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Partners:



The **Greater Victoria Placemaking Network** and its partners the **Capital Regional District**, **CRD Traffic Safety Commission** and the **Victoria Foundation** invite everyone in Greater Victoria to bring life to the streets this summer and fall.

Living Streets

- The Placemaking Network and the Capital Regional District invite everyone in Greater Victoria to bring life to the streets this Summer.
- Living Streets catalyzes vibrant public spaces, active transportation and good health through car-free streets. Living Streets engages with people to transform our relationship with our communities and with each other.
- The Living Streets program is for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. We will be working with community groups throughout Greater Victoria to create temporary street-closure events for people to walk, run, roll, play, bike and dance.
- The Living Streets program is about providing free and accessible recreation to everyone, connecting and building communities and giving people the chance to explore new neighbourhoods.

Event hosting

Please let us know if you are interested in hosting a Living Streets event. Living Streets encourage a wide range of activities that help promote active transportation and build community. The events are low-cost and easy to organize. The events are fun and can be accommodated on most public streets, for example, routes could include downtown commercial streets, neighbourhood residential streets, industrial streets, and alleys! A Living Streets event can be used to connect nodes of activity, such as commercial districts, neighbourhoods and public parks. Please share this opportunity with others who may be interested in hosting a Living Streets event.

Host a Living Streets event

A localized Living Streets Guide is available to anyone who would like to host an event on the Living Streets website at www.victoriaplacemaking.ca/livingstreets. You can also contact us for more information. Micro-grants are available through the Summer 2016 Living Streets program. Contact us for more information. If you receive a grant, you will be expected to complete a short evaluation of your event.

Programming

In addition to event logistics, we encourage you to organize supporting activities, such as fitness classes and a bike repair workshop, and anything else suited to the event and the interests of your community.

Timing

Living Streets events are encouraged to take place during Summer and Fall 2016. Please let us know when and where you are considering hosting your event and we will help get you started.

Routing

Living Streets routes can be designed to suit your needs and resources (financial, political and human). Some routes will be smaller while others will be larger. A well-planned route takes into consideration accessibility and the community's perception of the event, reaching out to stakeholders in advance so that they are educated about program goals is an important first step. To ensure future support, the events should provide clear and well-managed alternatives for people driving motor vehicles.

Costs

Living Streets events are provided for free to those who attend. However, there are logistical costs associated with hosting an event, except for what may be off-set by stakeholder contributions, in-kind support and/or a micro-grant available through our program.

Your responsibilities

We are here to help! We will assist the you in arranging logistics, publicity, programming and funding, as well as taking the necessary precautions to ensure the events are well.

Contact us

Contact Emmy Marshall-Hill for more information about the 2016 Living Streets program.
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