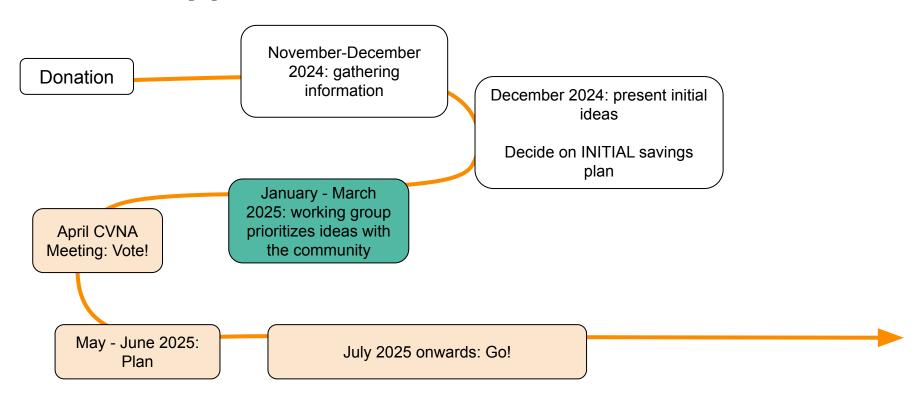
# CVNA Prologis Funds

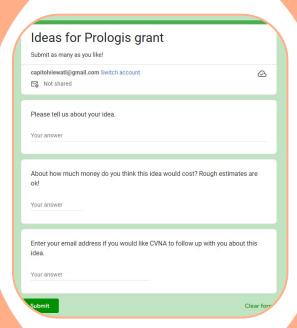
Results from your submissions, Nov & Dec 2024

# What's going on?

- 1 CVNA received a donation from Prologis in the amount of \$75,000
- The Board collected ideas from residents about how they want that donation used.
- 3 Sharing updates to members at the January 2025 CVNA Monthly Meeting

### What happens now?





#### What we did

- 1. Electronic survey
- 2. Submissions during CVNA meetings
- 3. Submissions to dropboxes spread throughout the neighborhood (thanks, Block Captains!)



CVNA secretary **Emily** and Block Captain **Maggie** analyzed the responses. We created summaries of these major themes:

1. Managing the donation responsibly

2. Improvements to Perkerson Park

3. A dog park

4. Improving safety and quality of life in Capitol View

5. Public arts & engagement

6. Supporting our neighbors

## Managing the donation responsibly

Many recommended that we <u>invest the money</u> in the **market** or an account with a **good interest rate**. This could be done with any portion of the donation.

Some suggested we <u>retain legal counsel</u> for zoning and environmental issues, or to hire a financial planner. Estimates for these ideas ranged from \$1000-\$5000.

One person suggested that we join the <u>Community Action Labs Program</u> offered by Strong Towns. This is a **bigger investment than \$75k** but we might be able to leverage our donation.

Finally, one person suggested we establish a <u>land trust</u> to try and ensure **affordable** housing in the neighborhood.

## Improvements to the parks buildings and amenities:

- More bathrooms
- Performance stage with electrical outlets for events and performances
- Better playground equipment (note: Friends of Perkerson Park may already have money for this)
- Skate park
- Exercise equipment

## Improvements to the landscape of the park:

- Erosion control throughout the park
- Rehabilitating eroded areas
- Flower beds and more engaging landscaping, particularly at entrances





Many neighbors recommended an off-leash fenced dog park within Perkerson Park



- Hiring a security patrol
- Installing **security cameras/traffic cameras** at high-risk intersections
- Speed bumps, particularly on Dill, Sylvan, and Harte
- **Signage** both static and digital to discourage speeding
- Bike lane infrastructure and improvement along Dill
- Tree trimming along roads, power lines, and over roofs
- Adding (or removing!) stop signs along Sylvan
- SIDEWALKS

#### 4. Quality of Life - Engagement

- "Welcome to Capitol View" signs were a popular suggestion
- Signs to direct people toward MARTA, the park, etc.
- Planters and landscaping in public spaces
- Trash cans
- Board for public announcements and neighborhood updates
- More little free libraries

#### Space for community engagement and enjoyment

- Benches, including additional ones for Capitol Gateway residents.
- Outdoor space with string lights and pleasant landscape for community gatherings.
  - (could this go in the garden or by the proposed stage in the park?)
- Sculptures and art installations in communal spaces.
- Activities for seniors.
- Utilizing the fireplaces in Perkerson Park as a destination for art installations, gatherings, and fundraising. Allow these pieces to be centers of community.

#### 6. Supporting our Neighbors

#### **CVNA Cares and similar ideas:**

- Scholarships or book funds for CVNA students to continue their education
- Funds to support residents
  experiencing financial hardship,
  like to temporarily cover rent or
  mortgage

#### **Other ideas:**

- Organizing regular craft or farmers markets
- Supporting local tradespeople
- Mini-grants that residents can apply for to undertake projects throughout the neighborhood
- Small loans to local small businesses
- Focusing repair efforts on properties most affected by Nabisco/Prologis [presumably in addition to any mitigation already underway]

## Considerations

Roles

What is CVNA's responsibility?

The City's, State's, or someone else's?

Timing

What can we do right now?

What will take time to plan?

Resources

What additional resources might we need?

What other resources could we use?

Our Voices

How can we all use our voices most effectively among the neighborhood, city, state, or other community?

## What happens now?



## **Prologis Working Group**

- Open to all residents
- Goal: gather context for ideas
  - What ideas can we partner with the City of Atlanta, Department of Transportation, or others to fund and complete?
  - What additional resources might be needed?
  - What will each idea cost?
- First meeting XX, 2025 at Black Coffee.
  - Potential for 3-4 meetings before April CVNA meeting vote

# Thank you!

We appreciate your thoughtful input.