



# SFMTA Active Communities Plan







## ACTIVE COMMUNITIES PLAN

First citywide Bike Plan since 2009

Year-long public engagement starting January 2023

Plan adopted at SFMTA board in March 2024

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## PLAN OUTCOMES

New proposed citywide bike network & prioritized investment plan

Policy & program recommendations

Deep engagement in Equity Priority Communities

Accommodation of all devices that can legally use the bike network

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## Plan Goals

**Support Climate Action:** Help achieve 80% low-carbon trips by 2030.

**Support Vision Zero:** Achieve safety for all users of the bike network.

**Advance Equity:** Align projects with community values & needs; increase overall mobility for those most vulnerable to transportation challenges.

**Support Access:** Plan for a bike network that can accommodate a broad range of mobility devices and be used by all residents.

**Accountability:** Ensure a clear path for funding and project delivery.

# TEAM PARTNERS

## SFMTA

Livable Streets, Planning, Curb Management & Communications

**Technical Advisory Committee** includes representative from Accessibility Services & MOD

## Consultant

Toole Design – Lead consultant

Interethnica – Outreach, engagement & translation services

EMC Research – Citywide polling & survey work

Safe Streets Research – Technical analysis

## Contracted Community Partners

PODER/Bicis del Pueblo – Mission District & Outer Mission/Excelsior outreach

BVHP Community Advocates – Bayview-Hunters Point outreach

Tenderloin Community Benefits District – Tenderloin outreach

SOMA Pilipinas – Western SOMA outreach

New Community Leadership Foundation/Influx – Western Addition & Fillmore outreach

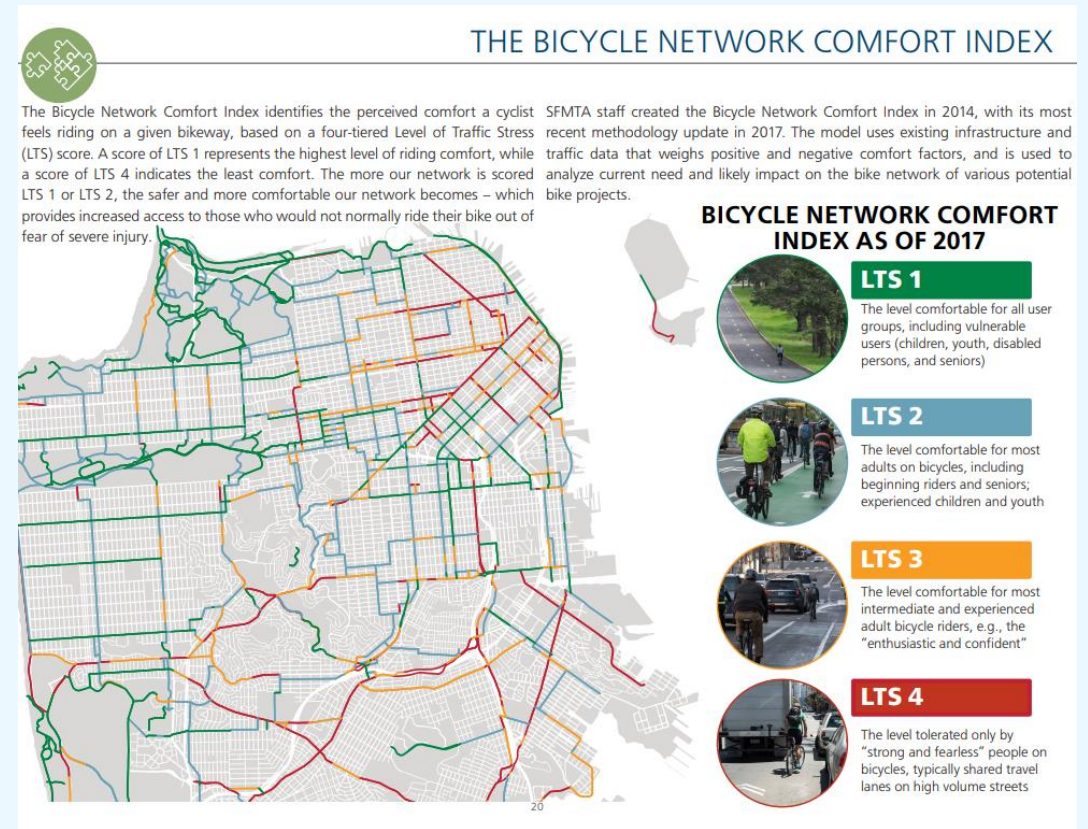
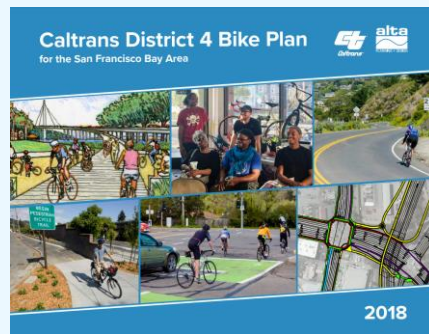
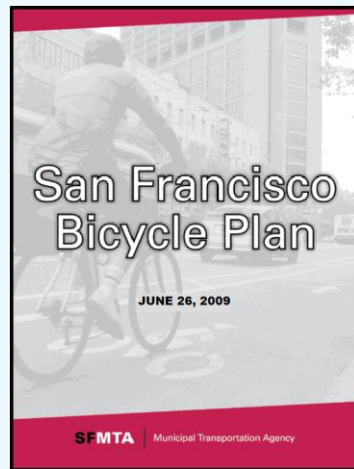
San Francisco Bicycle Coalition – Citywide outreach & policy recommendations



# EXISTING CONDITIONS

## Tasks:

- Data collection
- Bicycle Comfort Index update
- Review of past plans



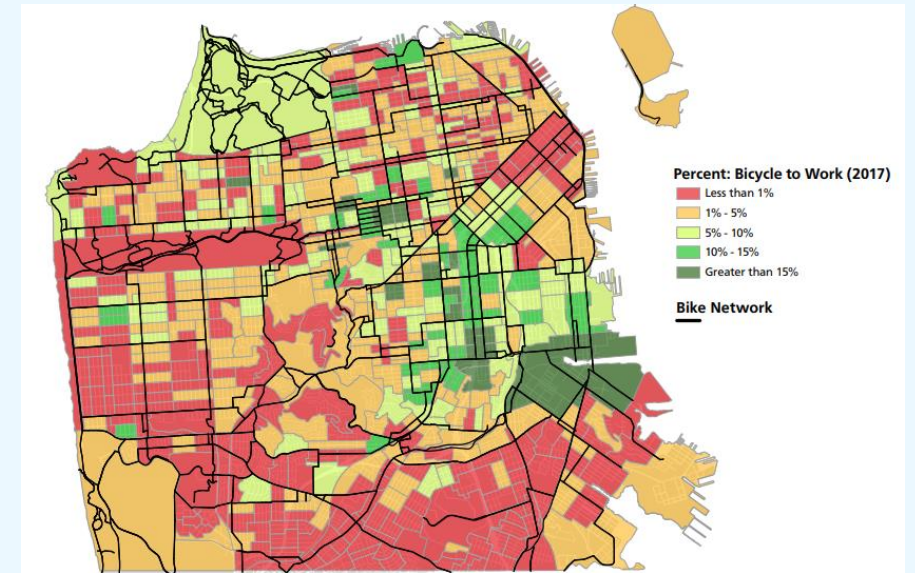
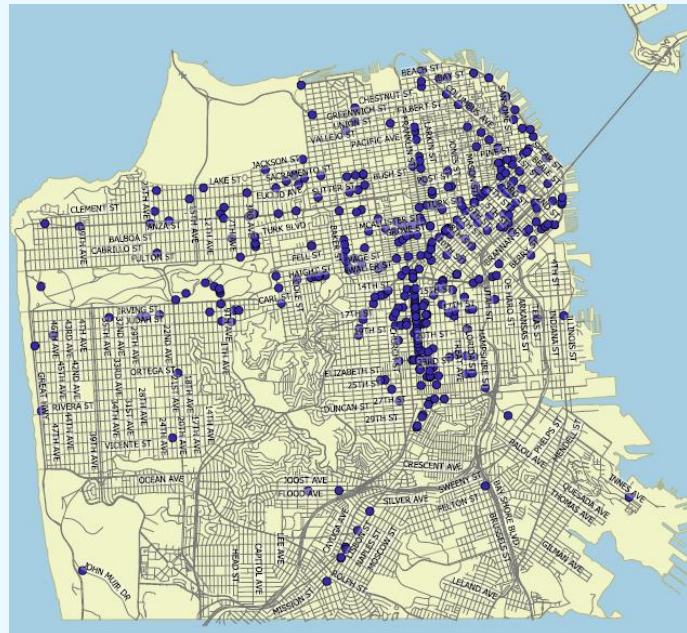
The Existing Conditions task is largely completed, with work meant to set up analysis and public outreach tasks

# ANALYSIS

## Tasks:

- Bike Network & Bike Count Analysis
- Equity Analysis
- Collision Analysis
- Network Connectivity Analysis
- Resident Preference Survey


The Analysis task will help identify areas of focus for bike network improvements, as well as potential changes to policy & programs



**51%**   
of SF residents enjoy biking.  
Just 15% do not.

**1/3**   
residents can bike, but  
won't in San Francisco.

**7 in 10**   
people cite safety concerns  
as a major impact on their  
decision to bike.

**59%**   
believe that bike lanes and  
paths should be **separated**  
from cars.



# PUBLIC OUTREACH

## Tasks:

- Public Outreach Plan
- Community Interviews
- Equity Priority Community Engagement
- Citywide Outreach & Engagement
- Interactive Web Tools

## Year-long public outreach process, Jan 2022 to Jan 2023

- At least 12 interviews with community leaders & elders
- 30 citywide outreach events
- 24 partnership events in Equity Priority Communities
- Statistically-significant polling & survey work

January to June: community needs, challenges & values  
July to January: draft plan recommendations



# DRAFT & FINAL PLAN

## Tasks:

- Goals & Vision
- Draft Bike Network
- Parking & Support Facilities
- Policy & Programmatic Recommendations
- Implementation, Cost & Funding Plan
- Personal Mobility Device Guidelines
- Draft & Final Plan

Draft Plan anticipated for Fall 2023

Includes developing new guidelines for mobility devices & how bike network can be designed to increase mobility for users with a disability





# BOARD REVIEW & APPROVAL

Required approval path for the Active Communities Plan:

- Hearing at SF Bicycle Advisory Committee
- Hearing at SFMTA Policy & Governance Committee
- Hearing at SFMTA Community Advisory Committee
- Hearing at SFMTA Board

Approval path to start roughly December 2023, with MTA Board adoption no later than March 31, 2024.

Active Communities Plan will seek Statutory Exemption under SB 288, which provides an exemption for Bicycle Transportation Plans.



# ACTIVE COMMUNITIES PLAN

## Collaboration with Mayor's Disability Council

- How does MDC want to be engaged during year-long public outreach process?
- How often should the project team present to MDC?
- What are the best ways to meaningfully engage with the diverse disability community?
- How can the Active Communities Plan improve mobility and quality of life for people with disabilities?
- What should be included in Personal Mobility Device Guidelines?





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