Conducting Walk and Bike Audits (4 contact hours)

Description:
The course provides instruction on how local communities can determine if there is a pedestrian or bicyclist safety issue in certain neighborhoods or along particular corridors. It explains common causes of real and perceived safety issues and shows how walk/bike audits can identify problems using local knowledge and professional expertise. Instructors will review different types of walk and bike audits, helpful resources, such as walkscore.com, and special considerations around intersections, schools, and other potential conflict points and sensitive land uses. During the training, instructors will lead participants on a mock walk or bike audit at a nearby location that poses safety challenges to pedestrians and/or bicyclists.

What you will learn:
Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to lead an informal walk or bike audit in their communities. They will be aware of the resources and tools available to guide audit planning, data collection, public participation, and interpretation of audit results. Ultimately, participants should be able to use their walk/bike audit experiences to create positive change in their communities. All workshops will provide attendees with public domain continuing education units (CEUs).

Who you should invite:
• Local transportation agencies
• Regional transportation agencies/metropolitan planning agencies (MPOs)
• Local board and commission members
• Transit agencies
• School administrators
• Police departments
• Elected officials
• Neighborhood/civic associations
• Bicycle and pedestrian advocacy groups
• Disability advocacy groups
• Service-oriented groups
• Local businesses
• Developers
• Health and safety groups/community health programs
• Underserved communities

How to apply:
To apply for an Active Transportation Academy training at NO COST to your agency or organization, please visit: bit.ly/Active-Transportation-Academy-Application to submit an online application. If awarded, you will be contacted to finalize workshop details. All applications are accepted on a rolling basis and awards are subject to instructor scheduling and availability of funds.

Who can apply:
Local government agencies (i.e. regional metropolitan transportation agencies, health departments, parks and recreation departments, etc.). Non-profit organizations may apply if they partner with a local government agency. A minimum of fifteen participants is required to host a session.

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