

# Grandview/ċuuqinak'uuh Elementary

## YEAR 2 FOLLOW-UP REPORT SCHOOL ACTIVE TRAVEL PLANNING



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### 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2013-14, Grandview/¿uuqinak'uuh Elementary School (Grandview/¿uuqinak'uuh) participated in the City of Vancouver's School Active Travel Planning (SATP) program. This program is a partnership between the City and the Vancouver School Board and involves other local stakeholders including the Vancouver Police Department, Parking Enforcement, HUB, and HASTe. The SATP program directly supports the goals of the City of Vancouver's long-term transportation plan, Transportation 2040. The plan seeks a city-wide shift towards sustainable travel modes, with an overarching target of two-thirds of all trips by 2040 to be made on foot, bike or transit. To support this, Transportation 2040 sets out a series of actions to achieve this target, including school-related actions to:

- 1. Provide high quality walking and cycling routes to and from school; and
- 2. Educate and encourage active and safe travel to school.

This report is the second document produced as part of the Grandview/¿uuqinak'uuh Elementary School Active Travel Planning (SATP) program. During Year 1 (the 2013-14 school year), an initial report and an Action Plan were developed to gather information and guide Grandview/¿uuqinak'uuh's SATP process. During Year 2, the documents were updated to incorporate new information and to create this supplementary follow-up report.

#### School Travel Patterns

- 51% of students walk to school and 32% are driven
- Since Year 1, there has been a 12% increase in students using active transportation modes (walking, cycling and transit) to school

#### Transportation Challenges

The Year 1 travel plan identified the following transportation challenges in this area:

- Pedestrian visibility and comfort in the school zone along Woodland Drive between E 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and E 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Pedestrian visibility and comfort at Woodland Drive and North Grandview Highway

#### **Key Action Items**

To address the identified challenges and achieve the SATP goals, the City of Vancouver has completed or is planning the following infrastructure improvements around the school (to be complemented by ongoing education and encouragement programs) (see Figure ES1):

- Installed school zone sign for eastbound traffic on North Grandview Highway (Completed).
- Install east-west crosswalk on the north side of Woodland Drive at E 5th Avenue • (Completed).
- Improve Woodland Drive and N Grandview Highway intersection (Anticipated). •



Figure ES1 - Map of Infrastructure Improvements

Anticipated improvements



Intersection improvements



Signage improvements