### Partnerships of Regional Events

Arlington Entertainment District:
Phase 2 (MLB All-Star Game 2024) and Phase 3 (FIFA World Cup 2026)

Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Wings Over Cowtown Air Show (April 2024)

**Public Meeting** 

January 8, 2024

**North Central Texas Council of Governments** 



## Arlington Entertainment District: Phased Approach for Partnership & **Improvements**

Expand partnerships/stakeholder coordination

Update needs and priorities

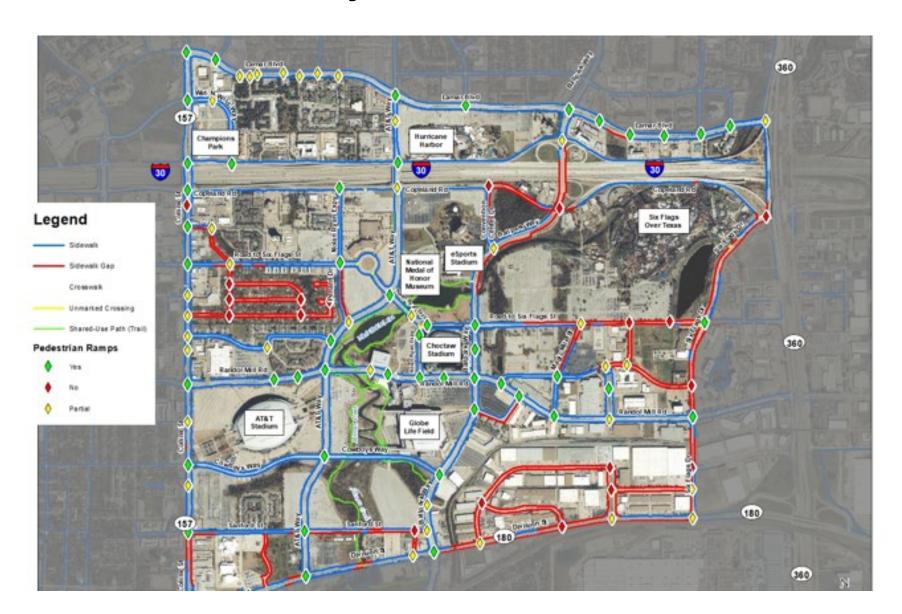
Phase 1 Implementation: National Medal of Honor Museum (RTC Action – Jan 12, 2023)

Phase 2 Implementation: Large scale event (Major League All-Star Game 2024)

Phase 3 Implementation: Large scale event (World Cup Soccer Game (FIFA) 2026) – including DOT ask

Phase 4 Implementation: Beyond 2026

## Project Area



## Funding Needs and Strategies

- Operations (\$6M): Dynamic Message Signs, software improvements, traffic signal enhancements, fiber, and Traffic Management Centers (TMC) modifications
- Transit (\$3M): Trinity Railway Express (TRE) Station Improvements, bus staging, and enhanced transit capacity

 Streetscape/Safety (\$8M): Sidewalks, lighting, crossing improvements, and wayfinding/signage

• Total: \$17.5M

- Funding between NCTCOG and City of Arlington
  - Randol Mill Exchange of Funds
  - Up to \$17.5M in local funds available for exchange of federal funds
  - Interim asphalt overlay needed (\$3.8M) Regional Toll Revenue (RTR)
- Operations for TxDOT/NCTCOG (\$750K): Regional Dynamic Message Signs

# Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base (NAS JRB)

Wings Over Cowtown Air Show (April 2024): Spring 2024 Air Show (Blue Angels confirmed)

Estimated over 150-180K Spectators Each Day Over Two Days

Transportation Challenges with Access of SH 183

Transportation Challenges with Parking

Additional Transit Capacity Needed

#### Areas for Assistance

- Parking: On-base; Regional Park and Ride Lots; Ridgmar Mall
- Traffic Analysis: Base Circulation and Security Protocols
- Increased transit support
  - Trinity Metro Route 91 connections to base entrance
  - TexRail North Side Stop
  - TRE downtown (stations)
  - Connections to and from Ridgmar Mall
  - Charter Service/Buses from regional park and ride lots
- Total: \$250,000 estimated costs



## Next Steps

- Regional Transportation Council approval of funding
- Agreements being put in place between the City of Arlington and NCTCOG
- Meetings with the City of Arlington occurring to develop a schedule for improvements
- Continuing to pursue federal funds from USDOT (vehicles)
- Subcommittees being formed for transit, operations, aviation, safety, etc. for FIFA World Cup
- Waiting to hear final details of Dallas-Fort Worth games
- Working with Naval Air Base on Preparations for April 2024 show

## **Questions?**

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