

Active Transportation Program Biannual Update



Safety

Key Efforts with the Orange County Health Care Agency

- SRTS Action Plan
 - Strategic plan for a countywide SRTS Program
 - Evaluates countywide efforts and recommends actions to increase reach
- Safe Travels Education Program (STEP) Campaign
 - Education and encouragement activities at 25 disadvantaged area schools countywide

SRTS - Safe Routes to School



Virtual Walk to School Day Calendar

SRTS Action Plan

Action Plan

- Evaluate ongoing SRTS efforts
- Deliver SRTS activities to schools
- Develop framework for countywide SRTS Program

Plan Framework

- Four Goals
- Nine supporting strategies
- 32 recommended actions



SRTS Action Plan

Next Steps:

- Final SRTS Action Plan Working Group meeting June 9
 - Feedback focused on next steps and implementation
- Plan for future programming for Orange County schools, as well as establishing Countywide SRTS Program



Safe Travels Education Program (STEP)

Project Progress

- School recruitment for STEP Campaign activities
 - 12 schools currently enrolled in the program
 - Ramping up recruitment activities as schools return in fall 2021
- Developing fall activities
 - Working group sub-committee to focus on school outreach
 - Virtual walking and bicycling education modules
- Project completion in November 2022

System Evaluation

Cyclic Counts

- May/June 2021 (weekday/Saturday)
- Bidirectional counts at 100 additional locations
- Continues the development of countywide bicycle flow map



Example of count camera, counts unlimited

Bicycle Gap Closure Study

- Bikeway gap assessment for central and southern loops and a cross county bikeway
- Recommend cost-effective solutions
- Develop cost estimates
 - Position local agencies to advance bikeways projects
- Project kicked-off in May 2021, to be completed by summer 2022



Grant Applications

- Garden Grove – Santa Ana Gap Closure Study
 - Applied for \$3 million in ATP Cycle 5 funding
 - PA/ED phase of project
- Bus Stop Safety and Accessibility Study
 - Applied for \$300,000 in SCAG Sustainable Communities Funding
 - Study focusing on safety and accessibility improvements within ¼ mile of OCTA's 13 busiest bus stops



Rendering of proposed Class I facility on PE ROW

ATP - Active Transportation Program
OCTA - Orange County Transportation Authority
PA/ED - Project Approval and Environmental Document

PE ROW - Pacific Electric Right-of-Way
SCAG - Southern California Association of Governments

Next Steps

- Return with updates on active transportation efforts including:
 - Bicycle gap closure study and STEP Campaign
 - Bicycle count data
 - Partnering with stakeholders
 - Recommendations related to a countywide SRTS Program
- Seek funding opportunities to support active transportation activities
 - Continue working with local agencies and community groups to advance active transportation measures for all Orange County residents
 - Continue to monitor the coronavirus pandemic and adapt activities to accommodate safe protocols