



2021 Active Transportation Symposium

Strategic Improvements, Implementing Quick, Safe and Affordable Solutions









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What is Quick Build?

- Quick-build is a method to help local governments improve communities for walking, bicycling, and micro-mobility on a minimal budget and on a compressed timeline.
- Quick-build projects install bicycle, pedestrian or traffic safety improvements using low-cost materials that can be installed quickly.
- Quick-build projects are flexible and designed to be easily changed or even removed if necessary.
- Quick-build projects are **not** pop-up or demonstration projects that are intended to be removed after a short period.









Why Quick Build?

- Quick-build presents tremendous opportunities to implement projects in compressed timelines and with fewer resources while accommodating and meeting increased demand for walking, bicycling, and micro-mobility.
- Communities get to see and adjust what works on the ground, rather than in theory.
- Public input and feedback on a guick-build design can inform the development of the eventual project.









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Why Quick Build?

- Accelerated expansion of a pedestrian or bicycle transportation network to connect jobs, homes and essential services
- Implementation of active transportation networks in a more equitable manner









The Quick Build Process

- Planning
- Design
- Implementation
- Maintenance









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The Quick Build Process - Planning

- Assemble the Team
 - · Key Coordinator/Project Lead
 - Planners
 - Engineers
 - · Others?
- Define Project Goals
- Identify Resources
 - Staff
 - Materials









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The Quick Build Process - Planning

- · Use existing contracts when in-house resources are lacking
 - On-Call
 - IDIQ
- Take advantage of predictable opportunities
 - · Upcoming paving or striping projects
 - · Leverage an Existing Plan
 - ATP, Bicycle or Pedestrian Masterplans
- Advocate for more funding for quick-build!









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The Quick Build Process - Design

Apply appropriate standards:

- ADA
- CA-MUTCD
- NACTO: Urban Bikeway Design Guide
- Caltrans
- · Local Standards









The Quick Build Process - Design

- Utilize standard details for:
 - Separated Bikeways
 - Transit Stops
 - Transition zones
 - Intersections

Avoid non-standard design whenever possible!









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The Quick Build Process - Design

- Avoid Reconstruction
 - · Curb and gutter
 - Drainage structures
 - Traffic Signals

Design within the existing roadbed - Saves time and money!









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The Quick Build Process -**Implementation**

- · Understand Funding Sources and Requirements
 - Federal
 - · State/Local
 - Donations
- · Local Agency Approval Process
 - Reviews Streamline where possible
 - · Permits Expedited Process, requires early communication
- Construction
 - · Leverage existing material stockpiles
 - · Signs, barricades









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The Quick Build Process -**Maintenance**

- How long does the installation need to last?
 - · Affects Materials selection
- Is there sufficient access for maintenance and service equipment?
 - Street sweeping
 - · Trash collection
- Who's responsible?
 - · In-house Maintenance Staff
 - · External hired forces
 - Volunteers







