

The Notorious MUTCD is Responsible for Putting this Person and Many Others in Danger



We've been asking you to contact USDOT Secretary Pete Buttigieg to urge him to rewrite the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, "the most important pedestrian safety document that you've never heard about."

Watch this video and read the guest blog to see why – residents of a low income neighborhood risking their lives to shop for food because local authorities won't put in a crosswalk. All because the MUTCD doesn't allow it.

Check Out Don Kostelec's Blog and Video

USDOT IS REVISING THE FEDERAL MANUAL FOR LOCAL STREETS - BUT THE LATEST DRAFT STILL DOESN'T PUT PEOPLE AND SAFETY FIRST. YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO TELL SECRETARY PETE TO MAKE IT BETTER.

Follow our easy instructions below.



We need a MUTCD that puts the safety of people walking and moving over the convenience of people in cars. Use our easy comment template to tell Secretary Pete Buttigieg to rewrite the MUTCD in a way that puts safety and equity first. It should take about 5 minutes of your time.

Submit Your Comment

Do you have a story like Don's? There's still time to tell us about your MUTCD horror story for the chance to be featured.



Share Your MUTCD Story With Us



Want to make your community safer?
We're giving away a pair of rectangular rapid flashing beacons.

Apply now!

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Want to create a safe crosswalk in your community? Through the generosity of Carmanah Technologies, we are giving away a pair of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons! We are interested in projects that center the concerns of BIPOC residents, reach across the demographics of communities to build coalitions, and/or create unique civic partnerships with new perspectives.

Applications are open now through May 31, 2021. See important qualifying details below.

Learn More and Apply for the Beacons

Did you miss Storytelling for Active Transportation Advocates?



"It's really been a campaign to demonize and dehumanize movement outside of the vehicle...there's an opportunity to look at advocacy campaigns from a rebrand position to rehumanize people outside of the vehicle." – Tom Flood

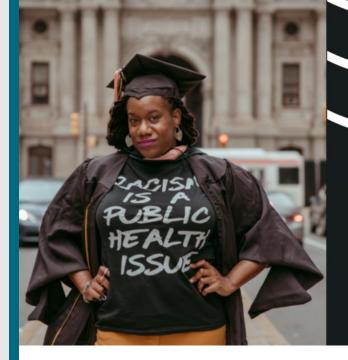
It was another engaged and packed house this month as we learned from some of the best when it comes to adopting creative, caring, human-centered strategies to deliver our people-first messages and stories. If you missed this webinar you're going to want to catch the recording. At least for the famous masked Peatónito appearance.

Watch the Webinar Recording

Kelli McIntyre Highlights Walkable Community Goals in the Struggle for Health Justice

Check out the second edition of our in-depth miniseries that features past Fellows from the Walking College and highlights the details of the people-first work they've gone on to activate in their local neighborhoods.

These stories are a nice way to get to know this deeply educational, fun, relationship-based leadership program - straight from the Fellows themselves.



I recognize that the conversation about a more walkable Philadelphia is as much about economic opportunities and inclusion in the decision making, as it is about sidewalks and traffic calming. We need to talk about intentionally addressing decades of active disinvestment in racialized communities.

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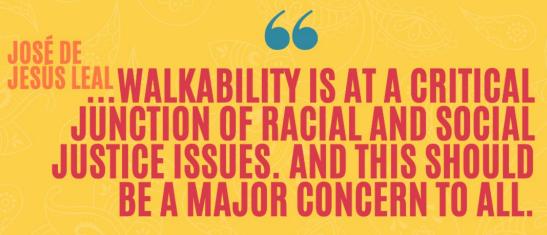
Read Kelli's Full Feature Story

Our Favorite "Street-Level Researcher" is Starting a Book Club

Interested in joining the **Arrested Mobility Book Club** with Charles T. Brown? The purpose of this virtual book club is to bring together individuals from diverse backgrounds to have honest, candid, and authentic dialogue around literature related to Charles Browns' theory of arrested mobility. For more information on this topic, watch <u>his recent 2021 National Bike Summit Keynote: Arrested Mobility – Exploring Impacts of Over–policing on BIPOC.</u>

Please feel free to share this sign up form with others whom you feel would add richness to the book club's discussions.

Sign Up for the Arrested Mobility Book Club



JOSÉ IS CO-DIRECTOR OF MIG'S SACRAMENTO OFFICE AND DIRECTOR OF MIG'S TRIBAL NATION BUILDING STUDIO

We're thrilled to welcome José de Jesús Leal as one of America Walks' newest Board Members.

José is a landscape architect with a wicked sense of humor, a penchant for truth-telling and a love for the natural environment. He believes in the power of play and the importance of maintaining a strong connection to the land.

His interests are related to the amplification of the voices of the Indigenous and People of Color that he has the honor to collaborate with. His goal is to help make the invisible visible by not only acknowledging their place and contributions to our landscapes but by helping to reconnect and strengthen those connections.

Read José's Full Interview / Blog

Join us April 14th for our New Webinar: Best Practices for Hosting Virtual Walking Events

In a year that carried the undertone of general collective heartache and canceled in-person events we learned a whole lot - and one thing we learned was the vast power and potential for virtual convenings and events to successfully connect people from all walks of life around walking, moving and advocating for healthy, people-first communities.

Hear from panelists from different walking/moving organizations who have recent, hands-on experience and knowledge around developing virtual walking/moving events in our sphere. From the retrospective technical details to the future implementation and vision of what virtual convenings might mean for inclusion and improving community input – we'll cover the full range of best practices for hosting virtual events that aim to promote physical activity and mobility for all people.

Register for Our April Webinar

Mark Those Calendars:

April 14th: The Deadline to apply for the AARP Community Change Challenge Grant is approaching! These grants fund "quick-action" tangible demonstration projects in communities across the US. **Apply here.**

April 14th - Join us for our upcoming webinar: Best Practices for Hosting Virtual Walking Events

at 2 pm EST. Register here.

April 22nd – The Safe Routes Partnership is hosting a free webinar from 1–2 pm EST entitled Where's the Money? Funding Your Active Transportation Project. Register here.

Content of the Month:

- Biden's infrastructure plan is out. Here are our thoughts. / Transportation for America
- Evanston, Illinois is going to Provide Reparations for Black Residents whose Families Experienced Racist Housing Policies/ Now This News
- Dangerous By Design 2021/ Smart Growth America
- Unarbanist Assembly 2021/ Thrivance Project
- Advocates to Feds: We Need a New Traffic-Control Manual / Streetsblog
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