

GEAR'D UP!



Time to Join SABA – Become a Member!

We're having a membership drive! If you haven't already, now is the time to [join SABA](#). If you've been on our social rides, or attended our events, or left your bike at bike valet or had it repaired at a Ride Ready Repair event, then now is the time to give us some love.



Your membership provides us with a stable monthly income to continue to bring you services and events and help improve cycling in underserved areas of Sacramento.

As a member of SABA, you will:

1. Be a part of the group making Sacramento a safer place to bike.
2. Help grow our network of low-stress bike lanes around town.
3. Support our programs such as Upcycle, Learn to Ride and Ride Ready Repair.
4. Get VIP Bike Valet access at all events where Bike Valet is set-up.
5. Get access to early bird pricing on Velo Ball and other SABA events.
6. Be invited to members only SABA events, such as Members Only Social Rides, or SABA Meet-ups and others.

[Join now](#) and attend our membership meeting at SABA HQ on September 10, 6:30–8:30PM. If you are a current member of SABA, please join us for the meeting. If you are unsure if you are a member, then please be in touch – membership@sacbike.org.

SABA Wins Grant for the Safe Routes to Schools Program

Safe Routes to School is a program dedicated to providing safer routes for students to walk and bike to school. When children walk or cycle to school, it improves their self-confidence and academic performance; they get more

physical exercise and have lower rates of obesity. In the long run, getting children and parents to rely on walking and cycling instead of cars leads to less traffic and improved air quality and creates healthier, more sustainable communities.



SABA received a grant from Sacramento County to conduct the safety program at local schools in the Bell Avenue and Elkhorn Blvd neighborhoods.

More about Safe Routes to
Schools

SABA Honored by City of Sacramento



SABA is proud to be one of 30 nonprofits honored by Sacramento Mayor McCarty as a [2025 Nonprofit of Distinction](#).

Sacramento has nearly 15,000 nonprofits that contribute to making the region a great place to live.

SABA staff, including bicycle repair managers Robert Christiansen and Mike Price joined Executive Director Debra Banks at the ceremony this week.

Events

Black Food Festival – Sunday, September 7

Take a spin on SABA's e-bikes and learn about the CA E-Bike Incentive Program in-between experiencing all the delicious vendors at [Black Food Fest](#)!

When: Sunday, September 7, 12pm–6pm
Where: 2251 Florin Rd, Sacramento

Vendors will be there with spicy, sweet, savory food.



Learn to Ride, September 13 & 27



SABA's Learn to Ride classes take place September 13 and 27 from 9–11am at Miller Regional Park, 2701 Marina View Dr, Sacramento 95818. In parking area to the north, closer to Broadway.

Classes are for both adults and children and for beginners or those seeking to brush up on their cycling skills.

[More information and how to register](#)

Social Ride – Mountain Biking at Deer Creek Hills, Sunday, September 14

Join Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates and [Sacramento Valley Conservancy](#) for a scenic group ride through oak woodlands at Deer Creek Hills Preserve!

[More information and to register](#)

The entry fee is \$10. *We'll have more details soon.*



Sustainable Transportation Fair, September 17

Join SABA's e-bike testing and outreach at the [Sustainable Transportation Fair](#). This is an event dedicated to promoting sustainable commuting options and raising awareness about sustainable transportation. Local vendors and transportation



organizations will be on hand to share information about alternative travel solutions.

Wednesday, September 17
from 11am–1pm – 1300 L
Street in Sacramento

Week Without Driving – September 29–October 5

Week Without Driving was created so that those who have the option to drive can learn firsthand about the barriers and challenges that nondrivers face and work with nondrivers to create more accessible communities for all.

You can get around however you want, but the challenge is not to drive yourself in any car.

[Join the challenge](#)

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Tickets Now on Sale for Velo Ball 2025 – October 18



Get your [tickets](#) for the best bike party in town.

When: October 18, 2025 6:00PM – 9:00PM

What: Food, drinks, a live auction and FUN!

Where: [Pintworks](#), on 16th Street, behind Pipeworks climbing gym

Buy a
Ticket

Cycling and Public Transportation in the News

- [City Joins "Slow the Fast Down" Campaign to Reduce Speeding in](#)

Sacramento, *Sacramento City Express*, August 15, 2025: The City of Sacramento, alongside state and local partners, is taking action to address one of the most dangerous problems on our roads — speeding.

- [A simple trick can save pedestrians' lives. What's Sacramento doing about it?](#) by Ariane Lange, *Sacramento Bee*, August 19, 2025: A study of 6,003 New York City intersections showed that when pedestrians are given a head start before the light turns green for drivers, crashes that injure pedestrians significantly decrease.
- [New report shows a continued lack of accessible transportation leaves millions of Americans behind](#), by Aparna Paladugu, Ride with Via, August 22, 2025: The National Council on Disability recently issued a comprehensive report on the current state of ground transportation for people with disabilities, just in time for the 35th anniversary of the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- **Book:** [Dividing Lines: How Transportation Infrastructure Reinforces Racial Inequality](#), by Deborah Archer: Before we can think about rebuilding and repairing, we must consider the role race has played in transportation infrastructure

Ongoing events around town



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.

Bike Valet provides bike parking at many Sacramento events including the new venue Channel 24.

Check our [events calendar](#) for Valet-supported events.

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

Bike Valet

Our Bike Valets are the heart and soul of SABA. We take care of your bike so you can attend an event or a market without worrying about whether your bike will be there when you get back to it.

We could use some more great people who believe in SABA's mission for Bike Valet. So, please [shoot us an email](#).

Bike Mechanics

Our set of bike mechanics are the envy of town.

Basic knowledge is necessary, but everyone is constantly learning on the job and getting better together.

[Find out more!](#) Come learn by doing and earn some dollars too.

If you can't make it to our events, you can still 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 [SABA supporter](#) and help us continue offering programs like social rides, bicycle classes, bike valet, and *Ride Ready Repair* services.

Support our efforts to make the Sacramento region a safer place for **everyone** to ride!

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