

# Walk This Way: Advocating a Path for Safer Streets

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# Overview

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# Walk Audit Refresher

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## WHY?

Many communities are designed with automobile travel, with little consideration for those walking and biking in the neighborhood. Environments not always conducive to walking or biking to destinations.

## HOW ?

- Observation
- Walk Around School
- Document Observation
- Generate Ideas
- Walk Audit Report

## Key Stakeholders Involved:

- Schools
- Community
- Public Works Department
- Engineers
- Police Department
- Public Health
- Board of Supervisors
- Commissioners
- Community Based Organizations
- Senior Centers
- Day Cares
- *ANYONE who walks in the area!*

# Equity

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## **Many residents don't have a choice and walk out of necessity**

- There is often an emphasis on adding bike lanes, but we need to remember those who don't have bikes
- Historical Transportation Inequities
- Underserved communities often lack the appropriate infrastructure to walk or bike safely
- Limited Resources/Funding

# 8/80 Concept

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If everything we do in our cities is great for an 8 year old and an 80 year old, then it will be better for all people.

“All cities need a **2 word law**: Pedestrians First.”

~Gil Penalosa

# Success Story: Sunset Ridge

Before

After



## Hickey Blvd & Inverness Dr

- Installed Curb extensions with paint and flexible delineators.
- Painted high-visibility crosswalks and added advanced limit lines.

## Inverness Dr & Horizon Way

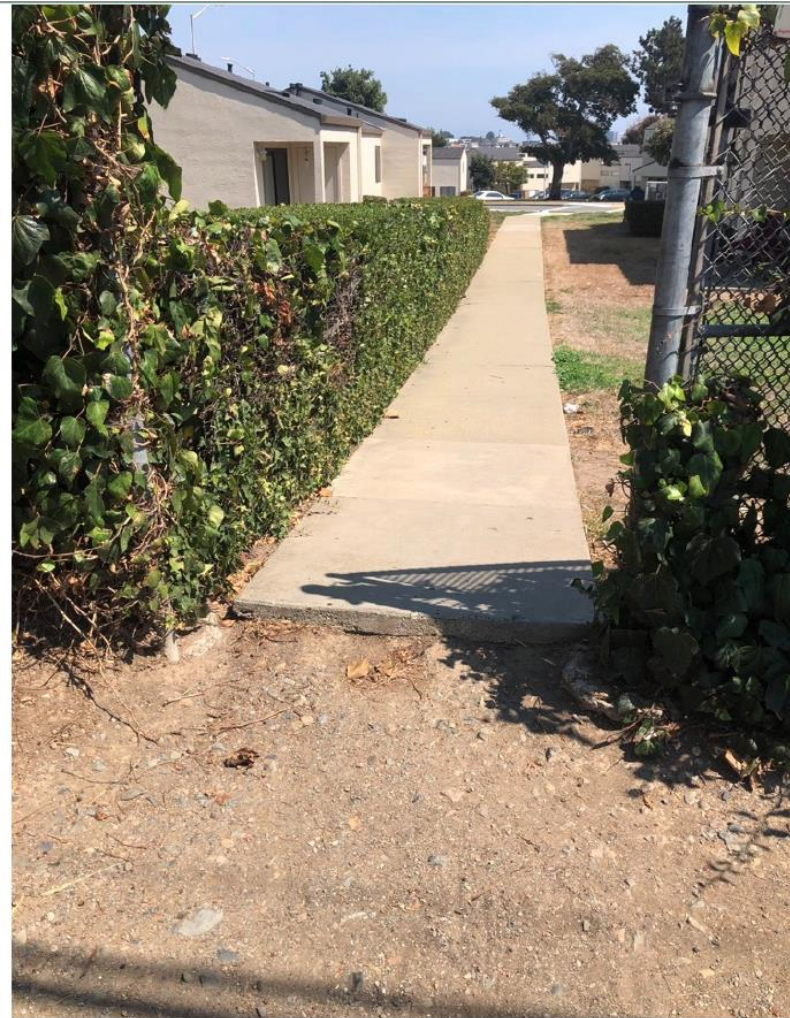
- Added a high-visibility crosswalk on Horizon Way at Inverness Drive, stop line, and ADA compliant curb ramps.
- Added a high-visibility mid-block crosswalk across Inverness Drive in front of the school, installed ADA compliant curb ramps, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs), and shark teeth pavement markings to inform drivers to yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk.
- Added bicycle boulevard signs and pavement markings along Inverness Drive, including 25 mph markings.

# Success Story: Woodrow Wilson



# Success Story: Los Cerritos

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# Walk Audits 2023-2024

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<b>Alta Planning + Design</b>	<b>Mark Fenton</b>
Clifford Elementary (RWC)	Buri Buri/Alta Loma (SSF)
Roy Cloud Elementary (RWC)	Las Lomas Elementary (Atherton/Menlo Park)
Costaño Elementary (EPA)	Woodside High School* (RWC/Woodside)
Hillsdale High School (SM)	George Washington Elementary* (Daly City)
Parkway Heights Middle School (SSF)	Walk Audit Training

\* Our Voice

# Join Us

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We would love to have you at our next walk audit!

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**THANK YOU!**

