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Strathcona County Accessibility Framework update

October 17, 2023

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Background

Q2 2018

Council establishes Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC)

Q2-Q3 2022

AAC encourages a comprehensive county-wide approach to accessibility at Priorities

Administration recommends an Accessibility Framework

Q1-Q2 2023

Project launches

E-scan

Administration confirms a corporate-wide endorsement of scope and project goals

Department champions identified

Q3 2023

Internal working group launches

Department level conversations

Targeted community partner conversations

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Framework purpose

- A guiding document for all departments
- Identify key principles, priorities and responsibilities to increase accessibility to County programs, services and infrastructure
- Improve coordination and planning across County departments

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Strategic alignment

Healthy & Safe Community

A diverse, welcoming, inclusive, and an accessible community for all

Responsible Development

Investment in our infrastructure that supports development and complete communities

Municipal Excellence

Optimal use of resources that meets the community's needs

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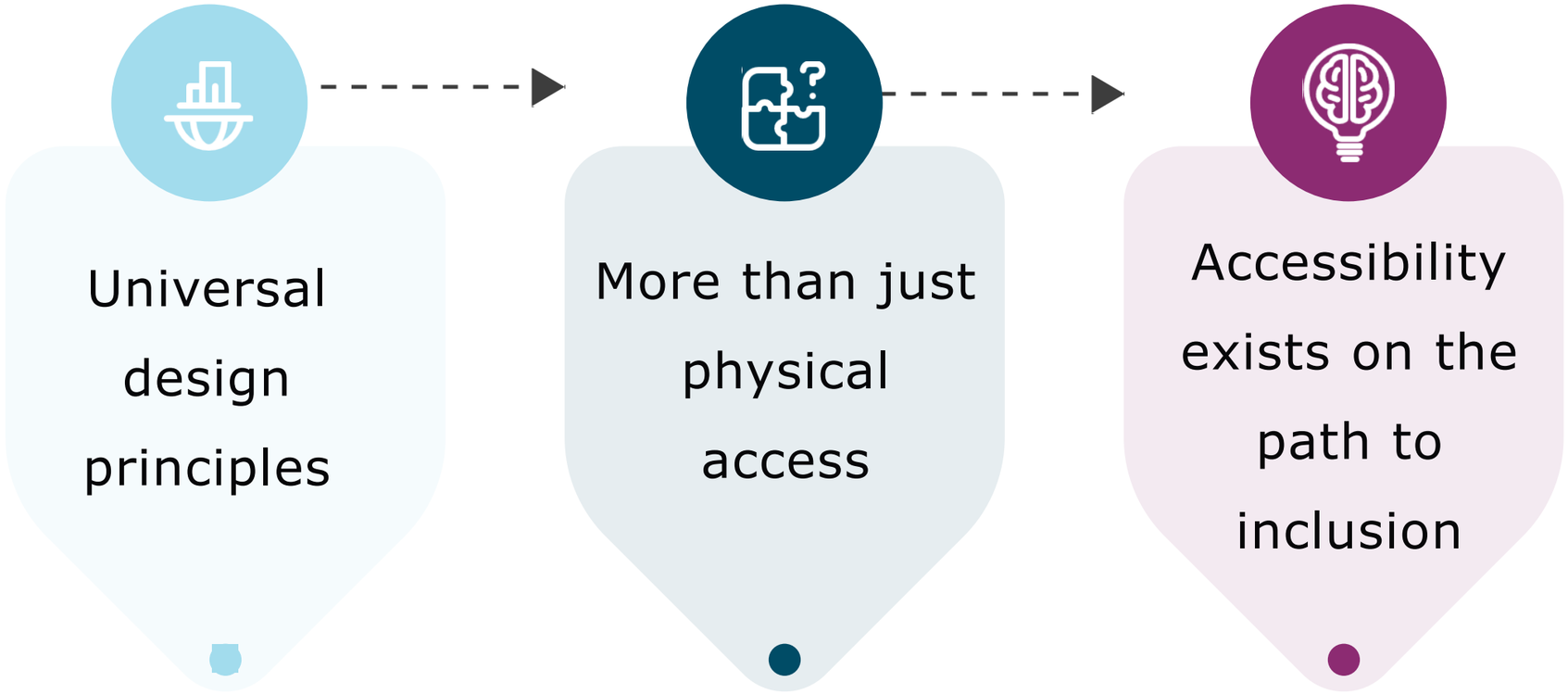
Toward inclusion for all



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Project timeline

Q2 2023
Working group launch

Q3 2023
Department level conversations

Q4 2023
Analysis

Q4 2023
Framework draft

Q2 2024
Final product

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Leading practices underway

Bus stop pad upgrades

Transit

Aimfree accessibility audits

Recreation, Parks & Culture

Document accessibility standards

Financial & Strategic Services

40+ current, planned, or ongoing accessibility initiatives across all County departments

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Next steps

Learning

Accessibility training provided to Internal Working Group members +1

Understanding

An in-depth understanding of the daily experience of those with lived experience of disability in the County

Framework development

Bring together research, the knowledge developed with the working group

Report back

Report back to Council in Q2 2024

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Thank you

What have you heard from residents about accessibility?

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