San Francisco School Access Plan

Community Update — October 2022

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San Francisco County Transportation



Agenda

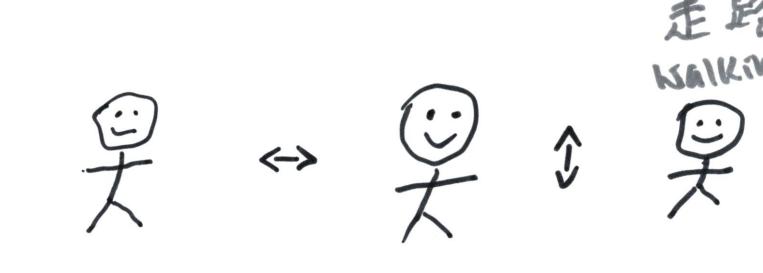
- Goals
- Outreach Overview
- Focus Group Findings
- Draft Strategies
- Next Steps





Study Goals

- **1.** Improve quality and availability of transportation options to school and afterschool activities
- 2. Ensure school transportation options are safe
- **3.** Reduce greenhouse gas emissions, localized congestion, and air pollution near school sites





Early COVID outreach to youth







Outreach

- Focus Groups with Caregivers
- Strategy Workshops
- Survey and Popup Events



Outreach

SFUSD Affiliated Groups

- African American Parent Advisory Council
- District English Learners Advisory Committee
- Matua Advisory Council
- Chinese Parent Advisory Council
- Mission Graduates
- Chinese Immersion School

- Community Advisory Committee for Special Education
- Parents for Public Schools
- Kindergarten to College Program
- Many school-site leads



Outreach

Community Groups

- APRISF
- Bmagic
- Us4Us
- Samoan Community Development Center
- Samoan Dual Language Pre-K
- Excelsior Strong
- United Playaz

- All in SF
- SVIP
- Latino Task Force
- El Centro
- MEDA
- Community Youth Center
- Family Connections Centers





Survey: sfcta.org/schoolaccess



Focus Group Findings: Pain Points

- Personal safety
- Children at multiple schools
- Communication and trust
- Long trips, transfers, and unreliable Muni buses
- Traffic
- Cost?



Focus Group Findings: Potential Solutions

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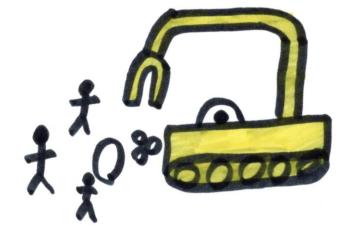
- Yellow school busses are popular
- Flexible options
- Aftercare
- New barriers to carpooling

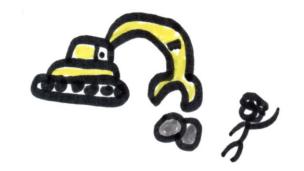


Draft Strategies

Six Categories

- 1. Improved Transportation Options
- 2. Personal Safety
- 3. Infrastructure Safety
- 4. Communication and Information
- 5. Reduce Costs
- 6. Foster and Homeless Youth Specific Strategies







Draft Strategies: Transportation Options

- Expand SFUSD bussing services
- Microtransit shuttles
- Carpool coordination
- E-bike lending library
- Before and aftercare programs









Draft Strategies: Personal Safety

- Transit Education and Training
- Expand or Adjust Muni Transit Assistance Program (MTAP)





Draft Strategies: Infrastructure Safety

- Support SFMTA's existing infrastructure safety programs
- Develop guidance for vehicle pick-up & drop-off sites
- State legislation: lower speed limits, innovative speed enforcement





Draft Strategies: Communication and Information

- Transportation coordinators
- Transportation Advisory Committee





Draft Strategies: Reduce Costs

- Improve awareness or reach of discounted fare programs
- Transportation stipends





Draft Strategies: Foster and Homeless Youth Focus

- 1. Consider allowing SFUSD employees to provide school of origin transportation
- **2.** Allow the purchase of youth-rate clipper cards by SFUSD for foster and homeless youth
- **3.** Establish a forum for coordination between neighboring school districts and child welfare departments for school-of-origin transportation across county lines.



On the Horizon

- Outreach Round 2 Findings
- Strategy Evaluation & Refinement
- Funding and Implementation Plans
- Final Report: Spring 2023







Thank you. Any Questions?

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