

City of Sacramento Active Design Policy Scorecard

Why Does It Matter?

The following is based upon the Goals and Policies embedded in the 2015 General Plan. Active design policies can help support health outcomes and combat chronic diseases such as diabetes, obesity, asthma, and heart disease, while also contributing toward economic development goals, neighborhood beautification, sustainability best practices, and establishing a unique sense of place.



Overall Policy Strength
Strong

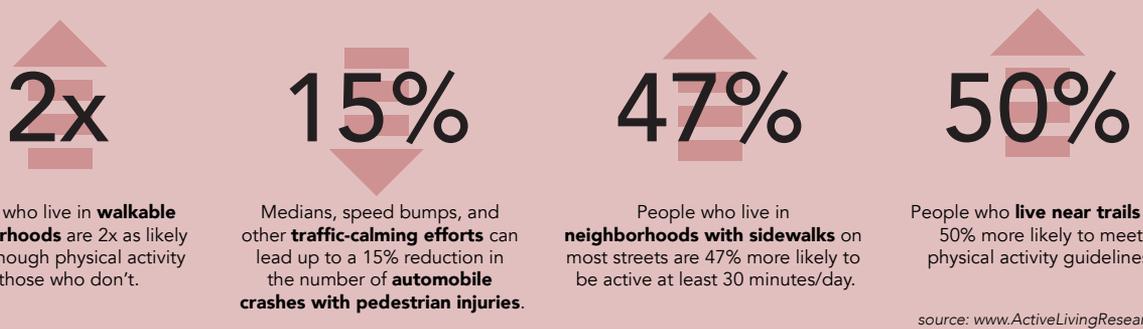
- Committed to a truly active community
- Good foundation, room for improvement
- Few active design policies

HOW DO SACRAMENTO'S POLICIES STACK UP?

*Based upon the Urban Land Institute "Building Healthy Places Toolkit"

- Incorporate a mix of land uses
- Design well-connected street networks at the human scale
- Provide sidewalks and enticing, pedestrian-oriented streetscapes
- Provide infrastructure to support biking
- Provide high-quality spaces for multigenerational play & recreation
- Support the incorporation of placemaking, public art, and context sensitive design within public-realm projects.

"City Connected and Accessible. Promote the development of an urban pattern of well-connected, integrated, and accessible neighborhoods corridors, and centers.
- General Plan, Goal LU 2.5



Policies are great, but Implementation is key to help make Sacramento more active!



Collaborate more regularly with public health professionals on built environment efforts, including inclusion on development review committees and early partnerships on community development projects.



Pursue opportunities for interconnected Class I bike trails through Downtown and first ring suburbs to better connect jobs and housing with daily needs and recreational opportunities.



Establish priority projects tying bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to infill housing projects that can serve as the backbone for Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) grant applications.

Policy M 3.1.1 Transit for All. The City shall support a well-designed transit system that provides accessibility and mobility for all Sacramento residents, workers and visitors. The City shall enhance bicycle and pedestrian access to stations.

Policy M 4.3.2 Traffic Calming Measures. Consistent with the Roadway Network and Street Typology policies in this General Plan and Goal M 4.3, the City shall use traffic calming measures to reduce vehicle speeds and volumes while also encouraging walking and bicycling.



Great job! More policies like these.