

SAFE ROUTES 2 SCHOOL UPDATE

May 2018



Pedal 4 The Planet (P4PR) Family Bike Rides

On Saturday April 21st , Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School hosted its 3rd annual P4PR Family Bike Rides as part of the Cupertino Earth and Arbor Day Festival! The event featured two family friendly rides and free bike repairs, courtesy of Performance Bicycles in Campbell. Both rides were a huge success with nearly 100 people between two routes. Our shorter 6-mile family riders enjoyed the low traffic route that made its way through three different community parks and a creek trail. Our longer 11-mile route was enjoyed by riders who said that the route “gave them a tour of Cupertino in a way that they had never experienced before”. The ride was relaxing and offered the perfect amount of distance and elevation to keep the ride casual yet fun.

Thank you to everyone who came out and participated in this year’s event! It was exciting for everyone involved and we look forward to seeing you again later this year at our Fall Family Bike Fest and Rides to be hosted on October 27th, 2018.



National Bike To School Day

We are pleased to announce that Bike to School Day is coming up soon on Wednesday May 9th, 2018. On this day the city encourages students, parents, and school staff to walk, bike, and use alternative forms of transportation to get to and from school. Bike to School Day is part of National Bike Month, which includes the entire month of May.

By walking or biking on May 9th you will:

- * Reinforce children's traffic safety awareness
- * Create and maintain safe places for children to walk within their neighborhoods, especially on trips to and from school.
- * Embody a specific step that people can take to make our community more pedestrian friendly.
- * Promote the fact that children need regular physical activity to stay strong and healthy.
- * Encourage families to have fun and spend time together simply by walking—the easiest way to stay healthy.
- * Remind adults to drive safely in school zones by increasing the number of visible pedestrians or bicyclists
- * Decrease traffic congestion around schools and improve the air children breath.

Let's all work together to make our community a more child-friendly place to walk and ride by walking and riding!

Eaton Elementary Bicycle Program

Cupertino Safe Routes to School is excited to announce that Eaton Elementary School is beginning a school loaner bike program! This program will allow students who don't have a bicycle at home to borrow a bike for school commuting. We've partnered with Eaton and Good Karma Bikes, San Jose to attain a versatile bicycle for students of all sizes and bike handling skill levels. Thank you Good Karma Bikes for your help in making this program a reality.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1) **Thursday, May 3:** Garden Gate Elementary School Walk & Roll
- 2) **Friday, May 4:** Regnart Elementary School Walk to School Day
- 3) **Wednesday, May 9:** National Bike to School Day
- 4) **Thursday, May 10:** National Bike to Work Day
- 5) **Tuesday, May 15:** SR2S Working Group Meeting, 4-5pm, Conference Room C (City Hall)

ABOUT SR2S

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 Sheriff'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

For more information or ways to get involved, visit: cupertino.org/saferoutes or email saferoutes@cupertino.org

