GEAR'D UP!





Sacramento grabs 20th spot as the most deadly city in the US for pedestrians and cyclists

Read that again. We are the 20th most dangerous city IN THE NATION for cyclists and pedestrians. The 2024 <u>Dangerous by Design</u> report from <u>Smart Growth America</u> was just released and it is sobering.

The capitol of the 5th largest economy in world rates 20th. It's hard to believe that Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Phoenix, and Dallas (!) all have safer streets than Sacramento, but it's true. Also, the report states,

"within these 101 largest metro areas, 66 percent of all traffic deaths occur on state owned roads." Hey Caltrans, that's you.

The SacBee's excellent reporting on these issues is continuing to bring heightened awareness on the issue. Ariane Lange interviewed Rosa Vega, a Sacramento County Coroner, who says, "...unlike the response to fatal fentanyl overdoses or domestic violence homicides, the people who die in traffic crashes have no serious coordinated public response — the investigation into what happened is siloed....for a deadly public health crisis, it sure doesn't seem to get much official attention."

Sac County has lost 66 individuals to vehicular violence this year alone. This is unacceptable. Our City leaders have done nothing but given lip service to the Active Transportation Commission and the paltry 10 million it is asking for the city to allocate towards policies and practices that would go a long way to reduce the violence on our roads. Let's be clear, we aren't remotely moving towards <u>Vision Zero</u>.

It is time to turn this around. Our streets are a "deadly public health crisis." Here's what you can do:

- 1. Sign the petition authored by our friends at Civic Thread
- 2. Tell your friends to sign the petition too.
- 3. Get mad, but channel your anger into advocacy for change.
- 4. Stay tuned. A coalition is forming and we're going to need your voice.
- 5. Questions? Send them to Deb



\$600 million from California's Active Transportation Program (ATP) is on the chopping block, leaving a two-year gap in project funding. Those funds help bankroll improvements to Sacramento's street infrastructure and progress toward mobility justice. Our climate goals can't wait and if you read the first article, then you know our citizens can't wait. This is life over death.

The Active Transportation Program needs MORE funding, not less!

The ATP has had to reject some amazing biking and walking projects due to limited funds, and that's *before this proposed cut*.

The governor's budget doesn't cut funding for climate-killing highways.

With rising climate chaos, we can't afford not to spend more on active transportation!

Tell your representatives to fully restore active

transportation funding.

If you already sent an email about the ATP cuts, please take a moment to **email Senator Ashby and Assemblymember McCarty**.

We need a strong show of support for active transportation funding- share this email with your community and loved ones!

Tell the Legislature to Restore full ATP funding



Cycling Past 50 Survey

The *Cycling Past 50 Survey– Year 5* is underway! This survey of mature adults, first offered in 2018, seeks insight into your cycling history, habits, and preferences. The survey hopes to grow an understanding of mature cyclist' needs and how those might shape policy, programs, design, and practices. Just 20 minutes of your time to complete the questionnaire will help inform future policies for active transportation.

View the results of the <u>Year 4 Survey</u>, which received nearly 5,000 responses from mature cyclists across Canada and the U.S. Click to take the <u>Year 5 Survey!</u>

Recap Week 4: May is Bike Month!

Here's a rundown of the awesomeness that was the fourth week of Bike Month:



Our *BikU Poetry Contest* winners:

- 1st-Jean Jackman
- 2nd-Molly Mahoney
- 3rd-J. Douglas Wolfe

Congratulations to all of the contestants!



BARC Fest @Mather Light Rail

Super fun evening talking to locals, facepainting, kona ice and May is Blke Month swag!



Folsom To Folsom Ride

We started off with 27 folks at Chocolate Fish on Folsom Blvd., then picked up a few people at William Pond, and the posse rode up to Chocolate Fish Coffee in Folsom! And then EVERYONE rode back to Sac! Woohoo!



Movie Night!

We spent an amazing evening of inspiration, adventure and the challenges of life on two wheels @Pacos Wednesday evening, watching the adventure set of short features curated

by Filmed By Bikes. Heartwarming and exhilarating!



E-Bike Test Rides in Rancho Cordova!

This past Thursday, the SABA E-bike team headed to Rancho Cordova for a May is Bike Month event with the City Staff of Rancho Cordova. We brought out the e-bikes and just about everyone demo'd the fleet. EVERYONE had a great time riding these awesome bikes. Let us know if you'd like us towgork with you!

Wrap Up Bike Month With Us!

It's not over until it's over!

MAY IS BIKE MONTH AFTER PARTY

Bike Month is coming to an end, and what a ride! Join the SABA Team for a decompression session with snacks, drinks, music, and games - you've earned it.

Date: Friday, May 31 Time: 4:00 pm- 7:00 pm Location: 14th & R St (across

from Shady Lady)































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BIKE VALET: CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Concerts in the Park are back (see schedule) and SABA's got you covered with FREE Bike Valet parking. No more stressing over where to lock your bike, or if it'll still be there when you return!

Date: Friday, May 31 **Time**: 5:00 pm -9:00 pm Location: Cesar Chavez Park

MIDTOWN FAMER'S MARKET

We've moved! You can find bike valet around the corner from Pacos on K Street. Drop off your bike and get those Saturday AM errands run at the Farmer's Market. We'll have your bike waiting for you.

Date: Every Saturday through the summer **Time**: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Location: 2010 K St.

We're hiring! If you have passion and interest in making the world a better place through bicycles, then we want to hear from you!



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 **events calendar** 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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Find out how your organization or business can help make Sacramento the best place to ride a bike. Join us!

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