Hi {{FirstName or "Friend"}},

You may have already noticed a few changes on our new website (www.calwalks.org), but we’re still super excited to officially share our new look with you! We’ve made it easier than ever for you to stay connected to the latest updates on active transportation policy and legislation and have pooled together our staff’s expertise into a handy Resource Library, including a dedicated guide to Navigating the Active Transportation Program (ATP). Beyond a simple visual refresh, we also wanted to take this opportunity to share with you our new vision, core values, and guiding principles that are key for achieving the transformative change we wish to see in our transportation system.

Greetings from the Cal Walks Board of Directors!

As Cal Walks continues to grow and push groundbreaking policies, our staff and Board of Directors have been engaged in strategic reflection over the past year on how best we can achieve our mission to be the statewide voice for pedestrian safety & healthy, walkable communities for people of all ages & abilities.
Pooling together our collective experiences as people of color, immigrants, queer and gender non-conforming folx, first-generation Americans, people with disabilities, and as allies, we’ve crafted a far-reaching vision for change centered on the concept of Movement Power: by intentionally coming together across agencies, industries, and movements to work alongside communities, we can advance an intersectional agenda for change that will not only create safe, just, and inclusive streets and public spaces where everyone can move under their own power but also actively shifts decision-making power to communities most affected by those decisions.

Learn more about our vision for Movement Power »

In solidarity,

Tony Dang, Executive Director

**Around the state...**

**Complete Streets Bill Clears Major Hurdle**

On July 8, Cal Walks and our coalition partners celebrated a hard-won victory: garnering 10 votes in support, our Complete Streets for Active Living bill (SB 127) passed the Assembly Transportation Committee.

A huge shout out and thank you to Moses Trujillo (pictured above with his mother and Cal Walks' Esther Rivera and CalBike's Linda Khamoushian), a 5th grader at Malcolm X Elementary School in Berkeley, who shared his personal story of how unsafe it is to try to cross Ashby Avenue (State Route 13) to get to school and how our Complete Streets Bill would make it easier for him and his classmates to walk and bike to school for their own health and the health of the planet. Check out his testimony for yourself here (starting at 54:50)
Stories from the Field:
The CPBST at work in Florence-Firestone

Last year, Cal Walks and UC Berkeley SafeTREC evaluated how well our Community Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Training (CPBST) program served the needs of our partnering communities.

Check out SafeTREC Program Lead Kate Beck’s write-up of the CPBST at work in the unincorporated community of Florence-Firestone »

ClimatePlan is hiring

ClimatePlan is hiring a Policy Advocate for their Sacramento, CA office. ClimatePlan is a statewide network of health, equity, and environmental nonprofits dedicated to improving California’s land use and transportation. With more than 50 partners—including the Cal Walks team—ClimatePlan brings diverse interests together and has brought new energy and new voices to urban planning, transportation, and conservation in California.

Learn more about the position and how to apply »

In San Jose...

Help Us Liven Up Viva CalleSJ with Jane’s Walks!

This September, San Jose will close five miles of streets to cars for its second Viva CalleSJ event of 2019. Viva CalleSJ is an open streets events that allows residents to explore new neighborhoods by walking, biking, and skating.
Walk San Jose is excited to bring Jane's Walks back to San Jose for Viva CalleSJ! Jane's Walks are free, resident-led walking tours inspired by urbanist and activist Jane Jacobs. The purpose of the walk is to allow us to share stories and experiences within our neighborhoods.

We will be hosting Jane's Walks near the Rose Garden and Japantown hubs of the event and are looking for walk leaders in Japantown and the Rose Garden to spearhead a walk! To lead a walk, all you need is to love your neighborhood and be willing to share and connect with neighbors!

Learn more about how you can help »

Upcoming Events + Trainings

Webinars
Social and Economic Sustainability Metrics for Public Transportation | August 6, 2019, 10:00 am to 11:30 am PT | Hosted by the Transportation Research Board

Bridging the Gap — Successful Health and Community Development Partnerships in Practice | August 8, 2019, 10:00 am to 11:00 am PT | Hosted by the Build Healthy Places Network & NeighborWorks America

Designing for Resilience Across Scales, Systems and Sectors | August 14, 2019, 10:00 am to 11:30 am PT | Hosted by Smart Growth Information Clearinghouse

Connected and Engaged: Community Outreach Strategies for Transportation | August 14, 2019, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm PT | Hosted by America Walks

Race Counts: A 3D approach to track racial disparities in each of the state's 58 counties | August 28, 2019, 10:00 am to 11:30 am PT | Hosted by Advancement Project California

Active and Engaged: Community Outreach Strategies for Health | September 11, 2019, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm PT | Hosted by America Walks

Public Participation: How to Authentically Engage Communities | August 21, 2019, 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm PT | Hosted by the Capital Region Climate Readiness Collaborative (CRC) and the Institute for Local Government (ILG)
2019 APBP Conference
August 25-28, 2019 | Portland, OR | Hosted by Association of Pedestrian & Bicycle Professionals

2019 Vision Zero Cities Conference
October 10-12, 2019 | New York, NY | Hosted by Transportation Alternatives

2019 Safe Routes to School National Conference
November 12-14, 2019 | Tampa, FL | Hosted by Safe Routes Partnership

2019 Conference on Health and Active Transportation
December 11-12, 2019 | Washington, DC | Hosted by Transportation Research Board

New Resources

Foot Traffic Ahead 2019: Ranking Walkable Urbanism in America's Largest Metros
Smart Growth America

Improving Active Transportation and Public Transit Integration – A Guidebook for Policy and Planning
The Centre for Active Transportation

Safety Demonstration Projects: Case Studies from Durham, NC, Huntsville, AL, and Pittsburgh, PA
Smart Growth America

Have an item you want to share with the Cal Walks Network?
Send an e-mail to Esther Rivera, Interim Deputy Director

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