Urban Trails Initiative

Connecting People ↔ Connecting Neighborhoods

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Circulate San Diego’s Mission Statement

"To create excellent mobility choices and vibrant, healthy neighborhoods."
Urban Trails Are Revitalizing Cities

• Neighborhood identity
• Economic development – Multi-million$
• Low-cost transportation
• Recreation & health
• Reducing crime
• Increasing traffic safety for all users
• A canvas for public art
• Linking neighborhoods and destinations
• Re-purposing underutilized ROW
• Expanding reach of transit services
• Bringing people together
“Vision Zero” Pedestrian Crash Clusters

City of San Diego Pedestrian Collisions 1998-2012

Top 8 corridors:
- University Ave
- El Cajon Blvd
- Broadway
- Market St
- 5th Ave
- Garnet Ave 167 (not pictured)
- Euclid Ave
- Imperial Ave
U.S. Examples
Indianapolis Cultural Trail
Urban Greenway Network
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Atlanta’s BeltLine
Urban Greenway Network

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Houston Bayou Greenways
“P + C = UT”

Placemaking + Bike/Ped Connectivity

- Protected bike lanes
- Lane diet or road diet
- Reconfigured parking
- Parklets
- Landscaping
- Wider sidewalks
- Public art
- Universal design
- Storm water capture and percolation
- Branding!
Faster Implementation Options

- Temporary materials
- Trials and pilots
- Engage residents, businesses, and developers
- Learn from temporary installations before making them permanent
Where to Implement in the City of San Diego

The Urban Trail Concept is consistent with several current Community Plan Updates and Bicycle-Pedestrian Projects now underway.
Midway Area Plan Update

• Sports Arena Blvd. – Linear Park
• Midway Blvd. – Bay to Bay Link Trail
• Pacific Highway – La Playa Urban Trail
District 2 Bike/Walk Committee

Bay to Bay Link via Nimitz Blvd.
SANDAG Uptown Bike Corridor

- Community process engaged right now
- 2016 construction
SANDAG Uptown Bike Corridor
SANDAG Mid-City Bike Corridor
North Park Plan Update

- Schools & Parks Connector
- 30th Street Cycle Track
Southeastern Draft Plan Update

- Market Street Road Diet and Cycle Track
- City Staff Considering Market Street Urban Greenway for ATP Grant
Encanto Draft Plan Update

Continuation of Market Street Road Diet and Cycle Track
Downtown Complete Streets Mobility Plan

- Civic SD encouraged us to pursue temporary design on 14th Street (CEQA-cleared)
- Permanent design is about 2 years away.
A System of Urban Trails or Greenway Network
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SANDAG Projects Underway

Regional Bike Network

Regional Wayfinding System
For More Information

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“The lack of resources is no longer an excuse not to act. The idea that action should only be taken after all the answers and the resources have been found is a sure recipe for paralysis. It is supremely arrogant to believe that planning can be done only after every possible variable has been controlled.”

-- Jaime Lerner
Former mayor of Curitiba, Brazil