2016 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

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



\$298,164 Grant Funding

- \$99,549 SRTS Strategic Traffic Infastructure
- \$94,350 PSD Crossing Guard Program
- \$76,865 City SRTS Operating Budget
- \$8,000 FC Moves Funding

\$576,928 TOTAL EXPENDITURES

New grant funding received in 2016: \$12,960

EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT ACTIVITIES



Our programming reached 12,000 students and 2,700 adults in 2016.



SRTS distributed 440 free bike helmets to K-12 students and their parents.

The Safe Kids Larimer County Strap & Snap program reached an additional 1,430 thirdgraders with helmet-safety instruction during the year.

6,100 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 800 high-school students.





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28 PSD and **2** non-PSD schools were served by SRTS in 2016.

PARTNERSHIPS

- SRTS facilitated communitywide celebrations of National Bike to School Day and International Walk to School Day, involving thousands of K-12 students.
- A partnership with the Citv's **Recreation Department** continued to provide B.I.K.E. Camps during the spring and summer led by SRTS instructors.
- New biking and walking camps, clubs and field trips were supported by a \$12,960 CDOT grant.



ENGINEERING ACTIVITIES

SRTS continued partnering with the City's Engineering Department to make sidewalk improvements in school areas. SRTS assisted PSD Wellness with acquisition and installation of bike fix-it stations at all PSD middle schools.

Construction was completed on the new **\$398,070** multi-use trail serving Tavelli Elementary. Traffic Operations installed a new school speed zone and speed indicator on Laporte Avenue for Poudre High School. The SRTS Strategic Traffic Infrastructure Program provided bike-ped improvements in the vicinity of 10 schools.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES



The City continued funding the **PSD Crossing Guard Program**. City **police officers** rode along on major school bike field trips.

EVALUATION ACTIVITIES

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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.

Pre- and post-tests were conducted as part of the Middle School Bike PE program. Analysis by the **University of Northern Colorado School of Public Health** indicated significant knowledge gain by students completing this educational program.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION



A CDOT grant of \$555,038 for pilot testing of the SRTS School Rotation Schedule was completed in 2016.



The **SRTS Bike Fleet** was delivered to approximately **90** school/event locations; **30** new pieces of equipment were added to the fleet, bringing the total to **172** bikes, tagalongs and trailers, including **90** bikes housed at **Bauder Elementary** and **Blevins**, **Lesher**, and **Lincoln** middle schools.



The **Magical School Bus** was used at several schools and community events in 2016, including Lesher Middle School's Adaptive PE class. Young students or those who are unable to ride alone can pedal as a group on this 10-seat pedaling school bus.





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