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Cupertino Safe Routes to School



Student Led Bike Rodeo

High School Student Leads Bike Rodeo at Lincoln Elementary

Last month, as part of his eagle scout project, Cupertino resident, Gavin Wong, hosted a bike rodeo at Lincoln Elementary. With help from fellow troop members, parent volunteers, and Cherie Walkowiak, Gavin facilitated a successful event that taught kids proper bike handling skills. Thank you, Gavin, and thank you, everyone, who helped in making this one of a kind bike rodeo a success. A rodeo is a bicycle skills event which provides an opportunity for bicyclists to practice and develop skills that will help them to become better bicyclists. Gavin will be presenting highlights of his rodeo at an upcoming working group meeting, possibly in March. Check our <u>agendas</u> for details on an exact date. Visit the website, www.cupertino.org/saferoutes/workinggroup for more information.

Left, Right, and Left When crossing any street. Make sure that you look left, right, and then left again. Wear Your Helmet! When riding your bike, make sure that your helmet fits correctly and is always buckled. Remember to Signal

Your are required to signal when turning. View this <u>video</u> to learn how to signal.

Upcoming SR2S Working Group Meetings

10300 Torre Ave, Conference Room C

Wed, March 11, 4-5pm

Wed, April 8, 4-5pm

Wed, May 11, 4-5pm



Join Us!

Safe Routes to School is a partnership program between CUSD and FUHSD schools, parents, City Staff, and the Santa Clara County Sheriff.

For more information or for ways to get involved, visit: <u>www.cupertino.org/</u> <u>saferoutes</u> or email saferoutes@cupertino.org

Bike Boulevard Update

The City of Cupertino is continuing to implement its bike boulevards project. In the next few months, temporary bicycle infrstructure improvements will be made in the Rancho Rinconada neighborhood. We will be installing bulb-outs and wayfinding signage. These improvements will be along Tilson and extend from Tantau to Wunderlich. Improvements will also be made along Barnhart from Wunderlich to Sterling. Following the improvements in Rancho Rinconada, we will begin making improvements in the Greenleaf/ Beardon neighborhood.

Bike Rodeo Name Change

We are looking for community feedback on a possible change to the name, Bike Rodeo. Please fill out this <u>survey</u> so that we can gather your input! <u>http://bit.ly/bikerodeoname</u>

Homestead Rd. Corridor Study

Santa Clara County's Roads Department is partnering with VTA to pursue funds and lead the Homestead Road Safe Routes to School Corridor Project through its next phase. The County Roads and Airports Department is positioned to contribute technical assistance and consultant support in developing the grant funding application. If the funds are secured, VTA will lead the project with support from the County into its next phase of designing and delivering the recommendations developed in the Study. This multijurisdictional project will create safer routes to school along Homestead Road for students at Homestead High School, Cupertino Middle School, and West Valley Elementary School.

SR2S Street Light Banners

In 2019, we completed a high school art competition that resulted in six new Safe Routes to School themed street light banner designs. Over the next few months, we will highlight one of these designs in our newsletter. This month's design is titled, "The Bliss of Biking" by Kathy Lou. Please read Kathy's description of her artwork and view her unique artwork series in the section below.

Kathy Lou: As cities have the economic responsibility to promote alternative modes of pollution-free transport such as biking, my design highlights the joy of biking. I hope that all residents, of all ages, in the City of Cupertino will be able to understand and recognize the enjoyment that biking brings to the table. Through my design, I utilized a variety of vibrant and smooth color themes in order to catch the attention of pedestrians and residents that pass by, in the hope that they will feel inspired to get on a bike instead of resorting to driving. The vibrant colors also represent happiness, as my design conveys that through alternative modes of pollution-free transport, it would ultimately benefit the environment, establishing a happy and joyful mood.

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Fall Travel Data

Cupertino's fall 2019 student travel data report is now posted on our website. View the report using the link below and see how Cupertino students travel to and from school. <u>www.cupertino.org/saferoutes/data</u>