THE PROGRAM
The Community Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Training (CPBST) program is a joint project of UC Berkeley SafeTREC and California Walks (Cal Walks). The program works with local residents and safety advocates to develop a community-driven action plan to improve walking and biking safety in their communities.

The CPBST includes training and skill building in pedestrian and bicycle safety and creates opportunities for collaboration among communities, local officials, and residents. The goal is to help make communities safer and more pleasant for walking and biking.

“CPBST provided the space, time, and expertise Healthy Lompoc needed to convene stakeholders, build motivation and move our work forward. CPBST helped put data and credibility behind the message of increased safety and walkability in Lompoc.”

- Executive Director
Lompoc Valley Community Healthcare Organization

WHAT TO EXPECT
Program staff work with a local planning committee to customize a training for the community that works with participants to increase their knowledge of pedestrian and bicyclist safety, identify strategies to implement in their community to improve safety for all road users, and build rapport between residents, local officials, agency staff, coalitions, and other partners. All training will be provided virtually. As conditions around the pandemic change, we will reassess conducting workshops in-person.

PART 1 Walking & Biking Assessments: Participants learn how to conduct and participate in a walking and biking assessment of local streets.

PART 2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Overview: Participants learn walking and biking safety strategies using a Safe Systems framework that aims to eliminate fatal and serious injuries on the road.

PART 3 Action Planning Activity: In smaller groups, participants plan for infrastructure projects, community programs, and actionable next steps for their community.
The UC Berkeley Safe Transportation Research and Education Center (SafeTREC) conducts research and technical assistance, provides graduate level courses, and coordinates major transportation safety programs for the State of California. SafeTREC’s mission is to reduce transportation-related injuries and fatalities through research, education, outreach, and community service. Learn more: https://safetrec.berkeley.edu/

California Walks (Cal Walks) is a statewide organization that partners with state and local agencies, community-based organizations, and residents to establish and strengthen policies and practices that support pedestrian safety and healthy, walkable communities. Cal Walks works to expand and support a network of community organizations working for pedestrian safety and community walkability. Learn more: https://calwalks.org/

ABOUT US

RESULTS

As of 2020, SafeTREC and Cal Walks have conducted 100 trainings.

Many communities have used the CPBST program to:

- Apply for and secure infrastructure and program funds;
- Implement education and encouragement efforts;
- Build and strengthen local coalitions;
- Introduce and advocate for policy changes; and
- Expand media coverage and outreach.

EXPLORE

Visit our interactive map to view and access summary reports from past trainings at bit.ly/CPBSTMap.

If you require an accommodation for effective communication (ASL interpreting/CART captioning, alternative media formats, etc.) to fully participate in this event, please contact Lisa Peterson at lisapeterson@berkeley.edu or (510)-643-1773 at least 7-10 days in advance of the event.

CONTACT/ NEXT STEPS

Visit https://safetrec.berkeley.edu/programs/cpbst for more information about the program.

Contact Wendy Ortiz at Cal Walks at wendy@calwalks.org or call (714) 742-2295 with any questions.


Fill out the Program Application and submit it to wendy@calwalks.org.

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