



Active Transportation Program (ATP)

The Active Transportation Program was created by Senate Bill 99 to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as walking and biking.

The Active Transportation Program consolidated various transportation programs into a single program and was originally funded at about \$123 million a year from a combination of state and federal funds. The goals of the ATP include, but are not limited to, increasing the proportion of trips accomplished by walking and biking, increasing the safety and mobility of non-motorized users, advancing efforts of regional agencies to achieve greenhouse gas reduction goals, enhancing public health, and providing a broad spectrum of projects to benefit many types of users including disadvantaged communities.

In 2017, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed Senate Bill (SB) 1, also known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act. SB 1 directs \$100 million annually from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account to the ATP, significantly augmenting the available funding for this popular program.

Program Benefits

Since its inception, the Active Transportation Program has funded over 800 active transportation projects across the state benefiting both urban and rural areas. More than 400 of the funded projects are Safe Routes to Schools projects and programs that encourage a healthy and active lifestyle throughout students' lives. In addition, every cycle has seen more than 85% of funds going towards projects that will benefit disadvantaged communities throughout the state.

While the Active Transportation Program has successfully funded projects across the State, the Program is incredibly oversubscribed and cannot meet all of the State's needs. Therefore, the Commission and Caltrans have developed a [list of additional programs that fund active transportation projects and elements](#) to serve as a resource for cities, counties, and agencies looking to fund valuable active transportation projects in their communities.

2023 Active Transportation Program Virtual Site Visits

In preparation for the 2023 Active Transportation Program (Cycle 6), ATP staff will be holding virtual site visits for all interested agencies across the state from November 2021 through February 2022. The site visits will allow Cycle 6 applicants the opportunity to discuss upcoming projects with Commission staff. If you are interested in scheduling a site visit, please complete the [2023 ATP Virtual Site Visit Registration online scheduling form](#).

Active Transportation Resource Center

[The Active Transportation Resource Center](#) (ATRC) is funded by the California Transportation Commission's Active Transportation Program. The ATRC utilizes a combination of subject matter experts from state agencies, universities, and consultants to provide active transportation trainings, tools, and technical assistance for current and potential ATP applicants. The ATRC also provides resources for infrastructure and non-infrastructure ATP projects.

Active Transportation Program Engagement Summary

The Active Transportation Program Engagement Summary outlines the extensive outreach and engagement held by California Transportation Commission staff in preparation for the 2021 ATP Cycle. The purpose of the Engagement Summary is to highlight the new approach California Transportation Commission staff took to engage stakeholders in the guideline development process, with the goal of addressing the diverse needs of underrepresented communities. The Engagement Summary discusses the results of the extensive outreach, the lessons learned and where the Program is headed in future cycles.

The [2021 Active Transportation Program Engagement Summary](#) was presented at the March 24-25, 2021 Commission Meeting.

Active Transportation Symposium

The 2019 Active Transportation Program Symposium was a two-day event, October 29 and 30, co-hosted by the California Transportation Commission and Caltrans. The goals of the Symposium were to share and gather information on relevant active transportation topics and issues and allow stakeholders to connect with the State in an alternate setting. The Symposium showcased inspiring speakers, engaging panel sessions, and provided networking opportunities. Topics included benefits, equity, safety, and non-infrastructure projects.

The 2019 Active Transportation Symposium took place at the Ziggurat on 707 3rd Street, West Sacramento, California. [Learn more about the speakers](#) and [watch the Webcast](#) of the two day Symposium.

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