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SJCOG funds over \$20 million in bicycle, pedestrian and safe routes to school projects across the San Joaquin Region

Making San Joaquin a bike-friendly destination



San Joaquin Council of Governments' (SJCOG) Board of Directors on March 25, 2021, approved \$20.4 million in funding for bicycle, pedestrian and Safe Routes to School projects. A [list of projects](#) can be found at SJCOG.org. This is the largest single such investment by SJCOG in the history of its grant program known as [Active Transportation Program \(ATP\)](#). Recognizing the need for safe, year-round active transportation, SJCOG combined a mix of state and federal dollars with San Joaquin County's half-

cent sales tax [Measure K](#), thereby moving on so many projects at once.

"I'm very proud that SJCOG provided more than \$20 million to help the county and every city in the San Joaquin region construct a range of bicycle, pedestrian and Safe Routes to School projects. This showcases SJCOG's commitment to provide travel options, which will make a real difference in the lives of San Joaquin County residents," said SJCOG Board Chair Sol Jobrack. "Some of this funding is from the Measure K Program, delivering on the promise made for more bike lanes in each community and safe travel for kids walking or bicycling to school."

The [active transportation projects](#) range from bicycle planning to the construction of small and large infrastructure improvements. Collectively, the package of projects help implement SJCOG's [Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy](#). This plan serves as the region's comprehensive long-range transportation planning guide for connected communities and diverse transportation choices.

“One of SJCOG’s objectives as a regional transportation planning agency is to strengthen the connectivity between walking, bicycle, public transit and other travel options. This infusion of dollars will build projects that improve air quality and foster economic health to San Joaquin’s dynamic communities,” said Executive Director Diane Nguyen.

About SJCOG

The San Joaquin Council of Governments is a regional planning agency responsible for transportation planning, habitat conservation planning, and a range of other responsibilities that include managing the Measure K transportation sales tax program as well as demographic and economic data, air quality and airport land use planning. The operating budget for the agency is over \$13 million and SJCOG programs and apportions out approximately \$150 million in transportation investments annually. Visit the [SJCOG website](#) for more information.