



Bumps and patchwork fixes like these will be a thing of the past on several Davis bike paths.

Bike Paths to Benefit from Stimulus Money

Federal stimulus dollars will benefit Davis in a noticeable way this summer when the city replaces approximately 68,000 square feet of asphalt bike paths with concrete in eight different locations. The city's current standard recommends concrete for bike paths since it is much more durable than asphalt. Bike paths get a lot of use, and they are often surrounded by trees and vegetation. While the trees provide needed shade and a lovely ambiance, tree roots can also wreak havoc underneath the pathways, making them dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians. In addition to the concrete work, this project will also involve careful pruning where roots currently extend underneath the bike path. Root barriers will be installed to redirect roots headed toward the bike paths.

The improvements will occur on the following bike paths:

- Walnut Park connector from Lillard Drive to Walnut Park

- Harper Junior High (west side) from Covell to Ascada Place
 - Evergreen Greenbelt from Covell Blvd (west of 113) to the bike bridge at Santa Rosa Street
 - Veterans Memorial Building frontage at 203 East 14th Street
 - East side of Anderson Road from Catalina to Peregrine Ave.
 - West side of Anderson Road from Barcelona to Catalina Dr.
 - Northstar Perimeter Bike path along Sandpiper Dr.
 - Lake Boulevard (west side) from Lake Terrace Circle to 919 Lake Boulevard (club field)
- The city of Davis is receiving \$600,000 in economic stimulus money, which will pay for two-thirds of this project's cost. City path maintenance funds will cover the remainder of the costs. These improvements should be completed by fall 2009.
- For more information, contact the Public Works Department at (530) 757-5686.

May is Bike Month

The entire community is being challenged to ride their bicycles more and drive less during May. Complete up-to-date information can be found on the city's web site: www.cityofdavis.org

May 1 to May 31: May is Bike Month

The citizens of Davis and the entire region are part of a Million Mile May challenge to use bicycles to commute and run errands. By registering at: www.mayisbikemonth.com you can track the number of pounds of CO2 and other pollutants that are prevented from entering the atmosphere as a result of the more than 1 million bicycle miles during May in the Sacramento region.

May 2: Shop by Bike Downtown
Central Park, E Street Plaza & Downtown Businesses
11:00 a.m. Check in first at Central Park with the bicycle you rode downtown and receive a free canvas shopping bag from the Davis Downtown Business Association.

■ Noon to 2:00 p.m. at E Street Plaza: Free bike baskets (while supplies last) installed when you show downtown Davis purchase receipts for shopping on May 2.

For more information: tgoddard@cityofdavis.org or joy@davisdowntown.com

May 2: UC Davis Bike Auction
West Entry Parking Structure
8:00 am to 2:00 pm

■ Choose from over 400 used and "fixer upper" bicycles that will go to the highest bidder. Produced by the Transportation and Parking Services at UC



Davis and they will accept cash, check and major credit cards.

For more information go to: <http://taps.ucdavis.edu/bicycle/auctions/> or contact David Takemoto-Weerts at (530) 752-BIKE or dltakemotoweerts@ucdavis.edu

May 9: Davis Cyclebration at Farmer's Market

Central Park
8:00 am to 1:00 pm

■ Ride your bicycle to the Davis Farmer's Market to participate in "Bike to the Market Day." Join the city, university and community in celebrating Mother's Day during the Whole Earth Festival. Free bike baskets (while supplies last) and information.

Produced by Davis Bicycles! More information can be found at: <http://www.davisbicycles.org/> or by e-mailing: info@davisbicycles.org

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Second Street Corridor Improvement Project

Beginning July 6, Second Street in downtown Davis will begin a transformation to become more pedestrian friendly. The four intersections between C and F Streets will receive the "bulb-out" treatment to shorten the crossing distances and improve accessibility.

Two designated bus stops will be created and on-street parking spaces will be re-stripped resulting in a net increase of available parking. The landscaping and lighting at each corner will be dramatically improved with the addition of new trees, shrubs and light fixtures.

While the project construction work is underway, the storm drainage system on Second Street will undergo an extensive upgrade. The entire stretch of Second Street between B and G Streets will also be resurfaced before the project is completed.



Pedestrian walkways will remain open during the project with minor detours. Street closures will be limited and a phased project schedule will minimize traffic diversions.

The approximately \$700,000 project will be funded with federal economic stimulus monies. The Second Street Corridor Project is scheduled to be completed by November.

For more information on this project, contact the City Manager's Office at (530) 757-5602.