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For years, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention & Active People, Healthy Nation have been the anchor in funding projects related to creating healthy, active, and engaged places to live, work and play.



Lyndale Neighborhood Association Minneapolis, MN

The project purpose is to lead 5 walk audits and “walkability forums,” focused on the 35th-36th Street corridor, that elevate the voices and experiences of all our neighborhood’s communities, build the groundwork for engaged residents who can engage in promoting human-centered streets.



Bike San Diego

The proposed project is a day-long hack-a-thon that brings together people and businesses from the Kensington, Talmadge, and City Heights neighborhoods to identify and envision safety improvements to El Cajon Boulevard and Fairmount Avenue.



BETTER BLOCK

The Better Block Foundation Dallas, TX

The proposed project will create pedestrian bulb-outs with colorful exterior grade paint to daylight the intersection. Flex posts will ensure that vehicles respect the bulb-outs. Zebra stripes will be painted or applied with colorful duct tape. This installation brings immediate safety improvements, is temporary to semi-permanent in nature, and responds to our prior community engagement work with their neighbors.

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New Orleans Complete Streets Coalition New Orleans, LA

The proposed project is a pop-up tactical daylighting intervention on one intersection in the 7th ward. Additional activities are a community meeting, canvassing, volunteer installation, celebration of opening, & evaluation of the project.



BikeWalk Provo Provo, UT

For the past two years, BikeWalk Provo has organized "Walktober," a series of walking events in October. They aim to expand these efforts to strengthen Provo's walking culture year-round. Events will take place citywide, with a focus on schools, safe routes, and crossing guards. Additionally, we plan to pilot temporary pop-up pedestrian infrastructure in each neighborhood district, showcasing how improved infrastructure can enhance walkability and safety.



Proyecto Pastoral Los Angeles, CA

The proposed project involves conducting a community-centered pedestrian survey (in both English and Spanish) along four street intersections commonly used by pedestrians to assess safety concerns, identify areas for improvement, and gather input on what would motivate more residents to use the outdoor spaces in Boyle Heights.

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We Grow LA Los Angeles, CA

The 'South LA Walking Project' will transform a neglected public space near the Slauson Super Mall into a vibrant, walkable community hub by integrating functional art and pedestrian-friendly amenities.



Lina Liu Artist Group New York, NY

The project combines cultural art and community engagement to promote walking and active lifestyles. We will offer free Chinese sugar paintings to pedestrians, featuring designs like families walking, bicycles, and GM symbols, adding a sweet, artistic element to their journey. The project will take place in high-traffic, walkable areas, encouraging participation and fostering a sense of joy.



The Good Shepherd Church/Jesse Miranda Center for Hispanic Leadership La Habra, CA

The project is to start a "Walk & Clean" group where they will walk the city streets and clean up trash along the way. Through this program they want to promote a healthier lifestyle not only for our church members but anyone in our community that wants to join us to clean up our city streets.



El Hajj Malik Shabazz Islamic Center Los Angeles, CA

We will host a 3k Sisters Walk to a local farmers marketplace. Promoting social inclusion of Muslim women, community walkability, health exercise - the 3K will end at a local farmers marketplace w

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Saint Agnes Medical Center Fresno, CA

The project plan is to train the council on land use practices and organize a series of night walks to identify safety concerns that would improve walkability. These efforts will help improve accessibility and navigation in the California Avenue neighborhoods of West Fresno, particularly around Edison High School and Rutherford B. Gaston Middle School.



Women of Color Breast Cancer Survivors Support Project Inglewood, CA

The project is to continue the success of their 2022 initiative of a weekly walking group at Ruben Ingold Parkway in View Park, CA. They will recruit and sign members to a year-long agreement to walk at least 1 mile or at least 30 minutes of vigorous walking each day, 3 times a week.



Mt Healthy City School District Cincinnati, OH

This is a multiphase project to include: improving access to or use of transit, support for a Complete Streets Project – a project to improve the safety and connectivity of your streets and sidewalks, campaign promoting benefits of walking or walkability and connectivity or partnering with a community, organization or group.



Lions & Rabbits Center for the Arts Wyoming, MI

The project will install colorful crosswalk murals at key intersections along the Plainfield Ave Creston Business District. This project builds on the sidewalk murals and crosswalk paintings we implemented in the neighborhood last year.

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City of North College Hill, Ohio North College Hill, OH

As part of their new Active Transportation project, in partnership with Hamilton County Public Health Department, they will work with the city's engineers to design and test new traffic patterns & pedestrian safety measures using temporary curbs, removeable delineators and removeable paint striping.



Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District Buffalo, NY

Funding is requested to purchase materials to build a 6' x 120' concrete trail extension to connect Holmes Elementary to a walking trail located down a steep hill. This grant will provide opportunities for historically underserved children to be active through a close-to-home walking trail on a year-round basis.



Park to Broad Arts & Business District, formerly Fairmount CDC Philadelphia, PA

Girard Gateway project will install signage to direct neighbors on safe routes to nearby park and recreation spaces, provide information on distances, and encourage walking via maps of short loops between the neighborhood and the park and river trail.



HMC Squared Community Association Philadelphia, PA

This project will promote neighborhood walking by focusing on increasing safety. They will install signage and small figures representing children walking at intersections with a goal to get drivers to slow down and carefully look for pedestrians.

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Spokane Public Schools

Spokane Public Schools Spokane, WA

The Walking School Bus (WSB) project is a community-driven initiative that encourages students to walk to school in a supervised, organized group, led by trained volunteers or school staff. By providing a safe and structured walking option, the Walking School Bus also supports students who may otherwise have limited access to transportation, ensuring they can attend school regularly and on time.



Our Streets Minneapolis, MN

Funding for this project will support a capstone event to showcase work from participants in the Community Transportation Academy. This will help with engaging more community members and partners and expanding the network of Minnesotans advocating for walkable, sustainable cities.



Hope College, Office of Educational Outreach Holland, MI

The project plan is to implement a permanent StoryWalk on campus that would be available year round to promote early literacy skills by engaging students and families in reading while being physically active outdoors, encouraging family time, fostering a love for reading, and building vocabulary.