# GEARD UP!



# ACTION ALERT! Save ATP funding!

There is no deficit in California's transportation budget, yet, Governor Newsom cut almost \$600 million from the Active Transportation Program (ATP) in his draft budget. The ATP funds projects that make biking and walking safer and more appealing, advancing the infrastructure changes needed to combat climate change.

Sacramento's changes in street infrastructure are largely funded through programs such as the ATP. With cuts like these, it will make grants even harder to pull down with increased competition for fewer

dollars. That means much MUCH slower progress in changing our deadly streets into safe streets for all users.

#### The Active Transportation Program needs more funding, not less.

- The ATP already turned away many worthy biking and walking projects because of a lack of funding, even before this cut.
- Interestingly, the governor's budget doesn't cut funding for climate-killing highways.
- California can afford to fund the ATP. With rising climate chaos, we can't afford not to spend money on active transportation.

Last year, the governor tried to cut the ATP, and the legislature restored the funding. It only takes a minute, so please tell your representatives we need them to protect active transportation.

If you already sent an email about the ATP cuts, please take a moment to <u>email Senator</u> <u>Ashby and Assemblymember</u> McCarty. The situation has changed and **we need a strong show of support for active transportation funding**.

Spread the word! Tell your friends, forward this email, we need a strong showing of support!

#### Tell the Legislature to Restore full ATP funding

...and while you're at it... Weigh in on the City's Budget



The *City of Sacramento's* 2024/25 fiscal year begins July 1st. Budget discussions are being held NOW and are focused on closing a forecasted \$66M deficit.

Be part of the discussion! What cuts are reasonable/objectionable to you? Active Transportation funding is needed now, more than ever! Click to view <u>upcoming</u> <u>Meetings/Agendas</u>, including budget

discussions on 5/20 and 5/28.

The City Council will formally adopt proposed cuts and cost-savings at the **June 11th** Council Meeting.

## May is Bike Month in Full Swing



We just wrapped up Week 2 of May is Bike Month, and it's been quite a ride! Here are a few of the many bike events that took place:

May 11th

BARC casual ride to lunch at Soil Born Farms in Rancho Cordova SABA Bike Swap & Sale at Two Rivers Cider in West Sac SABA e-bike demo in Placerville Start of Mileage Madness Week Peak Adventures Mural Ride Historic District Bike Tour with the City of Sac

May 12th

3rd Annual Sacramento Kidical Mass Mothers Day Bike Ride & Park Hop at McKinley Park

• Ride Like a Mother social ride at Southside Park

We have so much in store for Bike Month! To view more, visit <u>SABA's events page</u>.

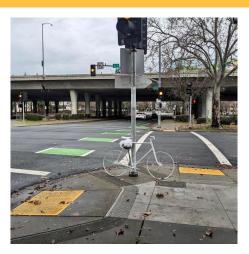


## **Upcoming May is Bike Month Events**

#### **RIDE OF SILENCE**

Join us for a 12-mile, casual-pace bike ride through Downtown, Midtown, and East Sacramento. This solemn ride pays tribute to cyclists lost on our roads, with three stops at Ghost Bike locations. The estimated end time is 9:30 pm.

Date: Wednesday, May 15 Time: 6:30 pm Meet-up; 7:00 pm Roll-out Location: State Capitol Park Rose Garden



#### BIKE TO WORK (or Wherever!) DAY

Visit the SABA popup tent on your way to WHEREVER this Thursday. Spin the prize wheel to win Bike Month Swag (register on <u>May Is Bike</u> <u>Month.com</u> to earn a spin). Hosted by Bike Parrtttyyyyy!

Date: Thursday, May 16 Time: 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Location: Guy West Bridge





#### SABA CARGO BIKE "RACES"

Cargo bike races with multiple categories including cargo bikes, ebikes, kids as cargo, and panniers.

Date: Saturday, May 18 Time: 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Location: Township 9 Park



#### VELORAMA

Rack up the miles for Mileage Madness Week from May 11 to 19, then celebrate the winners with us at our VeloRama party, in partnership with <u>REI</u>. Make sure you're registered on <u>MayIsBikeMonth.com</u> to start recording those 'mad' miles!

Date: Sunday, May 19 Time: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Location: 2568 Industrial Blvd #110



#### **BARC FEST**

Celebrate Bike Month with the *Bicycle Advocates for Rancho Cordova* (**BARC**) and the **MACC** at the Mather Light Rail Station. Enjoy a live Latin band, taco vendor, Kona Ice, face painter, info booths, and the Upcycled Art exhibit!

Date: Friday, May 24 Time: 4:00 pm – 7:00 PM Location: 10191 Mills Station Rd (Mather Light Rail Station)





### **Ride Ready Repair Clinics**

We are offering free "pop-up" bike repair clinics around Sacramento through the month of May. Don't miss a chance to get your bike road-safe in time for your favorite Bike Month activities! Visit our **events calendar** for upcoming dates and locations.

Questions? Ping Robert.

We're hiring! If you have passion and interest to make the world a better place through bicycles, then we want to <u>hear from you</u>!

**Bike Valet** 

**Bike Mechanics** 

SABA Bike Valet provides convenient, secure, no-cost bike parking at **Golden 1 Center** events. Find us near *Urban Outfitters*. To



reduce wait times, scan the QR code and digitally sign in while you stand in our queue.

We offer Bike Valet service at various community events, including Food Truck Mania, Farmers Markets, and Concerts in the Park. Check our <u>events calendar</u> for Valet-supported events.



Support SABA today and become an advocate for safe streets.

#### We're working for commuters, recreational riders, students, and seniors.

#### We're working for YOU.

Become a <u>SABA supporter</u> and help us continue offering programs like *Project Activation Meadowview*, social rides, bicycle classes, bike valet, and *Ride Ready Repair* services.

Your support will underwrite our efforts to make the Sacramento region a safer place for **everyone** to ride!







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