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## NEWS

### **Call for Walk Friendly Communities Applications**

The Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC) has opened the sixth round of the Walk Friendly Communities (WFC) application process. To assist applicants in collecting and preparing responses, PBIC has released an interactive version of the application that can be circulated among an application team to facilitate the internal review process prior to submission deadline on June 15, 2013. All applications must still be submitted through the online application system by creating an account. Submit applications at: <http://bit.ly/10oYyVz>.

### **Call for Nominations - Sharon D. Banks Award For Humanitarian Leadership In Transportation**

This award, given by the Transportation Research Board, is intended to recognize individuals whose accomplishments exemplify Sharon Banks' caring nature and depth of character by making a significant difference in the lives of those who use, deliver, or support transportation services. This award goes beyond general managerial excellence. The award recipient will be an individual who exemplifies Sharon Banks' ideals and who has a documented record of innovative and successful leadership in areas such as the education, training, and mentoring of transportation professionals; community-sensitive transportation facilities and services; and other people-oriented initiatives that bring together individuals of diverse backgrounds in the pursuit of excellence. Recognition may be based either on a unique programmatic and leadership accomplishment or on sustained accomplishments over an extended period of time. The award is intended for individuals, but organizations will also be considered. The deadline for nominations is August 31, 2013. For more details, please click [here](#).

### **Save the Date: Fall Fire Up Your Feet Activity Challenge October 1-31, 2013**

Fire Up Your Feet programs across the country are encouraging families, students and schools to work together and create active lifestyles that inspire our children to be healthy and physically active. The first California Fire Up Your Feet Activity Challenge ended May 15, 2013, and winning schools will be notified via email. Keep those feet moving and wheels turning this summer, because the Fire Up Your Feet Activity Challenge returns to California in fall 2013! From October 1-31, 2013, California schools will have another chance to get students, families, and school staff moving and track trips for the chance to earn Challenge Awards. For more information, visit <http://fireupyourfeet.org/>.

## NEW RESOURCES

### **Caltrans Makes Policy Change to Local Assistance Procedures Manual**

Caltrans has made a policy change to the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) that impacts all local assistance funded Architectural and Engineering consultant contracts. The incorporation of OB 12-03R into the LAPM makes further refinements to the audit process and associated LAPM Exhibits; addresses recent changes to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program and associated LAPM Exhibits; deletes Exhibit 10-G (Formerly *Certification of Local Agency*) and makes minor changes to Exhibits 10-E *Sample Payment Clauses*, 10-F *Certification of Consultant, Commissions & Fees*, and Exhibit 10-V *Non-Discrimination Clause*; and makes technical changes to LAPM Chapters 3, 5, 15 and 20, and Local Assistance Program Guidelines Exhibit 23-N *Funding Allocation Checklist* as a result of

audit process, DBE program or other changes. Local Programs Procedures LPP 13-01 *Consultant Selection and Other Technical Changes* and associated Exhibits have been posted to the Local Assistance website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/lpp/lpp1r1.htm>. Questions or comments regarding this change should be directed to your District Local Assistance Engineer at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/dlae.htm>.

### **School Transportation Related Crash Data Released**

Data reveals how, when, and by what method children are being injured and killed in school transportation-related crashes. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recently released a fact sheet detailing this injury data for the period of 2002-2011. Notably, the data demonstrate that 12 of 17 children killed each year in school transportation-related crashes are pedestrians. To learn more, read the fact sheet [here](#).

### **The Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC) Unveils New White Paper Series**

PBIC has created a new white paper series to expand access to the latest pedestrian- and bicycle-related research, resources, and tools. The white papers are designed to provide a broad array of information about some of the most commonly requested topics of interest among engineers, public health officials, planners, and advocates. The papers feature the most up-to-date research, resources, and tools on a variety of topics. The first two papers in the series have been completed: "[An Overview of Automated Enforcement Systems and Their Potential for Improving Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety](#)" and "[Using Health Impact Assessments to Evaluate Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans](#)." Papers on high visibility crosswalks and road diets will be released this summer.

### **PBIC Updates Its Bike Share Website**

In September, 2012, PBIC released a comprehensive guide to creating bicycle share programs, "Bike Sharing in the United States: State of the Practice and Guide to Implementation." PBIC continues to offer the latest information and research on bicycle share programs in the U.S. and recently updated its [site](#) with the latest research and articles on bicycle share programs as well as a more complete list of locations of bicycle share programs. The site also now features an interactive map of programs across the country. The PBIC also continues to maintain a Bike Share Listserv. If you are interested in being added to the Listserv, please email [James Gallagher](mailto:James.Gallagher@pbic.org).

### **Revision of Popular FHWA Resource: Safer Journey**

FHWA just completed revising the popular Safer Journey resource that is geared towards school aged children. FHWA first developed Safer Journey 13 years ago and helps educators, parents and others who care about pedestrian safety get the conversation started with children and youth. The revised [Safer Journey](#) is now only available on the web and it is updated to reflect current times and technology. There are three videos for students aged 5-9, 10-14, and 15-18 that are accompanied by a quiz or discussion and an educator's resource library that can be used as an introduction to pedestrian safety skills or to augment a comprehensive curriculum.

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Family and Schools Program Manager – San Francisco, California**

The San Francisco Bicycle Coalition is looking for a seasoned organizer to work with parents, children, youth, and school staff in San Francisco, California schools and beyond to increase the number of families bicycling and walking to school. Candidates must be bilingual in a Chinese language and/or Spanish and be proficient in culturally sensitive outreach. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until the position is filled. For more information regarding this position, please visit the San Francisco Bike Coalition [website](#).

## **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Healthy Lifestyle PTA Grants Available**

The National PTA has announced a new funding opportunity – Healthy Lifestyles Energy Balance 101 Grant. Twenty-five \$2,000 grants will be awarded to PTAs in good standing who wish to engage students in grades Pre-K – 5 in healthier habits. These grants are funded through the Healthy Weight Commitment Foundation and its Together Counts Program. The application deadline is 2:00 p.m. PDT on June 28, 2013. For more information or to apply, please visit the National PTA [website](#).

### **Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity – Round 8**

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity is a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Applications are due by 12:00 p.m. PDT on July 10, 2013. For additional information, click [here](#).

### **HSIP Call for Projects Released – Apply Now for SRTS/Bike/Ped!**

April 29, 2013, Caltrans Division of Local Assistance announced a Call for Projects for the Cycle 6 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). This Call for Projects is targeted for approximately \$150 million for HSIP based on the estimated available programming capacity. Applications are due by July 26, 2013. For program guidelines, application forms, and other useful documents, please go to [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/apply\\_now.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/apply_now.htm). For this Call for Projects, non-infrastructure (NI) elements that support an infrastructure project and improve the overall safety are eligible to be funded. The NI elements may include safety education, traffic enforcement, and emergency medical services. For the additional submittal requirements and more information regarding NI elements, visit <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/Nielements.html>.

## **MEETINGS, CONFERENCES AND SUMMITS**

### **Childhood Obesity Conference 2013**

CDPH, the California Department of Education, the University of California, Berkeley, Dr. Robert C. and Veronica Atkins Center for Weight and Health, the California Endowment, and Kaiser Permanente are

hosting the [2013 Childhood Obesity Conference](#) scheduled for June 18-20, 2013, at the Long Beach Convention Center in California. The 7th biennial Childhood Obesity Conference is the nation's largest, most influential collaboration of professionals dedicated to combating pediatric obesity. Nearly 2,000 attendees from across the country are expected to attend in 2013. The Conference will showcase the latest research, evidence-based best practices, and policy/environmental change strategies.

### **Los Angeles County Active Transportation Coalition Meeting**

The Los Angeles County Active Transportation Coalition meeting will be held in downtown Los Angeles at [HubLA](#) to discuss Los Angeles County/Local Transportation Policy on June 26, 2013 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. PDT. For more information, please visit the SRTS California [website](#).

### **Attend the National Partnership's Free 2013 Annual Meeting**

The SRTS National Partnership's Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, August 12, 2013 from 1:00 p.m to 6:00 p.m. PDT in conjunction with the [SRTS National Conference](#), which takes place August 13-15, 2013 in Sacramento, California. This free Annual Meeting will feature roundtable discussions with colleagues surrounding SRTS issues; a federal update with the latest on MAP-21 implementation; a town hall discussion on funding and policy; and geographical area breakout groups, offering the opportunity to strategize and find solutions for SRTS funding and implementation in specific areas. Register [here](#) for the Annual Meeting at the same time you register for the SRTS National Conference.

### **Register Now for the 4th SRTS National Conference**

Registration is now open for the 4th SRTS National Conference, to be held August 13-15, 2013 in Sacramento, California. Early-bird registration fees will be available through June 28, 2013. The conference registration deadline is July 2, 2013. The conference program will include nearly 60 plenaries, breakouts, implementation workshops and MindMixer sessions. It will focus on SRTS case studies and best practices from around the country; innovative funding strategies and successful partnerships; SRTS needs in disadvantaged communities; exciting new technologies and tools; proven engagement strategies and messaging; implementable local, regional and statewide SRTS policies; SRTS in rural communities; safety and enforcement; evaluating SRTS; engaging youth (with presentations by dynamic youth leaders); and much more!

For more details about the program, speakers, registration fees and transportation, and to register, visit: <http://saferoutesconference.org/>. To access conference promotional materials, please click [here](#).

Follow the conference on Facebook at [facebook.com/SafeRoutesNationalConference](https://www.facebook.com/SafeRoutesNationalConference) and Twitter [@SRTS\\_Conference](#).

### **Walking Summit 2013**

The Every Body Walk! 2013 Walking Summit will take place in Washington, D.C. on October 1-3, 2013. This event sets the stage for fresh and inspiring conversations that will develop strategies, build capacity, increase momentum and showcase best practices in walking and walkability. For more information please visit: <http://americawalks.org/2013/03/2013-walking-summit-announced-mark-your-calendar/>.

## **WEBINARS AND TRAINING**

### **June 5<sup>th</sup> Webinar – SRTS TARC Monthly Networking Call**

TARC's networking calls are a valuable way to learn from other programs, share exciting news or resources, and network with/ask questions of your peers. This month will highlight Caltrans funding opportunities, new SRTS resources, and a recap of Bike to School Day. Please visit the SRTS TARC [website](#) to register for the call.

### **June 6<sup>th</sup> Webinar – Model Pedestrian Safety Programs**

On June 6, 2013, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. PDT, America Walks is hosting the fifth webinar in the six-part All Things Walking series. This free webinar will showcase model pedestrian programs by providing the audience an overview of pedestrian safety programs in the State of California and the District of Columbia. For details and to register, please click [here](#).

### **June 19th Webinar - "What's in There for Me: Mining National Data for Information on Walking and Bicycling"**

On June 19, 2013, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. PDT, the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals will host a webinar entitled "What's in There for Me: Mining National Data for Information on Walking and Bicycling." For details and to register, please visit <http://bit.ly/14UTwSK>.

### **June 20th Webinar - "Maximizing City Involvement in SRTS: Educating Municipal Transportation Departments and Practitioners"**

On June 20, 2013, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. PDT, the SRTS National Partnership will host a webinar entitled "Maximizing City Involvement in SRTS: Educating Municipal Transportation Departments and Practitioners." For details and to register, please visit <http://bit.ly/ZfxWMB>.

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