

**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 SR2S-AC**



MEETING AGENDA

1:30 p.m. - Wednesday, May 15, 2019
Solano Transportation Authority - Conference Room 1
One Harbor Center, Suite 130, Suisun City, CA 94585-2473

- | <u>ITEMS</u> | <u>STAFF PERSON</u> |
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| 1. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/CONFIRM QUORUM
(1:30 – 1:35 p.m.) | Gwen Owens, Chair |
| 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
(1:35 – 1:40 p.m.) | Members |
| 3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
(1:40 – 1:45 p.m.) | |
| 4. COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES
(1:45 – 1:50 p.m.) | Group |
| 5. CONSENT CALENDAR
<u>Recommendation:</u> Approve the following consent items in one motion.
(1:50 – 1:55 p.m.) | Members |
| A. SR2S-AC Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2019
<u>Recommendation:</u>
Approve the SR2S-AC meeting minutes of February 20, 2019.
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| 6. ACTION ITEMS – FINANCIAL | |
| A. None. | |

SR2S-AC MEMBERS

Mitchell Romao
 Vallejo City Unified
 School District

Dan Healy
 Suisun City
 Police Department

Jim Antone
 Yolo Solano Air Quality
 Management District (YSAQMD)

Dave Harvey, Vice Chair
 California Highway Patrol
 (CHP)

Neal Iverson
 STA's Bicycle Advisory
 Committee (BAC)

Sandy Newell
 STA's Pedestrian Advisory
 Committee (PAC)

Garland Wong
 City of Fairfield (TAC)

Gwen Owens, Chair
 City of Vacaville (TAC)

Lisette Estrella-Henderson
 Solano County
 Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Bela Matyas
 Solano County Public
 Health

7. ACTION ITEMS - NON-FINANCIAL

A. None.

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION

A. SR2S Micro-Grant Pilot Program Update Lloyd Nadal
(1:55 – 2:15 p.m.)

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B. Discussion of Proposed SR2S Summit Karin Bloesch
(2:15 – 2:20 p.m.)

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C. Options for Bike Rodeo Event Support Lloyd Nadal
(2:20 – 2:25 p.m.)

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D. SR2S Projects and Plan Update Karin Bloesch
1. SR2S Community Task Force Erika McLitus
2. SR2S Infrastructure Projects – ATP Cycle 2

(2:25 – 2:35 p.m.)

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E. SR2S Program Update Betsy Beavers
Karin Bloesch

1. National Bike to School Day – May 8, 2019
2. SR2S Countywide Safe Routes Events and Participation
3. Bay Area Children’s Theatre “Rock the Block Assembly”
4. Walking School Bus (WSB)/WOW/Walking Wednesday Update
5. 5th Annual SR2S Poster Contest

(2:35 – 2:55 p.m.)

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9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – NO DISCUSSION

A. None.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA Group
TOPICS

(2:55 – 3:00 p.m.)

11. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the SR2S-AC will be at **1:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 21, 2019** at the Solano Transportation Authority in Conference Room 1, located at One Harbor Center, Suite 130, Suisun City, CA 94585.

Meeting Schedule for the Calendar Year 2019

**All meetings will be held at the
Solano Transportation Authority, Conference Room 1
One Harbor Center, Suite 130, Suisin City
Wednesday, February 20, 2019
Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.**

For questions regarding this agenda:
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**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Draft Minutes of February 20, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee (SR2S-AC) was called to order at approximately 1:30 p.m. in the STA Main Conference Room.

SR2S-AC Members/Alternates Present:	Jim Antone Corey Beavers Kerri Gardner David Harvey, Vice Chair Cmdr. Dan Healy Neal Iverson Sandy Newell Gwen Owens, Chair Mitchell Romao Garland Wong	Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District City of Fairfield, Public Works Department Solano County Office of Education California Highway Patrol Suisun City Police Department Bicycle Advisory Committee Representative Pedestrian Advisory Committee Representative City of Vacaville, Public Works Department Vallejo City Unified School District City of Fairfield
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SR2S-AC Members Absent:	Dr. Bela Matyas	Solano County Public Health
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STA Staff Present:	Anthony Adams Betsy Beavers Karin Bloesch Tiffany Gephart Erika McLitus Lloyd Nadal Sue Violette	STA STA STA STA STA STA STA
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Others Present:	Kevin Carella Rachel Dula Stephanie Soto Matt Thomas	Fairfield Police Department FSUSD Facilities Benicia Police Department Fairfield Police Department
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2. INTRODUCTIONS:

Self-introductions were made by attendees.

3. CONFIRM QUORUM

A quorum was confirmed.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

On a motion from Neal Iverson and a second from Jim Antone the SR2S-AC approved the February 20, 2019 meeting agenda. (9 Ayes)

5. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

6. COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Anthony Adams stated that no Solano projects were selected or awarded at the Regional Awards for the Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 4.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR - APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Recommendations:

Approve SR2S-AC minutes of November 20, 2018.

On a motion from Dan Healy and a second from Kerri Gardner the SR2S-AC approved the November 20, 2018 meeting minutes. (8 Ayes, 1 Abstention)

8. ACTION ITEMS – FINANCIAL

A. SR2S Micro Grant Pilot Program

Lloyd Nadal discussed the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) proposal for the Micro Grant Pilot Program to support small-scale projects or equipment that encourage bike and pedestrian usage, and improves bike and pedestrian safety around schools in Solano County. Mr. Nadal stated the total budget to date is \$11,000, with the opportunity to increase the amount with various funding sources per year, and the grants would be open to Solano County cities, schools, school districts, community organizations and youth groups to apply. He further stated that STA Board authorization would be required to initiate the Pilot Program; however, at this time, staff is seeking guidance from the Committee on a process for managing a Micro Grant Program.

The staff received suggestions and feedback from the Committee regarding feasibility process, methodologies, and program implementation.

Recommendations:

Receive feedback from the SR2S Advisory Committee on the feasibility, process, timeline and implementation of the SR2S Micro Grant Pilot Program. If feasible, make a recommendation to get STA Board authorization to initiate the Pilot Program with the policy and procedures input from the SR2S Advisory Committee.

On a motion from Neal Iverson and a second from Kerri Gardner the SR2S-AC approved the recommendation. (9 Ayes)

9. ACTION ITEMS – NON-FINANCIAL

A. None

10. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION

A. SR2S Advisory Committee Bylaws and Role

Karin Bloesch reviewed and discussed the SR2S Bylaws. Ms. Bloesch mentioned new members have been appointed to the SR2S Advisory Committee in recent years and encouraged members to review the Bylaws in order to be familiarized with the Committee's role. She also provided an overview on how projects are recommended and adopted. She mentioned that SR2S is trying to reconvene some of the community task forces as a way to work on updates and identify potential projects and extended an invitation to the Committee to join the task forces. Lloyd Nadal commented on the importance of the Committee's participation and support.

Members suggested that staff update Bylaws periodically with track changes. Members agreed to review and provide modifications to the Bylaws at a future meeting.

B. SR2S Program Update

Karin Bloesch shared the results of the 1st Solano County Pedestrian Safety Symposium held on February 6, 2019. She shared collision data which showed, along with a presentation from Solano County Public Health, a correlation with lower income and disadvantaged communities are in higher health risks. Lloyd Nadal requested feedback and involvement on addressing the issues as a County and suggested doing local campaigns to educate the community.

Student Tally Survey – Tiffany briefly went over the results from Solano Safe Routes to School student travel tally survey. Ms. Gephart shared a general overview on how Solano youth gets to school throughout the County. She specified the percentages for the modes of travel to and from school.

Pilot Evaluation Project Status – Sue Violette mentioned that SR2S has been continuing the SR2S pilot evaluation project with Alta Planning and three schools have been chosen to pilot activities to address bike and pedestrian safety concerns. Ms. Violette stated that this evaluation project will determine which program is suitable for each school and the progress of the activities offered.

The Committee suggested to supplement various local events to get the community engaged and target common mistakes on both ends of the spectrum by motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists, and modify the program and expand safe routes model.

C. Solano Bike Month, May 2019

Karin Bloesch announced that May is Bike Month. Ms. Bloesch stated that BAC and STA staff will develop community rides for schools and communities to participate.

Betsy Beavers stated that Bike to School Day is on May 8th and “Save the Date” cards will be sent out for schools to register and participate. Ms. Beavers mentioned schools that registered for the event will receive free incentive for students and promotional posters. She also announced that Fairmont Charter and Foxborough Elementary will be hosting bike week events.

D. Public Safety Enforcement Grant Update

Lloyd Nadal announced that the fourth cycle of the SR2S Public Safety and Enforcement Grant (FY 2018-2020) was awarded to the Suisun City Police Department and the Benicia Police Department. Mr. Nadal conveyed that SR2S and Community Service Officer of Benicia PD are working together to achieve the goals and objectives of the SR2S program. Commander Healy and Officer Soto provided an update on the various activities and expressed improvements in the areas.

E. SR2S Infrastructure Projects Update

Erika McLitus provided status on current projects funded through Safe Routes to School, and summarized the assessment and construction timeline for the various projects. Additionally, she shared an approved project list for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 9, and Anthony Adams mentioned that over \$4 million of the HSIP grant is directly related to pedestrian safety improvements.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – NO DISCUSSION

A. None

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Micro Grant Update

B. Bylaws Update

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m. The next regular meeting of the SR2S-AC will be at **1:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 15, 2019** at the Solano Transportation Authority in Conference Room 1, located at One Harbor Center, Suite 130, in Suisun City.



DATE: April 29, 2019
TO: SR2S Advisory Committee
FROM: Lloyd Nadal, Program Services Division Manager
RE: SR2S Micro-Grant Pilot Program Update

Background:

SR2S Staff is currently meeting with each city's Community Task Force, working with STA's Planning Department on the Countywide Active Transportation Plan and city staff to identify future SR2S projects around schools. Without a dedicated funding source, these SR2S projects are primarily funded with grants which staff would look to seek after their inclusion in the Plan. As a result, such projects tend to be larger costs with smaller cost projects or capital needs left without a viable fund source.

Based on the needs and feedback from cities and schools for small-scale support, SR2S staff launched a SR2S Micro-Grant Pilot Program to support small-scale projects or capital purchases that encourage bike and pedestrian usage and improves bike and pedestrian safety around schools in Solano County. SR2S staff presented this item at the February SR2S Advisory Committee in which the committee provided feedback on the feasibility, policy and procedures, process, timeline and implementation of the program. They also voted to forward a recommendation to the STA Board to authorize and initiate the Pilot Program this year which was approved at the March board meeting.

The Pilot Program will initially start with a budget of \$40,000 this year with an additional \$30,000 pending from Clean Air Funds (which if approved will increase the total to \$70,000). The grants would be open to Solano County cities, schools, school districts and community-based organizations to apply. These projects could include, but not limited to, installing bike racks and safety-related signage; creating green bike lanes; and providing safety equipment like helmets, vests, reflectors and/or activities that could help improve a school's bike/ped infrastructure.

Discussion:

At the SR2S Advisory Committee Meeting in May, SR2S Staff will present a draft of the program's general terms and application process and seek recommendations from the committee for implementation to begin before the 2019-2020 school year.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding for the SR2S Micro-Grant Pilot Program will come from a combination of HOV fines, TDA and Air District funds. There's currently \$11,000 in HOV fines which is collected each year and approximately \$37,000 in TDA Article 3 funding available. The Solano SR2S Program also applied for YSAQMD Clean Air funds and expected to receive \$60,000 for two years.

Recommendation:

Informational

Attachments:

- A. SR2S Micro-Grant Program Information

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SOLANO SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SR2S) MICRO-GRANT PROGRAM

The Solano Safe Routes to School (SR2S) program is accepting applications for its Pilot Micro-Grant Program for the FY2019-2020.

Who may apply:

Solano County schools, school districts, community organizations or city departments are eligible to apply for funding for small-scale infrastructure projects or capitol purchases to support safe, active transportation to and from school, address safety around schools, or encourage an increase in walking and biking to school.

Amount of funding available:

\$40,000 for the 2019-2020 grant cycle.

Call for Projects:

Micro-Grant applications will be accepted from April 12 – June 28, 2019.

To be considered for funding, the following criteria must be met:

- Demonstrate need
- Schools should participate in the SR2S program currently or be willing to engage in SR2S programming to increase walking and biking
- Present a project that will be implemented/completed **within one year** of grant award
- Demonstrate stakeholder outreach and partnerships for the project
- Provide a summary report after project completion

Additional Micro-Grant information:

- No matching funds required, in-kind services for installation of capital improvements or infrastructure projects welcomed.
- Community groups applying must be registered as a 501c3, and able to provide a W-9.
- Schools eligible for funding: K-12, public, private and charter schools.
- Applicants are eligible for **one** grant award per fiscal year

Eligible Grant Expenses/Requests

Incentive items: (cost < \$10 per item)

Award Certificates

Bike Reflectors

Pedometers

Pencils, Stickers

Punch Card Holders

Reflective Shoe Tags

Reflective Zipper Pulls

Scanning Tags or Punch Cards

T-Shirts

Water Bottles

Equipment:

Bike Helmets (< \$20 each)

Bike Lights

Curricula
(Traffic Safety, Pedestrian/Bike Safety)

Stop Paddles

Bike Locks

Bike Racks

Rain Gear
(WSB/WOW Leaders)

Safety Vests

Bicycle Repair Kits
*(including pumps, tires, tubes,
wrenches, bottle cages)*

Brochures

Safety Cones

The following are ineligible expenses:

Bicycles *(for individuals)*

Food/Refreshments

Staff Salaries

Cameras
(digital, video, helmet)

Gift Cards

Stipends

Application and additional information is available on www.SolanoSR2S.ca.gov

Application/proposals must be received by June 28, 2019 at 5 pm

Applications may be delivered electronically to: solanosr2sinfo@sta.ca.gov

Deliver In Person/Mail:

Safe Routes to School Program
C/O Solano Transportation Authority
One Harbor Center, Suite 130
Suisun City, CA 94585

SR2S Micro-Grant Program Application - Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Project Title _____

Project Location(s) _____

Project Category Infrastructure Non-infrastructure

Applicant Information

City/Agency _____

Address _____ City _____

Contact Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Funding Request

List the funding request, total project cost and any additional funds (matching, outside, or in-kind) available

Funds Requested \$ _____

Additional Funds Available \$ _____ Matching Outside In-kind

Total Project Cost \$ _____

Project Overview – Provide a brief (2-3 sentences) description of the project.

Project Proposal

Attach your full Project Proposal addressing the following elements (one page or less):

- How the project will positively impact bike and pedestrian safety around schools and/or Increase or encourage bike and pedestrian usage
- Equipment needed to complete the project
 - Infrastructure: Bike/Pedestrian signage, poles, paint, etc.
 - Non-infrastructure: printed educational materials, signs, incentives, etc.
- Demonstrate stakeholder outreach and partnerships
- Provide brief timeline for project completion

Project Cost Schedule

Include the funding request and total project cost (include matching and in-kind funding).

Applicant _____

Project Title _____

Budget	Amount Requested	\$ _____
	Additional Funds	\$ _____
	Total Project Amount	\$ _____

Project Timeline	Proposed Start Date	____/____/____
	Proposed End Date	____/____/____

Total Budget Breakdown

	SR2S Micro-Grant	Other Funding	Total
Capital	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Personnel	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Grant Administration	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Totals	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Application must be received by Friday, June 28, 2019 at 5pm

Submit electronically: solanosr2sinfo@sta.ca.gov

Deliver in Person/Mail:

Safe Routes to School Program
 C/O Solano Transportation Authority
 One Harbor Center, suite 130
 Suisun City, CA 94585

Questions? 707-399-3222



DATE: May 3, 2019
TO: SR2S Advisory Committee
FROM: Karin Bloesch, Senior Program Coordinator
RE: Discussion of Proposed SR2S Summit

Background:

In 2013, the Solano Safe Routes to School Program held a Safe Routes to School Summit with the purpose to increase program awareness countywide—making the communities better informed and building advocacy. The summit provided a forum to highlight the achievements/efforts of each SR2S community task force, schools, parent champions and students, as well as to introduce the 2013 Countywide SR2S Plan Update.

Discussion:

As a follow up to the 2013 SR2S Summit and continuing the effort to address Pedestrian Safety in Solano County, the SR2S Program is planning to host a second SR2S Summit in the early fall. This 2019 SR2S Summit will provide the opportunity for attendees to celebrate 10 years of the Solano Safe Routes to School Program by highlighting the 29 SR2S infrastructure projects completed, recognize SR2S Champions at schools and in the community, providing insight to making SR2S a priority in schools, and potentially showcase the partners that make help the SR2S Program successful. An update from the Community Task Force meetings and workshops held at several Solano County cities can be presented, as well as the next steps taken after the Countywide Pedestrian Symposium held in February 2016.

The target audience and invited participants may include city council members, school board members, school principals, parents & PTAs, city staff, public safety staff, and public health staff. The format may consist of breakout sessions and presentations to better understand how schools, cities and districts can help prioritize SR2S involvement and how the SR2S Program can work to address recurring problems such as: tardiness, safe travel to school, vehicle traffic around schools, and help build community within the school.

SR2S staff invites participation by SR2S AC members, ideas from the Committee for agenda elements, as well as ways to encourage, pedestrian and bicycle advocates, school communities, and decision makers to attend.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Informational.

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DATE: April 29, 2019
TO: SR2S Advisory Committee
FROM: Lloyd Nadal, Program Services Division Manager
RE: Options for Bike Rodeo Event Support

Background:

On October 14, 2009, the STA Board authorized the Executive Director into a two-year agreement with the Solano County Department of Public Health (SPH) to provide SR2S program services for education and encouragement events (such as Bike Rodeos) as well as for related vehicle, trailer and material costs. This agreement has been amended each year and both parties recently agreed to a new 3-year contract from 2019-2021. Based on this contract, STA requested a modified scope of work from SPH that aligns more efficiently with the SR2S program's current needs and objectives, provides opportunities for coordination to enhance safety, physical activity, marketing and evaluation using public health principles and adds additional support for classroom education and participating in community events and activities throughout the year. Both parties also agreed that SPH would not manage/deliver Bike Rodeos after June 30, 2019 and SR2S would begin to seek other vendors or options for providing the service.

A Bike Rodeo is a fun, active event for elementary students to learn biking and safety skills in a safe and comfortable environment. Safe Routes to School staff (including Public Health staff) sets up various agility courses on school grounds for students to practice important skills necessary to ride a bike safely and confidently. Staff also inspects students' bikes and makes sure their bike helmets fit them properly. Kindergarten through 6th grade students must be able to ride a bike without assistance to participate. Students should bring their own bike and helmet to the Bike Rodeo, but bikes and helmets will be provided, if needed. Bike Rodeos last 1-2 hours depending on the number of participants. Schools are required to provide 6-10 volunteers to help the event run smoothly

Discussion:

To date, the Solano SR2S Program has executed 60 Bike Rodeos at schools, community events and libraries across Solano County. On average, the program averages 10 Bike Rodeos per year and we're hoping to continue this at the same rate. With Public Health no longer being able to offer Bike Rodeos, SR2S Staff has reached out to potential vendors that can continue to deliver this service. Staff plans to reach out to the Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee and the Bicycle Advisory Committee for recommendations and will also consider options such as offering mini-versions of the Bike Rodeo (that Program Coordinators can lead) or only at community events if a vendor cannot be secured.

Fiscal Impact:

None at this time.

Recommendation:

Informational.

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DATE: May 6, 2019
TO: SR2S Advisory Committee
FROM: Karin Bloesch, Senior Program Coordinator
RE: SR2S Projects and Plan Update

Background:

In 2008, the STA Board adopted Solano's first Safe Routes to School Plan (Plan) and authorized STA staff to create a Safe Routes to School Program in Solano County. This Plan provided the direction for the SR2S Program through 2012 when the STA and the SR2S Advisory Committee began the process of updating the 2008 Plan. The updated Plan was adopted by the STA Board in October 2013 and since then, 29 SR2S projects have been implemented across the County - 7 more are scheduled to be complete through Active Transportation Program (ATP) 2 funding this year. The strong collaboration between all seven cities, school districts, police departments, city engineers and public health has made our SR2S projects more competitive and successful in receiving funds and implementing projects.

In 2018, the STA began development of the Countywide Active Transportation Plan (ATP), this plan will combine Bike and Pedestrian projects into one Countywide Plan. These projects were previously identified in two separate plans. Utilizing outreach events, safety data analysis, meetings with city project and planning departments, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committees' input, a list of potential Bike and Pedestrian infrastructure projects will be developed.

STA and SR2S staff is currently meeting with each city's Community Task Force, working with STA's Planning Department on the Countywide Active Transportation Plan and city staff to identify future SR2S projects around schools to be included in the upcoming ATP. Without a dedicated funding source, these SR2S projects are primarily funded with grants which staff would look to seek after their inclusion in the Countywide ATP Plan.

Discussion:

SR2S Community Task Force

Community Task Force meetings have been held in Benicia in 2018, the cities of Vallejo and Suisun City earlier this year, and a meeting is scheduled for Vacaville in June. At the previous Vallejo and Suisun City meetings, potential projects were discussed. As follow up, staff will meet with the Community Task Forces in these cities to further discuss and prioritize the list of

potential projects for inclusion in the Countywide ATP. Staff will meet with the additional Community Task Forces in Dixon, Fairfield, and Rio Vista to generate a SR2S project list to coordinate with the ATP and work to prioritize the Pedestrian and Bike Projects around schools.

SR2S Infrastructure Projects – ATP Cycle 2

Seven school projects funded through the Active Transportation Program – Cycle 2, will begin construction this summer. The projects in Vallejo and Benicia vary by school location and consist of sidewalk widening and new construction, corner bulb-outs, ADA curb ramps, crosswalk improvements, RRFB installations, and at some locations street pavement improvements. The projects in the City of Vallejo are at Lincoln Elementary and Cooper Elementary, and in the City of Benicia the project locations are Mary Farmar Elementary, Benicia Middle School, Robert Semple Elementary, Joe Henderson Elementary, and St. Dominic School.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Informational.



DATE: May 3, 2019
 TO: Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee
 FROM: Karin Bloesch, Betsy Beavers, Tiffany Gephart, Sue Violette - SR2S Program Coordinators
 RE: SR2S Program Update

1. National Bike to School Day – May 8, 2019

This year 28 schools from all seven Solano County cities registered to hold events for National Bike to School Day (up from 26 last year). Local dignitaries are scheduled to greet and hand out incentive items to the bike riders at several schools. This year three schools are holding week-long events to encourage students to bike or ride a scooter to school from May 6-10 and several are hosting a Bike Rodeo and/or Bike Mobile bike repair event prior to or during that week.

2. SR2S Countywide Safe Routes Events and Participation

Updates for school participation from February 20, 2019 to May 15, 2019

School Events	Date	City
Helmet Fitting – St. Vincent Ferrer School	March 13	Vallejo
Bike Rodeo – St. Vincent Ferrer School	March 15	Vallejo
Bike Mobile – Crystal Middle School	April 10	Suisun
Helmet Fitting – Gretchen Higgins Elementary	April 17	Dixon
Bike Rodeo – Gretchen Higgins Elementary	April 24	Dixon
Bike Rodeo – Cordelia Hills Elementary	April 30	Fairfield
Helmet Fitting – Dan Mini Elementary	May 2	Vallejo
Bike Rodeo – Dan O Root Elementary	May 2	Suisun City
Bike Mobile – Fairmont Charter School	May 7	Vacaville
Family Fitness Night – Fairview Elementary	May 8	Fairfield
Bike Rodeo – Fairmont Charter School	May 9	Vacaville

Community Events		
Fairfield Earth Day	April 27	Fairfield

3. Bay Area Children’s Theatre “Rock the Block” Assembly

SR2S continues to offer elementary schools, “Rock the Block”, an educational and entertaining theatrical production that teaches K-6 grade students how to safely walk and bike to school. SR2S contracted with the Bay Area Children’s Theatre for 14 performances for the 2018-2019 school year. The following assemblies have been scheduled from February 2018 through May 2019.

City	District	School	Date
Fairfield	FSUSD	B. Gale Wilson	Feb. 21
Vacaville	VUSD	Orchard Elementary	March 21
Benicia	BUSD	Mary Farmar	April 12
Dixon	DUSD	Anderson	May 9
Vacaville	VUSD	Paden	May 10
Fairfield	TUSD	Center	May 24 (upcoming)

4. Walking School Bus (WSB)/ WOW/Walking Wednesday Update

Presently, 13 schools in the county are participating in either the Walking School Bus or a walking program. Staff continues to work with schools to start an on-going walking program.

City	District	School	Update/Events
Benicia	BUSD	Matthew Turner Elementary	Monthly Walking Wednesdays (5 th Year)
Benicia	BUSD	Mary Farmar	Weekly Walking Wednesdays
Dixon	Private	Dixon Montessori	Weekly WOW Wednesdays
Fairfield	FSUSD	B. Gale Wilson	Walking School Bus (3 rd year)
Fairfield	FSUSD	Rolling Hills Elementary	WOW Wednesdays
Suisun City	FSUSD	Dan O Root Health & Wellness Academy	WOW Wednesdays
Vacaville	TUSD	Foxboro Elementary	Monthly WOW Wednesdays (3 rd year)
Vacaville	VUSD	Callison Elementary	Daily staff-led WSB (5 th year).

Vacaville	VUSD	Padan Elementary	Weekly WOW Wednesdays (3 rd year)
Vallejo	VCUSD	Everest Academy	Walking Wednesdays (2 nd Year)
Vallejo	VCUSD	Lincoln Elementary	Fit Friday (Began 10/19/18)
Vallejo	VCUSD	Pennycook Elementary	Fit Friday (Weekly)
Vallejo	VCUSD	Widenmann Elementary	Walking Wednesdays (2 nd Year)

5. 5th Annual SR2S Poster Contest

In March, the SR2S Program distributed information and entry forms for the 5th Annual SR2S Poster Contest to all public and private K-12 schools, public libraries and local bike shops. Students were asked to choose one of five safety messages and design a poster to illustrating the safety theme. The themes were:

1. Always wear a helmet when riding your bike or scooter.
2. Cross the street at the crosswalk.
3. Always make eye contact with drivers when crossing the street.
4. Look before you cross: left right left again.
5. Don't talk or text on your phone when crossing the street; (put those headphones away too).

The SR2S Program received 198 entries (a 64% increase from the previous year of 121 entries). All entries are being reviewed by SR2S staff to determine a group of finalists for each grade category. Entries are divided into four grade categories K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Judging is based upon creativity, delivery of safety message, and proper following of safety laws e.g. use of bicycle helmets, walking within a crosswalk, following traffic signals, etc.

Staff invites SR2S Advisory Committee members to vote on the final entries at the May 15 meeting to determine the top four winners in each grade category. The first place winners' artwork will be featured in a Safe Routes to School 2020 calendar and winners will receive both a framed poster of their artwork and a gift card from a local bike shop. The second through fourth place winners will also receive a framed copy of their artwork and be featured in a Safe Routes to School 2020 calendar.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Informational.