



Background

The City of Santa Barbara is creating a Community Paseo network to make it easy for everyone to connect across town whether they choose to drive, walk, bike, scoot, or skate. Two initial Paseos – the Westside and Eastside Community Paseos – will add key walking and biking improvements to streets with historically low vehicular traffic. New signage will signify that these community corridors are bicyclist and pedestrian-friendly, and that drivers should expect to see more walkers and cyclists.

Community Paseos will connect residents to neighborhood schools, parks, and community centers. Funding for these enhancements is provided by state grants to improve mobility for all users throughout neighborhoods.

Key Features

- Improved Crosswalks
- Safer Bike Routes
- Traffic Signals
- Shorter Street Crossings
- Access Ramps
(for wheelchairs, strollers, etc.)
- New Street Lighting
- Improved Signage
- Landscaped Peninsulas for Bikes, Pedestrians, Strollers, etc.

Design, Architectural Board of Review & Historic Landmarks Commission

Construction

Westside Community Paseo



.. 2020 2021 2022



Eastside Community Paseo

Design, Architectural Board of Review

Construction



Westside Community Paseo



The Westside Community Paseo will connect:

- 4 schools (La Cumbre Jr High, SB Community Academy, Harding, SB High)
- 3 parks (Alameda, Alice Keck & Bohnett)
- westside & downtown businesses
- with features along Gillespie, San Pascual, Micheltoarena, Dutton, Sola, Panchita, Alta Vista, San Andres, Mission, Castillo, Santa Barbara, Victoria, and Garden

Eastside Community Paseo

The Eastside Community Paseo will connect:

- 6 schools (SB Jr High, Adalante Charter, Franklin, Alta Vista Alternative, La Cuesta, Antioch)
- 2 parks (Ortega & Vera Cruz)
- 1 community center (Franklin)
- 1 library (Eastside)
- eastside & downtown businesses
- with features on State, Ortega, Cota, Haley, N Quarantina, Canon Perdido, Alisos, & E Yanonali



Expectations

Improving walking and biking facilities gives us the ability to choose how we want to get around town whether for work, play, school, or daily outings. By focusing on low vehicular-volume streets, there is room for added walking and biking, and drivers can expect a neighborhood atmosphere.



Future Paseos

State Street - Paseo Centro

In the future, State Street may become signed as Paseo Centro, because it already features wide sidewalks and bike lanes. State Street acts as a spine to the Community Paseo system connecting locals and visitors to additional walking Paseos that already exist downtown with new bicycle connections across town.

Vision Zero

Santa Barbara's Vision Zero strategy is to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, and equitable mobility for all. The Community Paseo network builds on the community aspect of Vision Zero by improving walking and bike riding facilities, and helping everyone enjoy a neighborhood experience throughout the city.

