnostic Questions

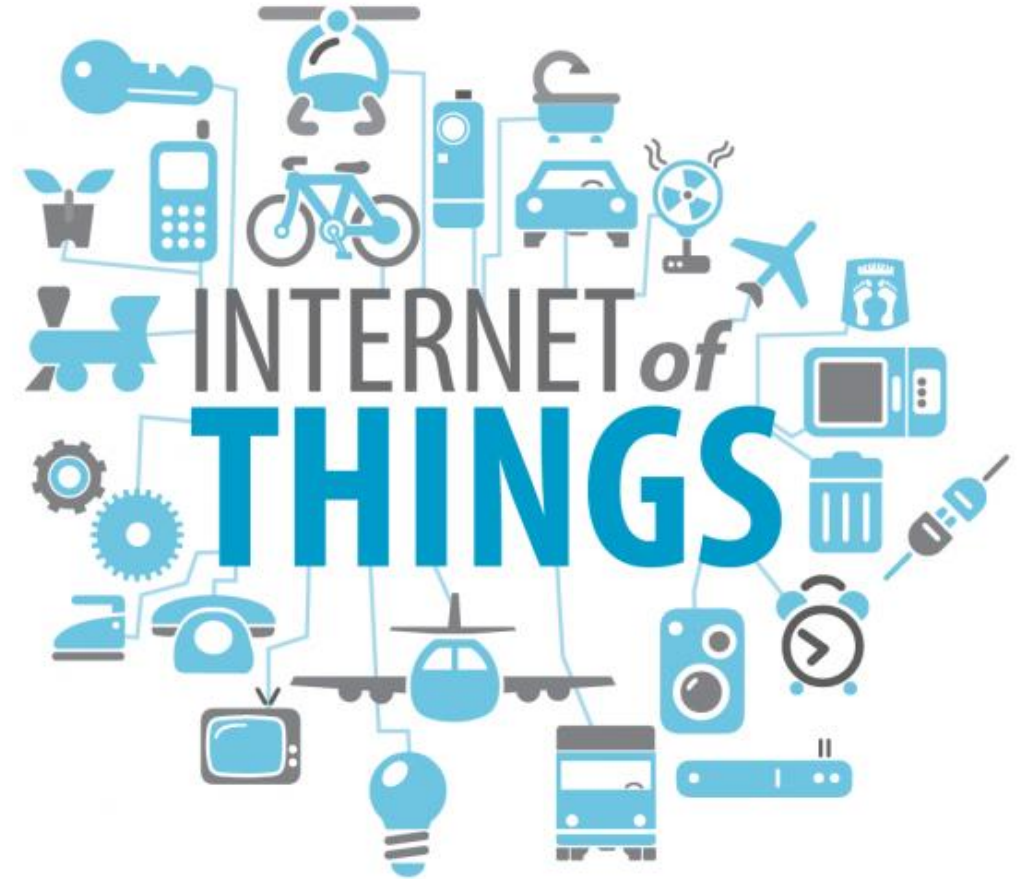
- How can our resources and assets be used to improve health care literacy in neighborhoods with inadequate health care services?
- How can emerging best practices, such as those in tele-medicine and virtual care, be utilized in areas with inadequate health care services?

# The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Infrastructure



# The Internet of Things (IoT)

The network of physical objects—devices, vehicles, buildings and other items—embedded with electronics, software, sensors, and network connectivity that enables these objects to collect and exchange data.



# The Edge in Amsterdam



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# Sensors in bridges and infrastructure

Is this the 'safest bridge in America?' - CNN.com - Google Chrome

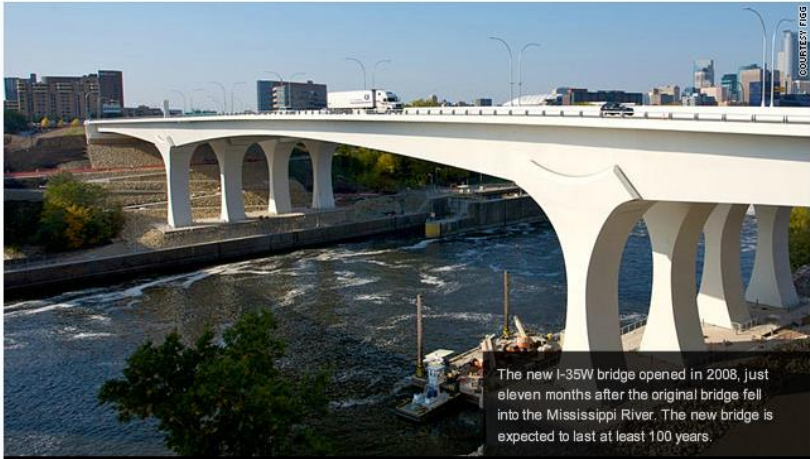
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Part of complete coverage on **BUILDING UP AMERICA**

## Is this the 'safest bridge in America?'

By Thom Patterson, CNN  
October 15, 2010 7:23 p.m. EDT | Filed under: **Innovation**



The new I-35W bridge opened in 2008, just eleven months after the original bridge fell into the Mississippi River. The new bridge is expected to last at least 100 years.

**New I-35W bridge: Minneapolis, Minnesota** HIDE CAPTION

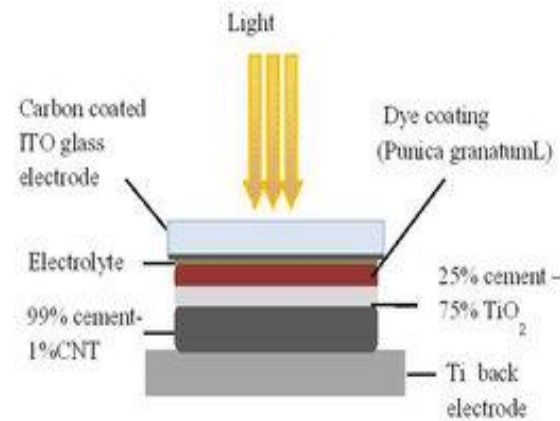
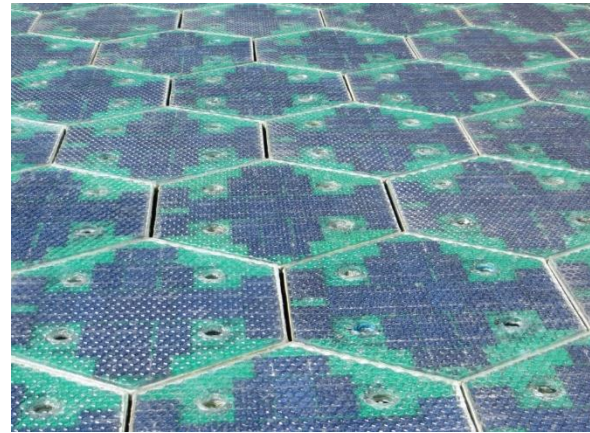
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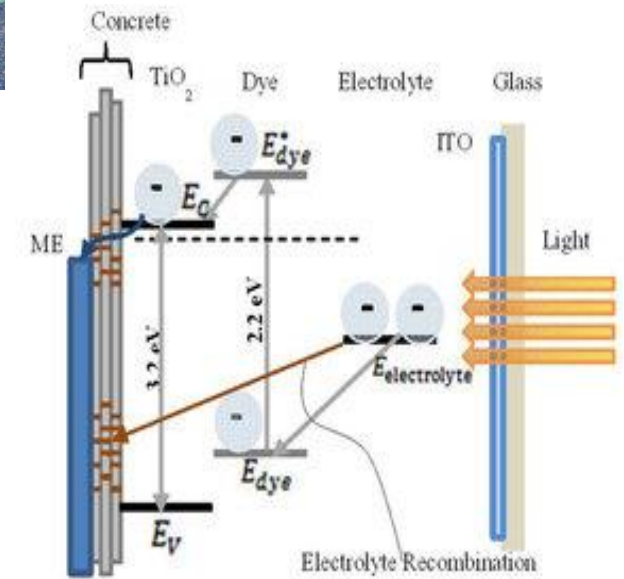
# Solar Energy



Solar Panels



German researchers studying photovoltaic concrete





# Proposed Diagnostic Questions

- What is the 21<sup>st</sup> century standard for basic infrastructure in Dallas neighborhoods?
- What are the long-term financial commitments, funding mechanisms, and policies necessary to build and maintain a 21<sup>st</sup> century Neighborhood Standard?
- How can city and other governmental resources be prioritized and strategically deployed to serve as a catalyst for private investment and development?

# Proposed Diagnostic Questions

- How does climate change affect our most significant natural resources and other critical infrastructure, such as the Great Trinity Forest, flood control systems and water resource supply?
- What are the latest studies, best practices, and emerging technologies that Dallas can examine to understand how our natural and built environment must adapt to the changing climate?



# Progress towards Urban Mobility



# Mobility options are expanding

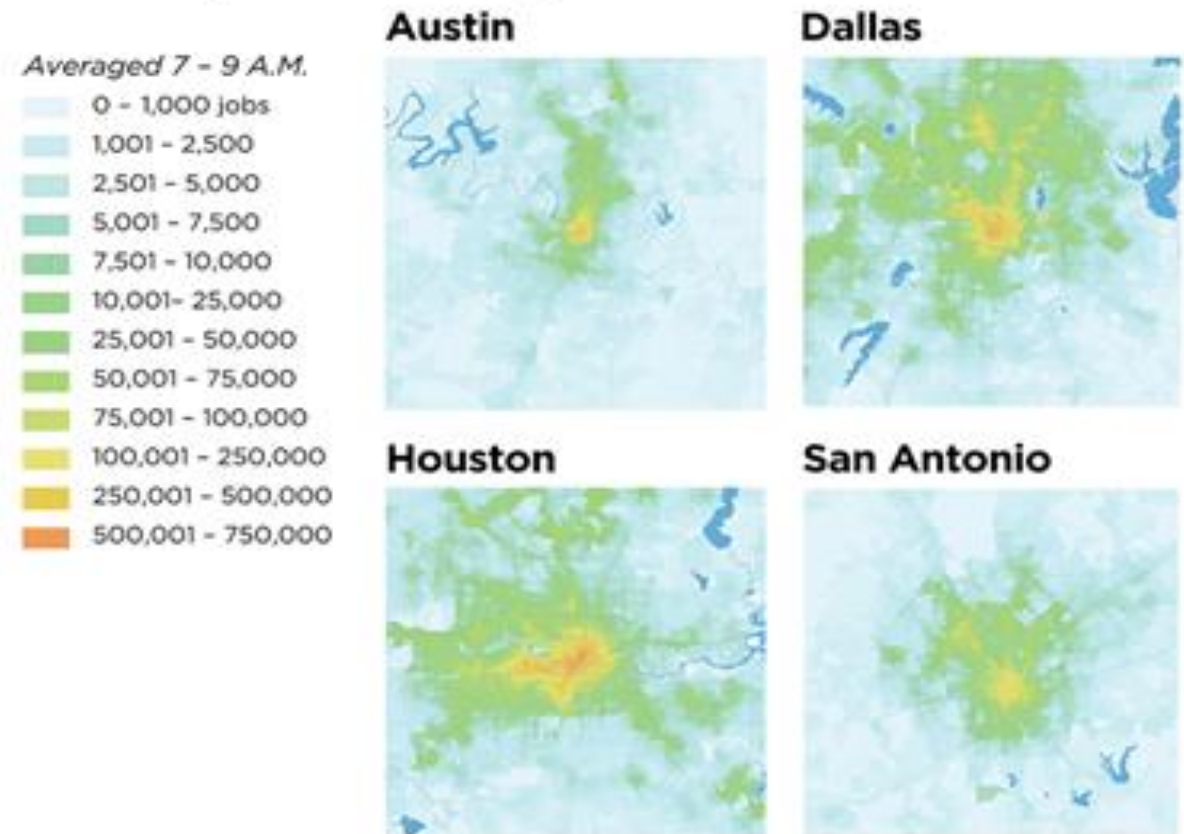


# Mobility, Jobs and Housing

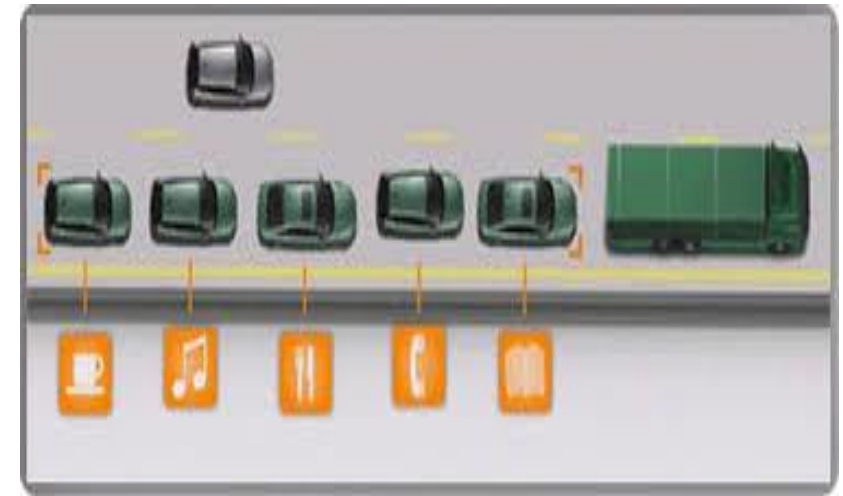
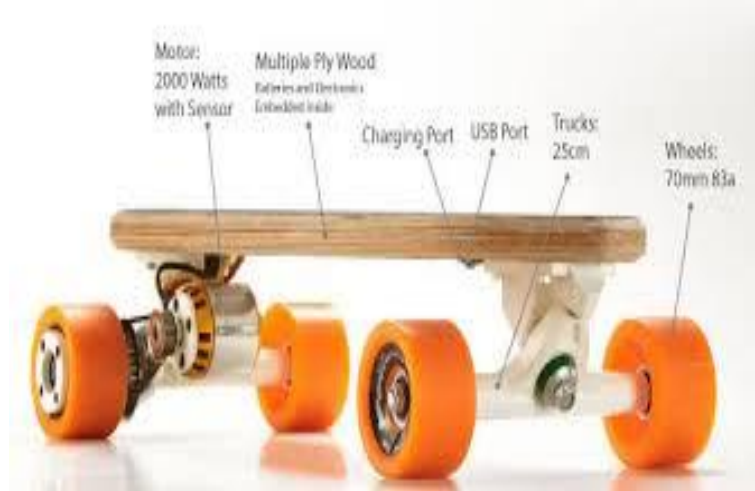
- The Metroplex ranks 5<sup>th</sup> nationally in jobs
- Less than 20% of jobs are accessible by transit in less than 90 minutes
- More than 70% of HUD assisted properties are considered **unaffordable** when housing costs and transportation costs are combined

## Jobs within 30 minutes by transit

Most of Dallas' jobs accessible by transit within 30 minutes are in downtown and surrounding areas, though some suburbs have job centers near public transportation routes. But while the Dallas-Fort Worth region as a whole ranks fifth nationally in terms of the number of jobs, it ranks 21st in how many of them can be reached by transit in under one hour.



# Defining a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Urban Mobility



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# Role of Technology in Mobility

## THE INTERNET OF CARS



**1** You call your (autonomous driving) car to pick you up



**2** You enter your destination and are dynamically routed to work based on traffic flows through the system



**4** You are connected to everything you need while you travel in a car personalized for you



**3** Your car travels down an automated roadway with platooned vehicles



**5** You are dropped off at the doorstep and the car parks itself



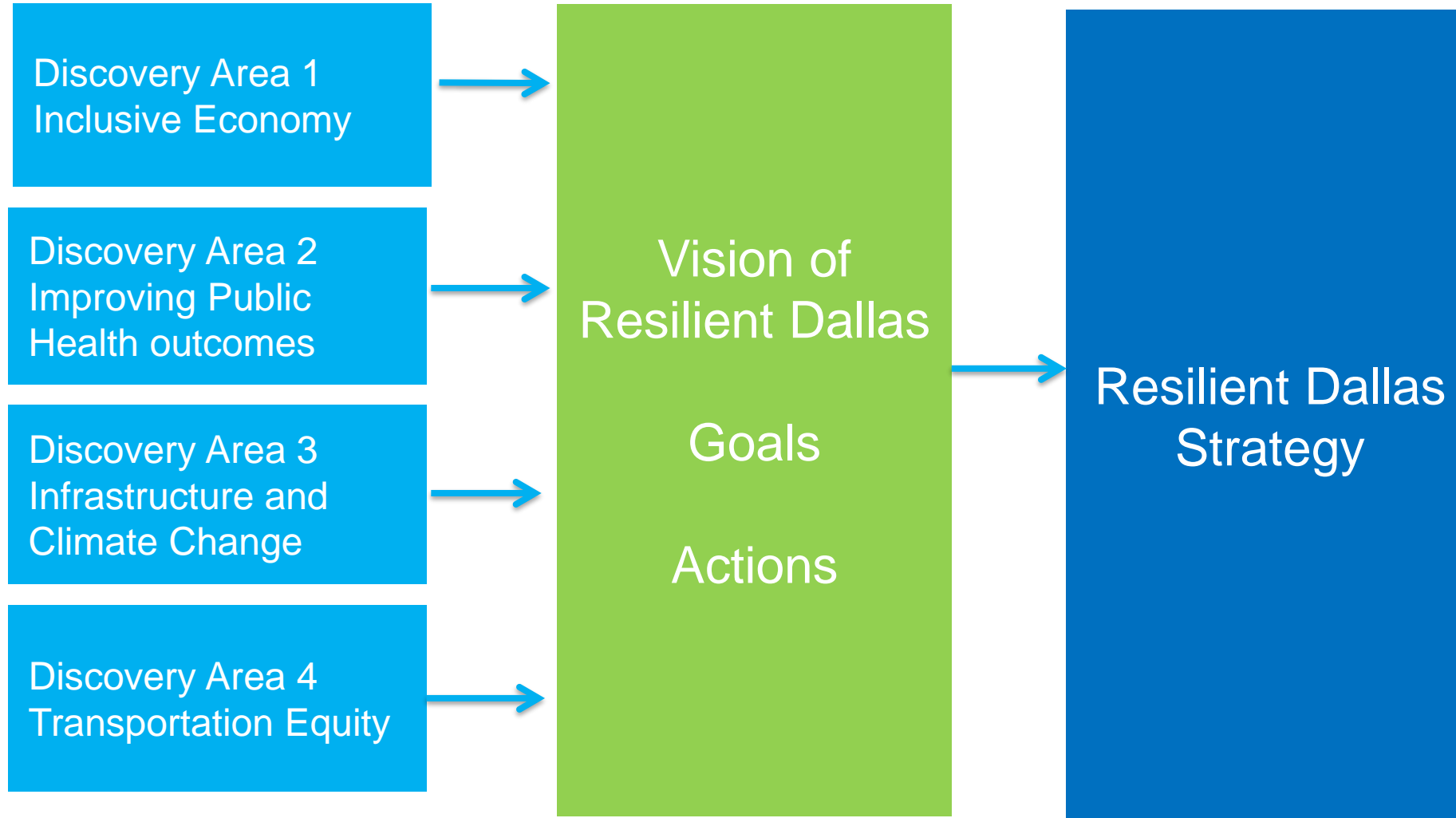
# Discovery Area – Urban Mobility

What is the 21<sup>st</sup> century Urban Mobility for Dallas and the Metroplex?

How can we leverage the regional transportation investments to build mobility infrastructure, expand mobility options, improve transportation equity?



# What happens during Phase II?



# Phase II - Leadership and Workgroups

- **Building an Inclusive Economy**  
Office of Economic Development and Housing Department
- **Improving Public Health outcomes**  
Office of Emergency Management and Dallas Fire and Rescue
- **Infrastructure and Climate Change**  
Public Works and Office of Environmental Quality
- **Transportation Equity**  
Transportation Planning and DART

# Discovery Areas

## Possible methodologies and approaches



- **A facilitated focus group.** Understand the public perception and current status of a particular stress or shock
- **Expert consultation.** Seek external research and analysis
- **Data gathering or interpretation.** Synthesis and analysis of existing data and facts
- **Scenario or situational analysis.** Test a hypothesis to identify and refine choices
- **Comparative analysis.** Study best practices from regional or global examples
- **A time-bound study.** Longitudinal study of a risk or a hazard assessment

# Next Steps

- Work with 100 Resilient Cities to refine Discovery Areas and Scope of Work
- Identify research methodologies, technical assistance, and partners for each Discovery Area
- Convene Stakeholder Group for each Discovery Area
- Goal is to complete study and develop recommendations by the end of the year

# Get involved!

- If residents or organizations would like to contribute their time, resources or expertise to a Discovery Area, please let us know
- Help us identify other people or organizations that should be involved
- Please complete the survey

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# Appendix

## Discovery Areas and Strategies for other 100 Resilient Cities

City	Discovery Areas
Berkeley	Build a Connected and Prepared Community
	Accerlerate Access to Reliable and Clean Energy
	Adapt to the Changing Climate
	Advance Racial Equity
	Excel at Working Together within City Government to Better Serve the Community
	Build Regional Resilience
Norfolk	Design the Coastal Community of the Future
	Create Economic Opportunity by Advancing Efforts to Grow Exisiting Industries and New
	Advance Initiatives to Connect Communities, Deconcentrate Poverty, and Strengthen

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New York	Our Growing, Thriving City
	Our Just and Equitable City
	Our Sustainable City
	Our Resilient City
Porto Alegre	Dynamic and Innovative Ecosystems
	A Culture of Peace
	Risk Pervention
	Quality of Mobility
	Land Legality
	Participatory Budgeting and Resilient Management



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New Orleans	Adapt to Thrive: We are a city that embraces our changing environment.
	Connect to Opportunity: We are an equitable city.
	Transform City Systems: We are a dynamic and prepared city.
Vejles	A Co-creating City
	A Climate Resilient City
	A Socially Resilient City
	A Smart City