

## RESULTS FROM THE MAY 9, 2015 COLONNADE FITNESS DAY OPEN HOUSE

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The Colonnade Fitness Day open house was held on Saturday, May 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30. A tent and tables were set up on the grassy area near Lakeview Boulevard and adjacent to the main entrance plaza for the I-5 Colonnade Open Space. Total registration was 64; an undetermined number of additional attendees did not choose to sign in.

On a common piece of butcher paper, anyone could write down the ways in which they currently use the space and their suggestions for its improvement. Each received adhesive dots which they could use to mark their activities and suggestions.

On this page are the activities reported by the participants. On the next page are their suggested improvements and the number of votes they cast for each improvement.

### HOW DO YOU USE THE I-5 COLONNADE OPEN SPACE?

<b>Activity</b>	<b># participating</b>
Stairs--walk or work-out	13
Trail run	6
Walk	2
Off-leash area	2
Parkour	1
Stretching	1
Yoga	1

## WHAT IMPROVEMENTS DO YOU SUGGEST FOR THE COLONNADE AREA?

Improvement	# votes
Restroom / fresh water	30
Lighting	27
Landscaping/art (make space less scary)	14
Trail connections with Capitol Hill, South Lake Union, and Downtown	12
Space for yoga classes or stretching	10
Trail running (concrete free)	10
Art/column murals	9
Chin-up bars	6
More garbage and recycling cans	6
More paved sidewalks	5
Additional parking spots	5
Safer crossing of Lakeview Blvd. at E. Blaine St. (signage/lighting)	4
Sidewalk on E. side of Lakeview Blvd. between the Blaine and Howe St. stairs	4
Parkour improvements	4
Social seating	4
Open edges for visibility + better daylight	3
Spaces for yoga classes	3
Basketball hoop and half-court	2
Bike lane	2
Cubbies for jackets + water bottles	2
Exhaust pollution mitigation	1
Extend Blaine St. stairs to enable a loop in Colonnade like the one uphill	1
Gathering/meeting multi-use spaces along Lakeview	1
Noise mitigation	1
Reflective dots on vertical side of steps	1
Way to record sets of stair repeats	1
Keep dogs on leash while on the stairs	1
Graffiti paint-out day	1
Plants and flowers	1
Activities along Lakeview for everyone	1

The following suggestions were too lengthy to include in the table: (1) Improvements for outdoor fitness such as waist-high walls; concrete walls; and railings rather than chain-link. (2) Lights along stairways and landings; underneath Colonnade and along a new pedestrian path; and the Lakeview Blvd. underpass. (3) Sculpture or mural on Lakeview Blvd. underpass that creates either reflection of light back into park or appears to extend the park. (4) In a portion of the Colonnade, assign each column for painting by a different artist.