

# GEAR'D UP!



## Franklin Boulevard Complete Streets Project

Construction is beginning on the [Franklin Boulevard Complete Streets Project](#).

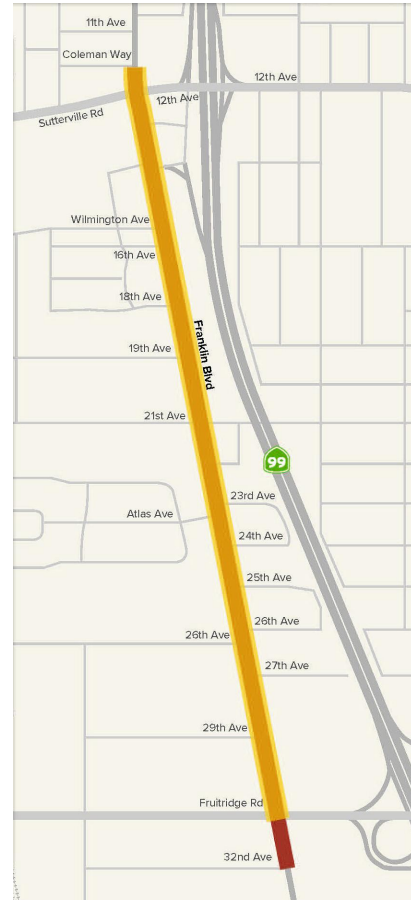
The project will enhance safety and provide a pedestrian, bicycle, vehicular, and transit friendly environment through improved roadway and streetscape designs.

Currently, Franklin Boulevard is a four-lane arterial with limited pedestrian and bicycle amenities, making it a less than an ideal environment for anyone traveling without a car. The final design improves connectivity for all users, improves pedestrian safety and access to businesses, creates safer traffic movements, and new bicycle routes.

Construction starts on Monday, July 28, 2025. To provide crews with safe working space, Franklin Boulevard will be reduced to one lane in each direction.

Residents and businesses will have access to their properties. The community should follow posted detours and plan for delays when traveling through the construction area.

More information in English and Spanish is available on the City of Sacramento's [Franklin Boulevard Complete Streets Project](#) page.



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## All About Advocacy

Keep up to date on [SABA's and other organizations' advocacy](#) around local cycling infrastructure and safety and how you can help.

You can also read this recent article from Clean Technica: [How to Get Wonky in Your Local Bike Advocacy \(and Why You Should\)](#)

And for some inspiration, learn how local advocates changed a Caltrans project: [Adding Bikeways to State Routes: Two Local Advocates Share Strategies for Change](#), from CalBike

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## Learn to Ride a Bike! – For Kids & Adults



Learn how to ride a bike and join a community of cyclists in the Sacramento region, where there are many fun and beautiful places to cycle!

Classes are open to all ages, 5+.

SABA's next cycling class is **Saturday, August 2.**

You'll need to register and sign a waiver.

Learn more and  
register

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## Events

### E-Bike Experience: August 5, 9 & 14



Test ride e-bikes, ask questions and understand what to look for when shopping for an e-bike to fit your needs. Learn about the California E-Bike Incentive Project and see if you qualify for a voucher worth up to \$2,000.

Three events in the next couple weeks:

- **National Night Out** is Tuesday, August 5 from 6:30–8:30 PM at 1390 Swallowtail Ave, Sacramento
- **Veterans Village** is Saturday, August 9 from 12:00–3:00 PM at 3615 Bleckely Street, Mather, CA.
- **Rosa Parks Middle School** is Thursday, August 14 from 4:00–6:00 PM at 2250 68th Ave, Sacramento.

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### Ride Ready Repair at Local Events

Visit SABA's Ride Ready Repair clinics for free bike repair:

- Sunday, August 3, 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM: [Meadowview Farmers Market](#), Meadowview Light Rail Station, 209 River Isle Way, Sacramento
- Saturday, August 9, 10:30AM – 2:30PM: [Oak Park Fix-it Café](#) at Community Shop Class, 3818 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento
- Saturday, August 16, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM: [Rancho Cordova Certified Farmers Market](#) at Sunrise light rail parking lot, 11164 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova.



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## Riding with the Bike Patrol

We had great weather and more than 30 cyclists joined SABA for July's social ride along the American River Trail.

We rode with the [American River Bike Patrol](#) and learned how they patrol trails on a number of bike routes around the Sacramento region.

The patrol provides first aid and basic bicycle maintenance to riders on the trail, as well as directions and information.

See more [photos from the ride](#).

Check our [events calendar](#) for future social rides.



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On the lighter side...



## DOES THE BICYCLE MAKE WOMEN CRUEL?



In the 1890s, cycling gave women more freedom but with an accompanying backlash. Some felt that cycling corrupted women's innocence. See more about women and cycling from the [Library of Congress](#).

## Cycling and Public Transportation in the News

- [Sacramento begins Vision Zero update, launches crash data dashboard](#)  
Sacramento City Express, July 16, 2025: Sacramento is beginning the process to update its Vision Zero Action Plan, renewing its commitment to eliminating traffic-related deaths and serious injuries through data-driven strategies and community input.
- **Webinar:** [Summit Session – Bike Highways: Creating a Path to the Future of Bicycling](#): CalBike is hosting a webinar on bike highways on August 20 at 10:00 AM Pacific which you can register to join.
- **Webinar:** [Quick-Builds in Indian Country: Advancing Road Safety through Community Engagement](#), August 28, 2025 @ 11:00 AM Pacific, from American Walks

## 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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