Advocacy Update: Slow Streets in Sacramento

Slow Streets have been implemented in cities worldwide to support the health and well being of residents as they continue to navigate the pandemic and its effect on their lives and those of their children. The most successful models employed in cities all have some form of neighborhood ownership and most have experienced community engagement. And yet, here in Sacramento, Slow Streets are nowhere to be found.

So let's urge our city council members to make them a priority. We are asking you to let your city council member know that you want to have Slow Streets in your neighborhood, and for them to allocate monies from the CARES Act to make them a priority. For everyone's health and well being, and for the environment, Slow Streets are a valuable and inexpensive way to support residents as they go about their days during Co-vid19.

Here's what you can do:

1. Get in touch with your City Council member.
2. Send them an email, personalizing the template provided to help get you started.
3. Read up on Sacramento's work to date on Slow Streets.

Natomas Main Ave Bridge Closure

Vehicles Take Alternate Routes

Bike Access across Del Paso/Main Ave Bridge in Natomas

*Main Ave/ Del Paso Rd Bridge* crossing over the Natomas East Main Drain Canal is closed to vehicular traffic now through 9/4/20 due to levee improvement work in the Natomas Basin. Vehicles must use a detour, but bikes and pedestrians can use the crossing.

Visit [NatomasLevees.com](http://NatomasLevees.com) for detour info.

BikeMatch News

Last week we were able to make a few young girls very happy. Our BikeMatch master of ceremonies, Bill Leddy, was connected to a friend who works with new residents in Arden Arcade. SABA had
received a number of kids’ bikes that found new homes with Sharara, Nastaran and Sana, who are so happy not to have to borrow their brother’s bike any longer. BibiMaryam (age 6) was so delighted with her new bike that she wanted to pay for it with all the money she had saved – $1. We told her to keep saving for the next bike she would need when she gets older.

Thanks to everyone who has donated bikes to our BikeMatch program. You are making a difference in the lives of adults and kids who need a bike and that makes the world a better, happier place!

Good news!
The City of Sacramento has a new Bike Map! Find it here and figure out new ways to connect neighborhoods and places. Learn more at SacramentoBikes.org and get out there and adventure in your city!

On the Bookshelf: What We're Reading

The Unrealized Potential of New York City’s Open Streets

Merchants in Motion: The Art of Vietnam’s Street Vendors, Loes Heerink, Visionary World books.

B is for Bicycle, Scott & Jannine Fitzgerald, BuddyPegs, LLC

If you're reading something interesting, share it with us!

Like what we're doing? Please become 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!

Stay up to date on everything we're doing on our website.

Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates is a 501c3 nonprofit organization (ID# 37-1474544). Your donation is tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.