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Safe Routes to School

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Cascade Bicycle Club Feet First Walk & Roll Funding

Empowering Children to Walk & Bike to School

Cascade Bicycle Club and Feet First are excited to offer a mini grant program to get more kids moving more. Let us support your efforts to increase the number of children bicycling and walking to school. We are excited to award funding to 25 school districts across the state toward this goal.

Evidence shows that walking and biking promote positive emotional, mental and physical health outcomes. Physical activity engages students and can help improve attendance as well as classroom learning and performance. Healthy children are healthy learners.

Funding for the mini-grant is provided by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) with support provided by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), Cascade Bicycle Club, and Feet First.

Recipient Eligibility: Public schools grades 5th-8th in Washington State are eligible for funding, however only one award will be made per district. Single schools can apply OR a district can apply if it is confident that it can serve more than one school and fulfill the program requirements. Highest priority will be given to eligible schools who have not already received Safe Routes to School funding.

Project Eligibility: Projects that will be considered for funding include:

- [Walking school buses](#)
- [Bike trains](#)
- [Bike to School and Walk to School events](#)
- [Bike Month](#)
- [Walktober](#)





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Funding may be used for:

- Safety Equipment (e.g. flags, vests, reflectors, bike bells, etc.)
- Stipends for walking school bus or bike train coordinator (**Only eligible** if your school/ district has a higher rate of free and reduced lunch recipients than the state average. In 2016 **the state average is 44%.**)
- Outreach and Awareness (advertisements, posters, mailings, fliers)
- Bike Helmets

Funding Parameters

- Funds will be distributed on a cost reimbursement basis only.
- If your project is selected, your agency will be responsible for completing a **short final report** and providing **three or more photographs** that document the project.
- If you are awarded funds that are used for stipends, **the school or district must document payroll in the form of time sheets, a summary document or some other document displaying dates and hours worked** in order to be reimbursed.
- Any one individual can only receive a **maximum of \$500** in stipend funds.
- Awards will be \$500, \$1000 or \$1500 and granted to a school or district based on eligibility, need and strength of the application.

Project Schedule

We are currently accepting applications on a rolling basis. **Email applications as an attachment to shannonk@cascade.org**. All recipients must complete the project and Reporting Template by June 1, 2017 and **attach a timesheet for any stipend funds**.

Take a look at these resources to help you design your project:

- saferoutesinfo.org
- [SDOT Safe Routes to School Video](#)

Contact Shannon Koller with any questions at shannonk@cascade.org.

