SABA'S EVENTS CALENDAR

The SABA calendar is the place to go to get the latest info on what's going on as we work to make bicycling safer in the Sacramento area. We are always looking for volunteers, so go to this calendar for one-stop volunteer shopping. We appreciate it! Check it out here.

We wanted to send a big shout out to our friends at Mike's Bikes for being such big SABA supporters. For the past two years, Mike's Bikes has donated bicycles and gear to us to for special occasions, which has resulted in happy SABA members. It's organizations like Mike's that help keep SABA rolling. We appreciate you!

Sacramento Transportation Authority Board set for Three Public Hearings on Sales Tax Measure

SABA has been an active member of SacMoves/SMART (a coalition of organizations) working to inform the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board with a coherent policy framework for the sales tax measure that is heading to the ballot next fall. We are supporting transit and a pot of money for bike/ped projects so that more people feel comfortable leaving their cars at home and moving around using alternative modes of transportation.

The next three STA meetings are February 5, 13, and 19. We expect that the primary purpose of the Feb 5 meeting will be to hear the results of the Air District and SACOG's analysis of vehicle miles traveled (VMT), greenhouse gas (GHG), and air quality impacts of the major projects in the draft expenditure plan.

Attached is a flyer that outlines what we are supporting; if you have time to attend one of these hearings, the STA Board should hear from you. Transportation is an important form of urban planning and this tax measure will lay the foundation for what the Sacramento region looks like for the next 50 years. You
Even if you can’t attend a February STA meeting, we urge you to join us and learn more about this as it continues to gain traction. You can find information on our policy framework, op-eds, gatherings, and why this is important by joining this facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1012985222384978/.

Bikes from Kaiser
Team-Building
Making Kids Happy in 2020

On Monday, January 27, SABA spread some more love with the remaining Kaiser team-building bikes from last fall by delivering them to the Union Gospel Mission on Bannon Street in Sacramento. Bill Leddy, SABA’s Bike MD Coordinator, and Julie Kanoff, SABA’s Volunteer Coordinator, dropped the bikes off in a truck loaned to us for the occasion (thanks, Rick!). The new and colorful bikes were met with awe by mission staff who promised to keep them safe until they could be distributed to their needy clients in the following days. Moms and their kids come to the mission in search of clothes and items that are tough for them to purchase. One lightly used adult bicycle was also donated and that bicycle will be raffled off among the many adults in need of transportation.

The Union Gospel Mission provides a wide range of services to the needy and homeless and part of that mission includes providing transportation in the form of bicycles for school children and adults. Interestingly, Kaiser also supports the Union Gospel Mission with a grant to improve the health of their residents. The Kaiser team-building bikes have now come full circle. There is no better way to improve one’s health than ride a bike! Thank you yet again, Kaiser Permanente Northern California!

Two Rivers Trail Update

The Two Rivers Trail will come before the Sacramento City Council on Tuesday, Feb. 4 to certify the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and approve preliminary design plans for segments 3–6 of the Two Rivers Trail Project.

The Two Rivers Trail Phase II will create 2.4 miles of paved walking and biking path along the south side of American River Parkway near River Park. It closes a crucial missing link in Sacramento’s bikeway network between the American River Parkway bike trail and the Midtown Grid by creating a continuous, car-free route for biking along the south side of the river. Opponents of the Two Rivers Trail want the City Council to keep the trail from being built. You can help by testifying at Tuesday evening’s City Council meeting at 5:00 PM.

Come and testify in support of the Two Rivers Trail at the City Council Meeting at City Hall (915 I Street, Sacramento) on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at 5:00 PM. We expect the meeting to be crowded with people who are against the project, so plan to arrive early to get a seat!
early and let your voice be heard in favor of an important link in Sacramento’s bike network and walking trail.

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Like what we’re doing? Please consider becoming a SABA monthly donor. Whether you commute by bike or just ride for the sheer fun of it, your gift will support our efforts to make the Sacramento region a safer place for everyone to ride!

Read more about everything we're doing on our website.