FACT SHEET: Bike & Pedestrian

Homestead Road Safe Routes to School Improvements

Overview

The Homestead Road Safe Routes to School Project upgrades pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure on 1.5 miles of Homestead Road (Foothill Expressway to Hollenbeck Avenue/Stelling Road) in Los Altos, Cupertino, Sunnyvale, and Unincorporated Santa Clara County. Additionally, it will make pedestrian improvements on segments of Vineyard Drive and Bernardo Avenue, signalize the Fallen Leaf Lane/Homestead Road intersection, and improve pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure at the State Route 85/Homestead Road interchange.



Objectives

Homestead Road is the main east-west road that connects four jurisdictions and three schools. It also connects to a bicycle/pedestrian bridge over I-280 providing access to jobs and business in Cupertino. Today many families use Homestead Road to travel to and from work or school. However, due to gaps in sidewalks and trails and uncomfortable biking conditions, many who would like to walk or bike elect to drive. The project improves safety for students walking and biking to West Valley Elementary School, Cupertino Middle School, and Homestead High School.

Project Cost

The total project cost is \$24.5 million. The environmental phase has been funded. Funding for final design and construction phases has not been finalized.

Project Schedule

Preliminary Design

Complete

Environmental Clearance
& Final Design

24 months (start date pending funding)

Project Features

- The project will widen existing sidewalks, build sidewalks where they do not exist today, modify the ramp to State Route 85 so it is safer for pedestrians and bicyclists to cross, construct curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act requirements, paint new highvisibility crosswalks, and add curb extensions at intersections so pedestrians have more space to wait at the corner and a shorter distance to cross.
- The project will add a physical barrier between the existing bike lane and motor vehicle lanes, widen and extend a bicycle and pedestrian path, provide bike turns/ waiting spaces in medians, and modify traffic signals to improve bicycle detection.
- The project will also add a signal at the intersection of Homestead Road and Fallen Leaf Drive to make it easier for bicyclists and pedestrians to cross.

How to Reach Us

Construction

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A multi-use path ends abruptly, causing bicyclists to ride on the narrow sidewalk, ride against the flow of vehicle traffic, or cross the road at an unmarked location to get into the proper bike lane.



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Planned improvements include upgrading existing bike lanes to separated bikeways.