

REPORT OF MEETING

PROJECT:	I-84 Danbury Project State Project No. 34-349 – Exit 3 through 8, Danbury, CT
LOCATION OF MEETING:	Kennedy Park Danbury, CT
DATE OF MEETING:	Thursday, August 24, 2018, 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM
SUBJECT OF MEETING:	Pop-Up Event No. 3 – Downtown Chowdown

1. MEETING ADVERTISING

The Project Team advertised the Pop-Up event in the following ways:

- Telephone and email correspondence with CityCenter Danbury staff, who relayed event information on its website and social media postings for the event.
- Posting the event details to the Upcoming Events page of the project website, www.i84danbury.com.
- Posting the event details to social media (Facebook and Twitter) prior to the event.
- Installing a large banner with the project name and logo emblazoned on a table skirt at the booth.

2. MEETING OVERVIEW

The Pop-Up event took place on Thursday, August 24, 2018, from 11:30 AM to 2:00PM. The event included a booth with a tent and table set up alongside other Downtown Chowdown vendors.

Two project team members from CDM Smith, Sharat Kalluri and Windsor Francis, staffed the I-84 Danbury Project booth. They encouraged Downtown Chowdown patrons to visit and discuss their experiences with and perceptions of I-84 in Danbury.

16 individuals stopped to learn about the project, many left names and email addresses to subscribe to receive future project news and updates via email blast. Topics discussed included:

- Interchanges of Route 7 and I-84, and associated merges, weaving, and other traffic operations
- The impacts that highway traffic has on local businesses, as explained by a local business owner
- Project plans, timeline, and funding
- Potential effects that highway construction will have on nearby local roads
- Exit 6 operations, issues, and opportunities, including
 - Adding an Exit 6 eastbound off-ramp
- The need to finish other large-scale projects (I-84 Waterbury) before embarking on new work in other areas
- Highway design, markings, and signage

The project team encouraged the attendees to visit the I-84 Danbury website and learn more about the project and watch for news about future events.

Various informational handouts were offered to visitors, including:

- The first issue of the I-84 Danbury Project newsletter (available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese)
- Four (4) Fact Sheets about various topics, including: Project Overview, Traffic and Commuting, Community Connectivity, and The Environment (available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese)
- Four (4) boards about various topics including: Project Goals and Objectives, Project Facts and Figures, Project Map, and Project Timeline
- Project business cards with CTDOT Project Manager contact information