

# Dale City Small Area Plan

## External Stakeholder Meeting Notes

January 18, 2019

### Green Infrastructure:

#### Strengths:

- Neabsco Greenway is a great community asset
- Strong indoor active recreation (ice center, rec center, ball fields etc.)
- Existing tree canopy in residential neighborhoods
  - The tree canopy has filled in well, but might need some attention/management

#### Weaknesses:

- The Neabsco Greenway and its trail system is not complete
- Outdoor recreation fields could use improvements/upgrades/more of them
- Poor connectivity (roads, trails, sidewalks, etc.) between neighborhoods
- Lack of trail markings and signs

#### Opportunities:

- Consider stream restoration credits to incentivize private property owners to make green infrastructure improvements
- Utilize powerlines for connectivity, especially trails
- Improve trail connectivity to existing neighborhoods and along the Prince William Parkway
- Improve trail markings/signs
- Consider a recreational campground facility with shuttles connecting throughout Dale City
- Improve streetscape trees and plantings (especially in commercial areas)
- Civic spaces and pocket parks in key locations, gathering spaces
- Parks next to the Prince William Ice Center could use upgrades/improvements
- There is an opportunity for green infrastructure/landscaping along major roads
- Complete the Neabsco Greenway network
- Active recreation component, enhance corridors with recreation, cultural, and outdoor spaces with local accessibility so people living in Dale City don't need to leave for these services
- Design of connectivity is important, be creative

- Maintain and beautify neighborhoods

**Threats:**

- None identified

**Cultural Resources:**

**Strengths:**

- Presence of cemeteries throughout Dale City
- The Americans in Wartime Museum is planned at Dale Blvd/Gideon Dr

**Weaknesses:**

- Need improved connections to the Americans in Wartime Museum (transit, walking/biking, etc.)

**Opportunities:**

- Consider Dale City as an example of a post WWII planned community
- Take a closer look at cultural/historic resources in Dale City and consider how to connect and/or improve them
- Consider utilizing the Historic Commission as a resource/for assistance in exploring Dale City's cultural/historic resources

**Threats:**

- None identified