

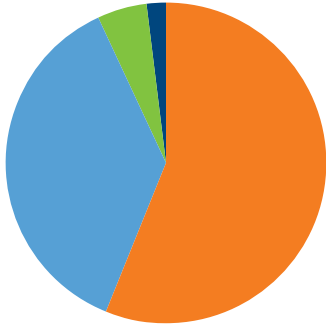
# 2017 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

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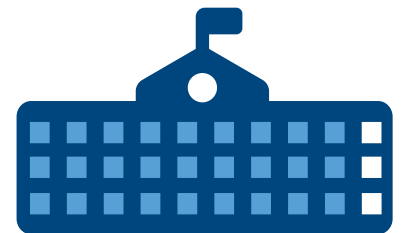
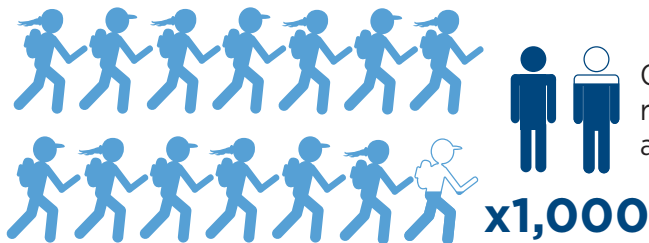
Safe Routes to School is a nationwide effort to get more children biking and walking to school for their health, academic achievement and the environment. The City of Fort Collins Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program is housed within the FC Moves Department. Our goal is to get at least 50 percent of local K-12 students biking or walking to school on a regular basis.

## FINANCIALS



- \$144,191 City SRTS Operating Budget
  - \$94,350 PSD Crossing Guard Program
  - \$12,823 Grant Funding
  - \$4,802 FC Moves Funding
- \$256,166 TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

## EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT ACTIVITIES



**27** schools were served by SRTS in 2017.



SRTS distributed **428 free bike helmets** to K-12 students and their parents.

The **Safe Kids Larimer County Strap & Snap** program reached an additional **1,589** third-graders with helmet-safety instruction during the year.

## PARTNERSHIPS

- SRTS facilitated community-wide celebrations of **National Bike to School Day** and **International Walk to School Day**, involving thousands of K-12 students.
- A partnership with the **City's Recreation Department** continued to provide **B.I.K.E. Camps** during the summer led by SRTS instructors.
- New biking and walking camps, clubs and field trips were supported by a **CDOT SRTS grant**.

**7,628** students received education via **helmet fittings, bike-ped safety units in PE classes and after-school programs, Family Bike Rodeos, B.I.K.E. Camps and similar activities.** This program operates through a partnership with **Bike Fort Collins**.

The City's **FC Bikes program** taught bike-ped and motorist safety to 460 high-school students.



## ENGINEERING ACTIVITIES

SRTS continued partnering with the City's **Engineering Department** to make sidewalk improvements in school areas.

SRTS assisted **PSD Wellness** with completion of a project to install **bike fix-it stations** at all PSD middle schools and high schools. One elementary school also has a new fix-it station.

Several new **arterial-street crossings** were built along the developing **bikeway network**, many benefiting schoolchildren.

Traffic Operations continued installing new **radar speed feedback signs** in school zones and other strategic locations to slow down traffic.

The Parks Dept. continued **expansion of the paved multi-use trail system**, including the Pleasant Valley Trail near four schools.

## ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES



The City continued funding the **PSD Crossing Guard Program**. City **police officers** rode along on major school bike field trips, providing traffic control at key arterial crossings.

## EVALUATION ACTIVITIES



**Mode-of-travel tallies** at schools throughout the community were incorporated into the City's annual **Bicyclist and Pedestrian Counts**. The average bike/walk rate at schools was 23%, with one school reporting 35%, far surpassing the national average.

Feedback from teachers, principals and parents was overwhelmingly positive, with 100% of participating teachers reporting high satisfaction with program content and delivery.

## EQUITY

The SRTS program serves all local students and families in an equitable manner through adherence to the **School Rotation Schedule**, a plan to reach all PSD schools on a regular basis. Other equity strategies include a "No Child Left Behind" philosophy for bike field trips, wherein all students can participate through use of **adaptive equipment**, even kids who can't bike on their own.

## PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION



A **CDOT** grant of **\$12,960**

for **biking and walking camps, clubs and field trips** was completed in 2017. SRTS hired a **new part-time assistant** to help with equipment management, teaching and other duties.



The **SRTS Bike Fleet** and other equipment were used in support of **600** individual classes/events/activities during the year. The SRTS Bike Fleet totals **177** bikes, tagalongs and trailers, including **96** bikes housed at **Bauder** and **Olander** elementary schools and **Blevins, Leshner** and **Lincoln** middle schools.