

Active Transportation Resource Center (ATRC)¹ Quarterly e-News for Non-infrastructure Projects

This quarterly e-news provides a summary of key news and training opportunities to support your Active Transportation Program (ATP)—Non-infrastructure (NI) work in California. To sign up for e-news, to view our e-news archive, or to find out about more resources and training opportunities, visit www.CA saferoutestoschool.org.

Heads Up on Needs Assessment Survey! In late February or early March, all ATP—NI awardees will have the opportunity to complete an online survey to assess your technical assistance and training needs. Your responses to this survey will be of tremendous value to the ATRC.

We're here to support you!

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Learning opportunities from the Active Transportation Resource Center

www.CAsaferoutestoschool.org

WEBINAR: Non-infrastructure Projects- Stories from the Field

Did you know that there were 51 NI applications selected in the first two rounds of ATP? In addition, 52 applications were selected as combination NI/I. Please join us for our next webinar, which will allow participants to examine a few of these NI programs from across the state with a closer lens, and to see how your own efforts relate. Four awardees will provide an overview of their programs, and answer your questions. February 29th, 10:00am – 11:30am PST; register for this webinar [here](#).

Recorded Webinars and Trainings

In case you were unable to attend our kick-off webinar in December, a recording is available on our website. The slides and recording provide an orientation to CDPH—ATSP technical assistance services under Caltrans ATRC. This webinar also highlights our *California School Crossing Guard Training Program*, including the new online crossing guard testing system. The ATRC has a library of recorded webinars and trainings available covering topics from engaging public health, to school wellness policies. Find a presentation that can help take your program to the next level [here](#).

Introducing two new guidance documents for unique California communities!

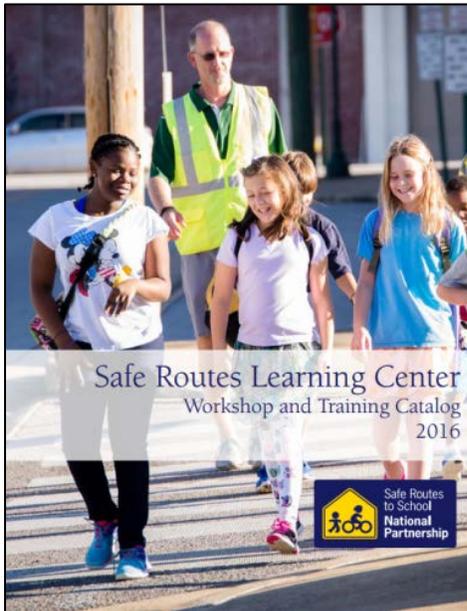
Safe Routes to School in Rural Communities

Safe Routes to School Programs in Rural California: A Guide for Communities and Partners explores the challenges of safe walking and bicycling to and from school in rural California. The guide provides resources to help communities address those challenges through launching a SRTS program to conducting high-level planning for SRTS projects, as well as learning how other rural California communities have established and maintained successful SRTS programs. Download your copy, and find more information [here](#).

Safe Routes to School in Tribal Communities

Although California is recognized as a leader in the SRTS movement, many Native American tribes in California have not benefitted from the positive public health, safety, and environmental outcomes that SRTS programs are celebrating throughout California. *Creating Safe Routes to School Programs in Tribal Communities in California* provides education and resources for California's tribal communities regarding developing a SRTS program and applying for funds to support a SRTS program. Download your copy, and find more information [here](#).

The 2016 **PedsCount! Summit** will take place June 6-7 in Long Beach. Speaker proposals are now being accepted – the deadline to submit a proposal is Monday, February 8th. Proposal categories are: individual presentations, full sessions, and mobile workshops/tours. Go online to learn more: <http://californiawalks.org/newsletter-events/pedscount2016/>. Follow the Summit on Twitter: **#PedsCount16@CaliforniaWalks**. Summit point of contact: **Caro Jauregui**, caro@californiawalks.org.



Safe Routes Learning Center: Workshop and Training Catalog

The Safe Routes to School National Partnership offers a wide variety workshops and trainings covering topics including Safe Routes to School, shared use, active transportation, transportation finance, and community engagement. Now, you can browse our offerings in the [2016 Safe Routes Learning Center: Workshop and Training Catalog](#).

The catalog includes course descriptions, suggested lengths and formats, and a menu of suggested course pairings. We are offering the workshops and trainings to organizations and communities through grant-funded programs and as part of our consulting services. **All courses can be customized to meet the needs of your organization or community.**

If you would like to learn more or schedule a workshop or training, contact Michelle Lieberman at michelle@saferoutespartnership.org.

America Walks Announces 2016 Webinar Series America Walks is excited to announce the 2016 Webinar Series. Each month they will explore the topics, questions and resources that are critical to building the walking movement:

- Series 1: Tools for the Field
- Series 2: Call to Action in Action

For more information, visit their website [here](#).



Opportunity from Caltrans

Caltrans is kicking off the implementation phase of its [Strategic Highway Safety Plan](#) via six Regional Transportation Safety Summits. After each Summit, there will be a one-hour Q&A period focused on Tribal safety (12:30 – 1:30 pm). At the summits participants will:

- Learn about the newly updated California Strategic Highway Safety Plan
- Learn about the top traffic safety problems in their region, and safety activities underway
- Participate in workgroup discussions about priority safety strategies and actions for their region
- Find out about funding sources for safety planning, infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects
- Network with other safety professionals

Find more information and a summit near you [here](#).

ATP Cycle 3 Guidelines and Application Process Has Begun

The California Transportation Commission has initiated the Guidelines and Application update process for the 3rd cycle of the Active Transportation Program – the 2017 ATP. The next workshop will be held:

Wednesday, February 3, 2016
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Board Rm.
818 West 7th Street, 12th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Teleconference #: 1-800-832-0736, Participant Code: 7334636

The call for projects is currently scheduled for March 30th, which is subject to revision by the CTC. Future workshop dates, times, and locations are still to be determined. Notice of workshops will be posted on the Commission website. Please note that there will be changes to the ATP Cycle 3 application and guidelines compared to previous cycles. Review previous ATP Cycle 1 (2014) and Cycle 2 (2015) applications, and learn more about the ATP on the CTC website [here](#).

Questions about the program and workshop participation can be addressed to Laurie Waters at 916-651-6145 or laurie.waters@dot.ca.gov

Opportunities from the National Center for Safe Routes to School

[February 10 Webinar - Growing Safe Routes to School in Indian Country](#)

The webinar provides an overview of some of the considerations unique to implementing SRTS in tribal communities, and highlights successful strategies that can assist in overcoming the challenges.

[The National Center and the Safe Routes to School National Partnership Release Informational Brief on Safe Routes to School in Tribal Communities](#)

New information brief provides an overview of successful strategies to implementing Safe Routes to School in tribal communities.

[Call for Applications: 2016 Safe Routes to School Award](#)

The National Center for Safe Routes to School now welcomes applications for the James L. Oberstar Safe Routes to School Award.

We want to hear from you! Share your ideas or program highlights for future ATRC E-News bulletins! Please contact your regional TA coordinator (see Map on p. 1) with ideas or feedback!