



# Community Planning Charrette

February 26-29, 2024

You're invited to join us during the Community Planning Charrette for the **Riverbanks Community Mobility Plan!** This charrette is our team's weeklong effort to learn about the study area, meet with community members, and develop the plan and its recommendations. There are three major opportunities for the public to get involved in the planning process during the week.

## Public Kickoff Meeting

**Monday, February 26**  
5:30-7:00p

**Dutch Square Mall**  
421 Bush River Road  
Columbia, SC 29210

*Use the Mall Main Entrance on Bush River Road*

Come meet our project team and learn about the project! See what we've learned about the study area and help us fill-in the gaps. This meeting will include an introductory presentation followed by a chance to speak with our team about your vision for the future of Riverbanks.

## Pop-up Open House

**Wednesday, February 28**  
6:00-7:30p

**Logan Elementary School**  
815 Elmwood Avenue  
Columbia, SC 29201

*Use the Entrance on Lincoln Street*

We want to make sure as many people are included as possible. The Pop-up Open House will be an opportunity for those that missed the kickoff meeting to get caught up and preview some early ideas from the planning team's work during the week.

## Plan Concepts Open House

**Thursday, February 29**  
5:30-7:00p

**Dutch Square Mall**  
421 Bush River Road  
Columbia, SC 29210

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This is our capstone event for the week. Come see our ideas and concepts for the Riverbanks Community Mobility Plan. Give us your feedback and help shape the plan that will be created from the work we completed and the conversations we shared during the entire week.

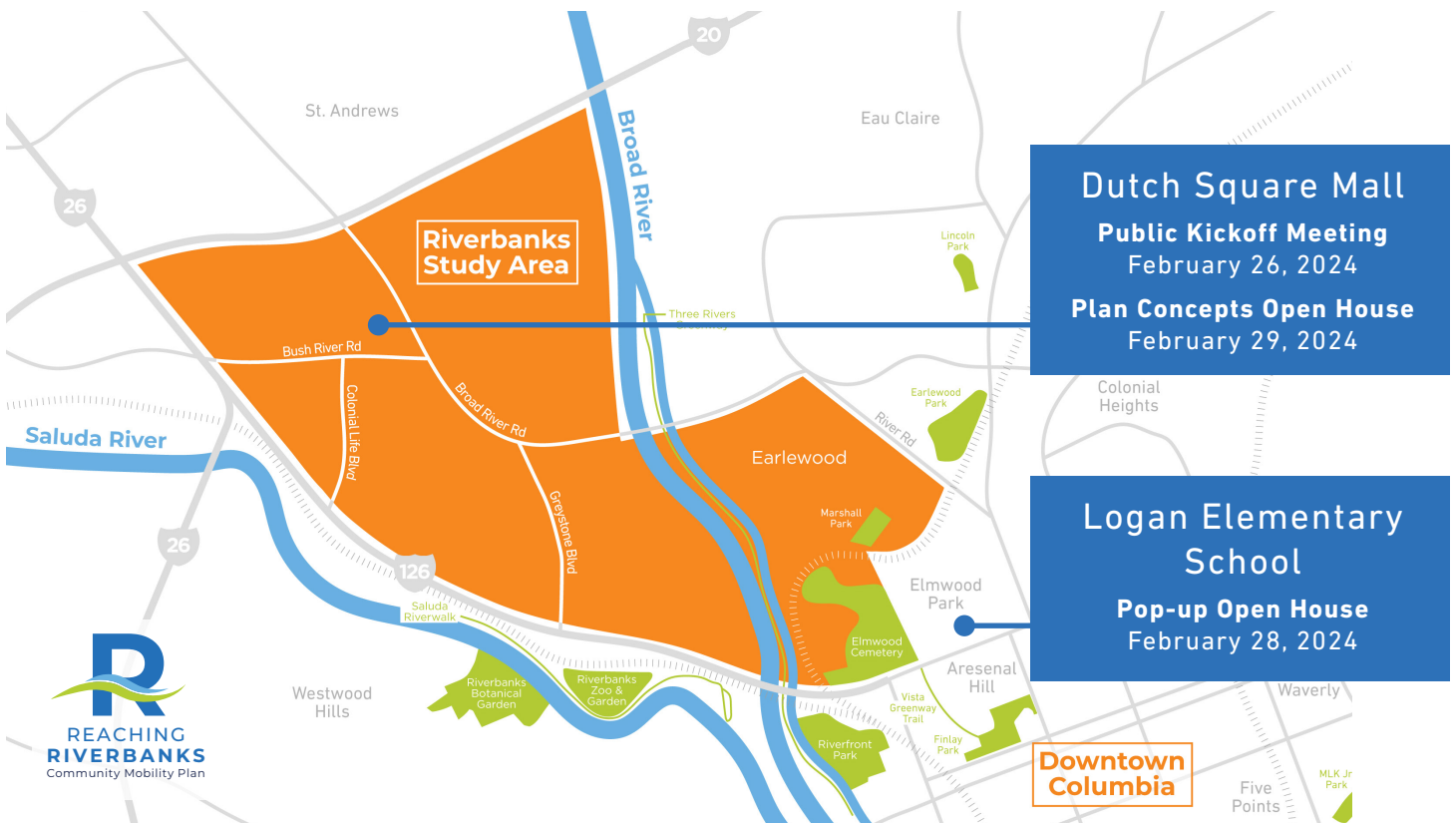


## Why is the Riverbanks Community Mobility Plan?

The Riverbanks area of northwest Columbia is looking to the future to be better prepared for the possibility of substantial new growth and development. The goal of the Riverbanks Community Mobility Plan is to prepare the area's infrastructure, chiefly its transportation systems, and land use policies to direct this growth in a way that benefits existing and future residents. These transportation and land use decisions will be guided by a visionary planning process that begins with understanding the people and places that exist in this area today and then works with community members to create a vision for the place Riverbanks should become. The goal is to create new relationships with the area's riverfront, surrounding neighborhoods, and Downtown Columbia that expand mobility options for all residents.

## What is the study area?

The study area for the Riverbanks Community Mobility Plan sits at the convergence of the Saluda and Broad Rivers and Interstates I-20, I-26, and I-126. It is a short distance northwest of Downtown Columbia and includes the Earlewood neighborhood and Elmwood Cemetery to consider the larger study area's transition and access to downtown. It includes notable destinations such as the Dutch Square Mall, H. E. Rhame Elementary School, St. Andrews Middle School, and the COMET facilities on River Drive and Lucius Road.



## About the Project Team

This plan is being led by the Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG) in partnership with the City of Columbia and Richland County supported by their consultant team of Toole Design, BAE Urban Economics, and Planners for Environmental Quality (PEQ).

To learn more, visit the project website: [centralmidlands.org/riverbanks-community-mobility-plan](https://centralmidlands.org/riverbanks-community-mobility-plan)  
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