

## Community Based Transportation Planning Grants

### Los Angeles County Bike Station Clean Transit Implementation Plan

- **Grant Recipient:** Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)/ Bike Station Coalition
- **County:** Los Angeles

**Project Area** - Los Angeles County

**Project Focus** - Los Angeles County (County) has some of the worst traffic congestion and air pollution in the country. In the last decade, the area's population increase was the highest in the state, and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) projects another 1.3 million people by 2010. The purpose of the County Bike Station Clean Transit Implementation Plan is to lay the groundwork for development of a network of Bike Station clean transit centers throughout the County. The result of this effort is to increase the number of commuters using alternative transportation in an effort to reduce vehicular emissions and congestion, as well as enhance the livability and mobility of this highly congested urban area.

**Project Goals** – The project addresses the strong need for the region wide planning and networking of multi-modal facilities that provide connections between jobs, housing, and the County's growing mass transit lines. After five years of success, Bikestation Long Beach demonstrates that given appropriate facilities, commuters will use alternative means to commute.

**Community Outreach** – Public participation for this project included forming a Technical Advisory Committee, which was comprised of representatives from each of the communities' project partners and technical experts. Also, multiple meetings with representatives of each committee, end-user demand and user pricing surveys at three Metro Stations were conducted. And finally, a bicycle parking survey of 15 different transit agencies and municipalities countrywide was completed.

**Project Outcome**- Implementation plans for Bike Station clean transit centers at four Metro Line Stations: North Hollywood Metro Red Line Station; Mission Metro Blue Line Station (South Pasadena); Del Mar Metro Blue Line Station (Downtown Pasadena); and the Sierra Madre Villa Metro Blue Line Station (eastern Pasadena) were developed. These public facilities will provide a range of clean transit options and services to enhance and encourage multi-modal transportation to, from, and within each of the implementation areas.

#### **Planning Goals Realized** -

- Reduce dependence on single occupant vehicle trips;
- Foster neighborhoods and project designs that enable more walking and biking;
- Reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality.

