

LIVABILITY STUDY

WHAT IS LIVABILITY?

Livability refers to the quality of life as experienced by the people who live, work, and recreate in a community. In a transportation context, livability refers to improvements in public space that increase safety and access for all users of the transportation system. Livability study areas include several District neighborhoods and are conducted with a system-wide perspective to evaluate traffic safety and recommend improvements. At the end of the study, DDOT will provide recommendations addressing such issues as:

- Enhancing transportation safety,
- Improving pedestrian crossings and sidewalks,
- Improving the bicycle network,
- Making intersections safer,
- Improving driver signage,
- Making bus stops more accessible, and
- Incorporating milestones consistent with Vision Zero.



Livability studies also align with Mayor Bowser's Vision Zero Initiative, which has an objective to reach zero fatalities and serious injuries to travelers of the District's transportation system by 2024