I'm writing in my capacity as the Juneau coordinator for AARP and working with Julius Adolfsson, Alaska DOT&PF's statewide bicycle and pedestrian coordinator. On behalf of AARP Alaska we would like to invite you to a Mendenhall Valley Walk Audit Training and Complete Streets Workshop hosted by AARP Alaska and America Walks, August 8-9. **Please see the invitation below, contact me with any questions and let me know if you will be able to participate. Feel free to share this within your respective networks.**

Join AARP Alaska on August 8th and 9th for the Mendenhall Valley Walk Audit Training and Complete Streets Workshop at the Huddle in the Mendenhall Mall Annex.

Facilitated by America Walks, this education and advocacy-oriented event will address pedestrian safety and mobility challenges in the neighborhoods and business districts abutting Riverside Drive, Mendenhall Loop Road, and Glacier Highway/Egan Road. The agenda will include guided walkability assessments, presentations about street design and speed management, and smallgroup discussions focused on developing a community vision for a more inclusive and walkable Mendenhall Valley. Workshop participants and target audience will include representatives from the City of Juneau, Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities, other government agencies, residents and local businesses.

The Mendenhall Valley neighborhood has experienced rapid housing, a new transit center, and commercial development in recent years, and public infrastructure for people who walk, roll, or bike has not kept up. This two-day workshop is an opportunity for residents and transportation professionals with an interest in improving safety and mobility to learn about walkable community design and engage in strategic planning activities with public officials.

WHAT: The Mendenhall Valley Walk Audit Training and Complete Streets Workshop WHEN: Thursday, August 8th, and Friday, August 9th (8:30 am – 12:30 noon on both days) WHERE: Mendenhall Mall, 9109 Mendenhall Mall Road, Suite 9 in The Huddle Conference Room, Juneau, AK 99801 (In the Annex at the end near Riverside. Enter at the door marked Northern Bible Church or the main door to State Farm and Alaska State Elections.)

We hope that you will be able to join us for this community event to help make Juneau streets and sidewalks safer and more accessible to community residents and visitors.

Please RSVP or for Questions contact Linda Kruger 907-957-0335 <u>lindalaska2003@gmail.com</u>

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