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## **Cities of Dublin & Pleasanton and Las Positas College Celebrate Bicycle Safety and Awareness Month in May with Bike to Work and School Events**

(DUBLIN/LIVERMORE/PLEASANTON) — May marks the month of Bicycle Safety and Awareness in the cities of Dublin and Pleasanton and at Las Positas College in Livermore. In the Tri-Valley, the cities will host several events to promote bicycle safety and bicycling as a healthy way to travel, including the **Bay Area's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Bike to Work Day** where thousands of commuters are expected to participate. On May 8, **Energizer Stations** will be set up where cyclists can stop and enjoy refreshments, receive free bike t-shirts at select locations and commute bags, while supplies last, as well as sign up for a local drawing for prizes donated by numerous local businesses. The cities of Dublin and Pleasanton, along with BART, Hacienda Business Park, a Big Wheel Sponsor of Bike to Work Day, and Dublin Cyclery will host an Energizer Station at the East Dublin/Pleasanton BART station\* from 6:30 - 9:00 a.m. Las Positas College will host one on campus from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Additional Energizer Stations are planned from 7:00 - 9:00 a.m. at the West Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station\*, hosted by REI Dublin and the cities of Dublin & Pleasanton, Stanley Boulevard at Shadow Cliffs hosted by Alameda County Public Works Agency, Alamo Canal Trail at Johnson Drive/580 hosted by Clubsport Pleasanton and from 7:00 - 8:30 a.m. at Pleasanton's Foothill High School\*, hosted by Foothill High's Earth Club, Alameda County Safe Routes to School and City of Pleasanton. *\*FREE T-shirt station, while supplies last*

In addition to the May 8 activities, numerous events are planned in the Tri Valley to promote bicycling:

- **Free Bicycle Safety Workshops** in Dublin and Pleasanton. Classes range from on-road, on-your-bike instruction to family bike workshops. For dates and to register for the free classes, visit [www.ebbc.org/education](http://www.ebbc.org/education).
- **Dublin "Bike to the Market" Booth - Thursday, May 15**, from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., at the Dublin Farmers' Market. Cyclists visiting the booth with evidence of bicycling to the event (such as a helmet or bike), will receive a free \$5 "Carrot Cash" voucher to use at one of the market booths.
- **Dublin Flat Tire Repair Clinic - Saturday, May 17**, from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., hosted by the City of Dublin and Dublin Cyclery, on the Iron Horse Trail at the intersection of Amador Valley Blvd.

Bike to School events are planned in Dublin and Pleasanton:

- **Dublin Bike to School Days - Thursday, May 8**, at Dougherty, Dublin, Frederiksen, Green, and Murray Elementary Schools and at Wells Middle School. **Tuesday, May 13**, at Kolb Elementary School. Students will receive bicycle safety-related tips and giveaways.
- **Dublin High School Bike to School Day & Bike Festival - Friday, May 23**; an Energizer Station distributing refreshments and giveaways to cyclists will be located adjacent to the bike storage area. The Bike Festival will be held during lunch that day with a Bike Blender and Bike Trivia Wheel.
- **Pleasanton Bike to School Days - Wednesday, May 7**, at Hart Middle School and Harvest Park Middle School, **Thursday, May 8**, at Pleasanton Middle School. The schools will host Energizer Stations at the schools' bike storage areas beginning at 8:00 a.m., where staff and student cyclists will be greeted with refreshments and goody bags filled with bicycle safety items. Free helmet fittings and giveaways as well as free bike tune-ups occurred during the month of April to prepare students for Bike to School days. Bike tune-ups were provided by the BikeMobile.
- **Foothill High School Bike to School Day - Thursday, May 8**, from 7:00 - 8:30 a.m. Stop by Foothill High's Energizer Stations located in the front of school and at the bike storage area for refreshments as well as free t-shirts and commute bags, while supplies last.

Numerous local businesses have donated items toward the FREE bike bags available at Energizer Stations and a local prize drawing for participants at bike events throughout the month of May. Dublin businesses include: Peet's Coffee, Earl Anthony Bowl, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Rockin' Jump, Half Price Books, Big 5 Sporting Goods, Get Fit Yoga, Buffalo Wild Wings, Athens Burgers, Sports Authority, BJ's Brewhouse Restaurant and Extreme Pizza. Pleasanton businesses include Trader Joe's, Sweet & Savory Cafe and Bakery, Red Smoke Grill, Extreme Pita, The Habit Burger Grill, and Maui Wowi Coffee & Smoothies.

For more information on Dublin events, visit [www.dublin.ca.gov/bikemonth](http://www.dublin.ca.gov/bikemonth); for Pleasanton events, visit [www.pleasantongreenscene.org/transportation](http://www.pleasantongreenscene.org/transportation); and for Las Positas College events, visit <http://www.laspositascollege.edu>, under News & Events.

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