# STAFE ROUTES SCHOOL UPDATE

## September 2018 CUPERTING CAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

#### Cupertino SR2S Looking For High School Reps!

#### About:

We are looking for students who are passionate about bicycling, healthy lifestyles, safe transportation, and campus safety to join our Safe Routes to School Working Group! This working group is composed of parents, school administrators, district officals, and students that meet once a month throughout the school year. This working group helps create the Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School program by developing education, encouragement, and engineering elements to help improve safe walking and biking for students.

**To Apply:** Email Saferoutes@cupertino.org with your interest or visit cupertino.org/saferoutes to view the application.

## Regnart Creek Trail Update

On Tuesday, August 21, 2018, City Council unanimously voted to adopt Resolution No. 18-081, which approved the Regnart Creek Trail Feasibility Study, directed City staff to proceed with design, environmental review and construction of the Regnart Creek Trail, and amended the FY18/19 annual operating budget to appropriate \$380,000 to the Capital Improvement Fund for this purpose. City staff is currently working on finalizing the administrative draft. Once the final study is published, staff will retain an engineering firm to design the trail and continue to work with the adjacent homeowners throughout the project.

## YMCA Bike Education

**Cupertino Safe Routes 2** School, in partnership with YMCA Northwest, will hold its first ever L.C.I instructor led education event. This event is a weekend of family bike education workshops and is free for all who register. "This classroom presentation for adults and children covers bicycling and the law, crashes and how to avoid them, as well as how to drive your bike safely in all road, traffic, and weather conditions day or night. League Certified Instructors have extensive commuting, touring, group, and club riding experience". We at Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School want families to feel safe while cycling and will continue to support all efforts that aim to achieve this goal.

## Cupertino SR2S Welcomes A New Coordinator!

After more than 3 years of supporting and improving our community, Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School Coordinator, Chelsea Biklen, is moving on to new opportunities. We want to thank Chelsea for her tremendous accomplishments in creating the Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School program and growing the program into what it is today. We wish Chelsea the best and are truly grateful for the amazing work that she did for the City of Cupertino.

I am pleased to announce that Cherie Walkowiak will be joining us in September as our new Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School Coordinator. Cherie is passionate about student safety and is very excited to be driving the Safe Routes 2 School program. As part-time coordinator of Palo Alto Safe Routes 2 School, Cherie helped build a culture of biking and walking that effectively reduced traffic congestion around Palo Alto schools. Cherie is a member of Safe Mountain View, "a group of parents who promote streets safe enough for children to ride and walk around town".

Please join us in welcoming Cherie as we look forward to the continued growth and success of this important program.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 1) Tuesday, Septembr 15: Cupertino Memorial Day Festival 10am-4pm, Memorial Park
- 2) Weekend of September 22 & 23: Cuperino City Wide Garage Sale, 9 am 4 pm, throughout the City.
- 3) Tuesday, September 25: SR2S Working Group Meeting, 4-5pm, Conference Room C (City Hall)

## ABOUT SR<sub>2</sub>S

Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School is a partnership program between the City of Cupertino, Cupertino Schools, Fremont Union High School District, Cupertino Union School District, and the Santa Clara County Sherriff's office. We aim to reduce traffic and pollution and increase safety by bringing people together to craft solutions to the impending traffic concerns facing our community.



#### **CONTACT US**

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