2016 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM
FC MOVES DEPARTMENT, CITY OF FORT COLLINS

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 Infrastructure
- $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 third-graders 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.

PARTNERSHIPS

- A partnership with the City’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

- 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.

### PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- A **CDOT** grant of **$55,038** 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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