

Oakland, California – Attachments

Bicycle Friendly Community Application (September 2022)

In celebration of Oakland's fourth application to the Bicycle Friendly Community Program, we combed through photographs from the previous three applications and the past four years to assemble this photo album of Oakland's growth as a bicycle friendly community. The photographs are organized chronologically to share Oakland's progress through imagery.

2005 – Oakland's first separated bike lanes
2007 – Electronic bicycle lockers in downtown Oakland
2007 – The Fruitvale Bike Station at Fruitvale BART
2008 – Bike to Work Day
2009 – Andy Singer's Bike to Work Day Artwork
2010 – Actual Café Takes Bike Parking Inside
2010 – Bicycle Coffee Takes It to the Streets
2010 – Refreshments for Bike to the Movies Night
2010 – Oakland's Bicycle Guide Sign System
2010 – Bicycle-Powered Events
2011 – "Greeting from Oakland, California" Commemorative Postcard Set
2013 – The New Eastern Span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge
2013 – A Yarn-Bombed Bike Corral
2013 – Oakland Rolls Out Green Bike Lanes
2014 – MacArthur Blvd's 4-to-2 Lane Road Diet
2016 – The Patch Kit of Champions
2017 – Oakland Fabricates Kid-Sized Bike Racks
2017 – Oakland's First Concrete-Separated Bike Lanes
2018 – Oakland's Showcase Separated Bike Lanes
2018 – East Bay Bike Party Celebrates its 100th Ride
2018 – The Original Scraper Bike Team Leads a Tour
2018 – Marshall "Major" Taylor Mural
2018 – "Rollin' in Tradition" Murals
2019 – Oakland's Adaptive Bike Sharing Pilot Program
2019 – Oakland's First Jug Handle Bicycle Crossing
2019 – Oakland's New Bike Plan, Let's Bike Oakland
2019 – An Oakland Public Library Electric Cargo Bike with Trailer
2020 – "Force of Knowledge" Mural
2020 – Oakland's Slow Streets & Essential Places Program
2021 – Lake Merritt Channel Path at 7th St
2022 – 11th Ave Bicyclist Cut-Through and the Oakland Buddha





2005 – Oakland’s first separated bike lanes were installed as a temporary “quick build” during the removal of this very wide roadway – disparagingly known as the “World’s Shortest Freeway” on the southern shore of Lake Merritt. Over the past twenty years, the streets around Lake Merritt have been transformed to support walking and biking and to grow the parkland along the water’s edge.



2007 – Electronic bicycle lockers in downtown Oakland at Broadway and 14th St were first installed in 2006. The City of Oakland now has four installations and BART provides e-lockers at its Oakland stations for a total of 428 electronic bicycle lockers in Oakland.



2007 – The Fruitvale Bike Station at Fruitvale BART opened in 2004 and continues to provide secure and free parking for 200 bikes. The 19th St Bike Station in downtown Oakland opened in 2015 and accommodates 130 bikes. At MacArthur BART, a secure cage for 197 bikes opened in 2019.



2008 – Bike to Work Day has been celebrated annually in Oakland since 1994 with events like this pancake breakfast at City Hall.

Oakland's 16th Annual
BIKE TO WORK DAY

El día de bicicleta
자전거 출근의 날

騎單車上班日
Ngày Đi Làm Bằng Xe Đạp



the no-pollute commute!

Thursday, May 14, 2009 • 7:00-9:00 am

Oakland City Hall • 14th Street & Broadway



2009 – Andy Singer's Bike to Work Day Artwork made an inspiring and memorable poster for the 16th annual event. Oakland's bike community is fortunate to have artist and advocate Andy Singer as an honorary former resident.



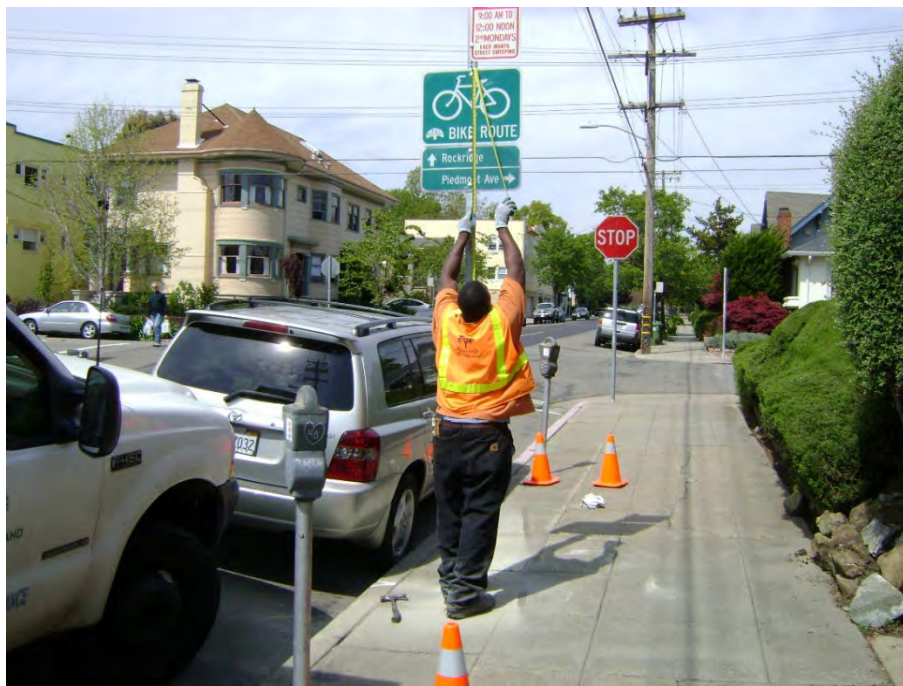
2010 – Actual Café Takes Bike Parking Inside beginning a new trend for bike-supportive local businesses to show their love for bicycling customers.



2010 – Bicycle Coffee Takes It to the Streets, founded in Oakland in 2009, and delivering beans by bicycle.



2010 – Refreshments for Bike to the Movies Night, organized by Walk Oakland Bike Oakland (WOBO), an organization founded in 2007 that continues to advocate for walking, biking, social justice, and fun.



2010 – Oakland's Bicycle Guide Sign System, developed partnership between field staff and office staff, began to roll out after the adoption of design guidelines in 2009. Oakland's *Bicycle Wayfinding Design Guidelines* (2021), are now in its fourth edition.



2010 – Bicycle-Powered Events, like this scavenger hunt by Rock Paper Scissors, an artist collective, flourish with local groups organizing themed rides of murals, local history, and ecology.



2011 – “Greetings from Oakland, California” Commemorative Postcard Set celebrates Oakland’s first Bicycle Friendly Community Award in 2010. The images were collected through a photography contest and published as a set of six postcards, including this photograph taken by Gregory H. Thomas, showing Skyline Boulevard with its panoramic views of San Francisco Bay, the sweeping spans of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, and the iconic cranes of Oakland’s Port.



2013 – The New Eastern Span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge opens with a 15.5-foot bicyclist and pedestrian path, with 2.2 miles of path on the bridge with an additional 2.7 miles of new path providing access to the bridge.



2013 – A Yarn-Bombed Bike Corral brings color and joy to Telegraph Ave in Oakland's Temescal District. Oakland's first bike corral was installed in 2012 with 32 corrals installed to date.



2013 – Oakland Rolls Out Green Bike Lanes with an emphasis on conflict zones, calling attention to where drivers merge across bike lanes and where a bike lane may have motor vehicle traffic on both sides.



2014 – MacArthur Blvd’s 4-to-2 Lane Road Diet at Mills College marked a turning point for installing buffers on bike lanes rather than two-way center turn lanes when reconfiguring roadways. Since 1995 Oakland has completed 95 road diet projects on 57 miles of streets.



2016 – The Patch Kit of Champions celebrating Oakland’s hometown favorite, the Golden State Warriors, brought cheer to the 2016 Bike to Work Day with patches (20%), glue (20%), sandpaper (10%), and moxie (60%).



2017 – Oakland Fabricates Kid-Sized Bike Racks for families biking to Children’s Fairyland at Lake Merritt. Oakland initiated its CityRacks Bicycle Parking Program in the mid-1990s and is approaching 12,000 bicycle parking spaces available to the public.



2017 – Oakland’s First Concrete-Separated Bike Lanes, on ribbon-cutting day, along Broadway at Keith Ave, one of a collection of bicyclist and pedestrian improvements funded by an Oakland settlement with Caltrans over the Fourth Bore of the Caldecott Tunnel on California State Highway 24.



2018 – Oakland’s Showcase Separated Bike Lanes, on Lakeside Dr along Lake Merritt, have set a high bar for how enjoyable and attractive separated bike lanes can be.



2018 – East Bay Bike Party Celebrates its 100th Ride and continues on today with its monthly rides throughout the East Bay drawing huge participation for its positive vibes and festive themes.



2018 – The Original Scraper Bike Team Leads a Tour of Deep East Oakland for Let's Bike Oakland, the update to Oakland's Bike Plan that was completed in 2019. The plan embraced an Equity Framework to guide plan analysis, plan recommendations and engagement, partnering with community-based organizations Bikes 4 Life, Cycles of Change, East Oakland Collective, Outdoor Afro, and the Scraper Bike Team.



2018 – Marshall “Major” Taylor Mural with Artist Refa One (left) and Tony Coleman of Bikes 4 Life, a non-profit community bike shop in West Oakland. Oakland’s community bike shops include The Bikery, Spokeland, The Shed, and The Crucible.



2018 – “Rollin’ in Tradition” Murals by local artist Desi Mundo, founder of the Community Rejuvenation Project, in partnership with the The Original Scraper Bike Team, on the first completed section of the East Bay Greenway, a 16-mile regional trail under development in Oakland, San Leandro, Hayward, Ashland, and Cherryland.



2019 – Oakland’s Adaptive Bike Sharing Pilot Program was a partnership between the City of Oakland, Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (BORP), and the regional bike share operator (Lyft) that offered handcycles, recumbent handcycles, recumbent leg trikes, and a side-by-side tandem to push the limits on making bike share more inclusive.



2019 – Oakland’s First Jug Handle Bicycle Crossing helps bicyclists cross MacArthur Blvd, just east of High St, and continue to the new path connecting the Laurel commercial district to Mills College and the Maxwell Park neighborhood. A second phase is under development to extend the path further east to the Millsmont neighborhood.



2020 – “Force of Knowledge” Mural, with painting in progress by artist Timothy B, graces an abandoned building on Martin Luther King Jr Wy and W MacArthur Blvd, both streets with bike lanes, on the historically under-invested side of California State Highway 24 near the MacArthur BART Station.



2020 – Oakland’s Slow Streets & Essential Places Program made big news early in the pandemic for closing 21 miles of streets to through traffic and creating neighborhood spaces for residents to recreate during the dark days of shelter-in-place. The program sparked tough questions regarding race and class: who got to stay home; who had to go to work; who needed to drive; and what it would take to redesign streets as more inclusive public space.



2021 – Lake Merritt Channel Path at 7th St was improved with a new crossing including a median safety island plus safety islands on either edge of the roadway, supporting left turns from the buffered bike lanes on 7th St onto the path. An RRFB helps alert drivers of pedestrians and bicyclists.



2022 – 11th Ave Bicyclist Cut-Through and the Oakland Buddha, at the intersection of an existing bikeway on 11th Ave and a proposed bikeway on E 19th St at a diagonal diverter that was constructed in the 1950s by an early urban renewal project. The new bicyclist cut-through was given extra care in outreach, design, and construction to be respectful of the Oakland Buddha, a shrine used for daily worship by Vietnamese Buddhists in the neighborhood.