

## What is Livability?

Livability is a term that refers to community quality of life as experienced by the people who live, work, and recreate there. In a transportation context, livability refers to **improvements in public space that increase safety and access for all users of the transportation system.**

## What is a Livability Study?

Livability study areas include several DC neighborhoods and are conducted with a system-wide perspective in mind. Livability studies seek to calm traffic and recommend improvements. Recommendations for intersections and streets are developed to provide solutions that do not shift the problem to adjacent blocks or intersections. Livability studies include robust public outreach with the goal to ensure residents support each recommendation. Each livability study is informed by the unique needs of the neighborhoods that make up the study area, and the approach of each study is shaped by these needs.

