Cupertino High School Student Distributes Free Bike Lights

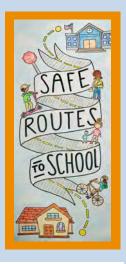
On Friday, February 28, Cupertino High School student, Juliet Shearin, handed out 55 sets of bike lights to her fellow classmates. Everyone was happy to receive the lights, especially once they were told the lights are rechargeable. Juliet intentionally did not advertise the event but instead made a sign to alert students that free bike lights were being passed out. Juliet wisely positioned herself at the school's bike racks so students who regularly bike to school would get the bike lights. Cupertino Safe Routes to School loves to see student-led initiatives that encourage walking and biking to school. If you have an idea that you would like support implementing at your school, please reach out to our team at: saferoutes@cupertino.org.





SR2S Street Light Banner

In 2019, we conducted a high school art competition that resulted in six new Safe Routes to School themed street light banner designs. Over the coming months, we'll be highlighting each of these designs in our newsletter. This month's design is entitled, "Getting to School Safely" by Indira Abhyanker, which you can view and read about to the right.



Stay Healthy, Stay Active

Santa Clara County's March 31st Shelter in Place Order continues to allow residents to walk or bike to perform Essential Needs such as shopping and exercising, so long as social distancing guidelines are followed. Getting exercise and fresh air daily can calm nerves and contribute to good health during these challenging times. Cupertinians are lucky to live in a city where most essential destinations are an easy walk or bike ride away. While we shelter in place, consider walking or biking every day either to get exercise or to get to your essential destination instead of driving. Stay healthy by staying active!

Getting to School Safely By Indira Abhyanker

My design has a ribbon banner that symbolizes a road. The yellow dashed lines, that are usually in the middle of a road, connect the house (at the bottom) and the school (on top) to show a "route" to school. My artwork aligns with the theme of active and sustainable transportation because along the path, there are kids walking, biking, and scootering, which are all healthy and environmentally friendly ways to get to school. I hope my banner will inspire our community to make a cleaner, safer Cupertino.

Fall Travel Data

Cupertino's fall 2019 student travel data report is now posted on our website: cupertino.org/saferoutes/data.

View the new report <u>here</u>.