

# Vision Zero Quick-Build Project Updates

January 2023

## Recently Approved

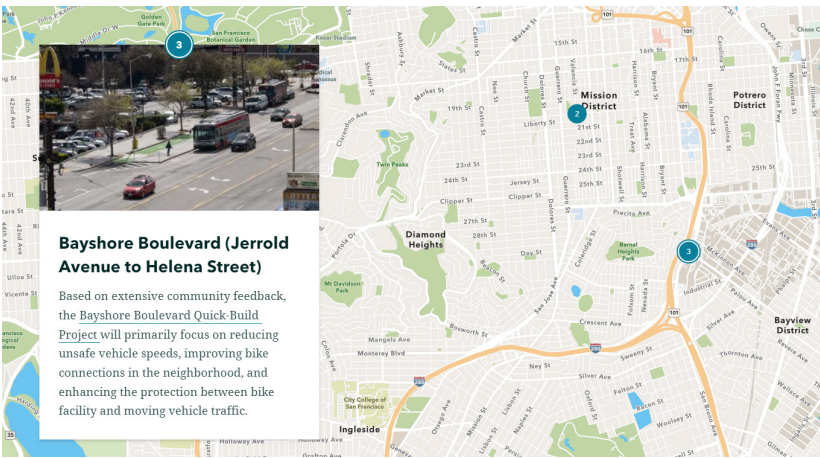


### Lake Merced Quick-Build Project

The Lake Merced Quick-Build Project was approved at the January 17th SFMTA Board of Directors meeting. This project will include lane narrowing on segments of Lake Merced Boulevard from Skyline Boulevard to John Muir Drive, promoting traffic calming and allowing for multimodal street improvements. It will implement safety and comfort improvements for people walking and biking, including 2 miles of concrete protected bikeways, enhanced crosswalks, refreshed striping, new curb ramps, and 7 new transit boarding islands. The project will add safe pedestrian and bike connections to and along Lake Merced Boulevard.

For more information about the Lake Merced Quick-Build Project and to sign up for updates, please visit [SFMTA.com/LakeMercedQB](https://www.sfmta.com/LakeMercedQB).

## Program Highlights



Happy new year! The Vision Zero Quick-Build Program recently assembled an interactive summary highlighting major quick-build corridor projects of 2022 and giving a preview into what's planned for 2023.

Check out the 2022 Vision Zero Quick-Build Program highlights!

## Planning in Progress



### Sloat Boulevard Quick Build Project

The Sloat Quick-Build Project aims to improve safety for all users and enhance active transportation options on Sloat Boulevard between Skyline Boulevard and the Great Highway, connecting Lake Merced, San Francisco Zoo, and Ocean Beach. The project will upgrade pedestrian crossings, add a two-way protected bikeway, improve accessibility, and consider other measures to reduce vehicle speeds while keeping traffic moving. The project supports implementing goals and priorities identified in the Ocean Beach Master Plan, Vision Zero Action Strategy, and District 4 Westside Study. It is part of a suite of changes ahead of the planned Great Highway Extension closure south of Sloat Boulevard, and will be implemented in mid-to-late 2023 in coordination with other nearby projects.

For more information about this project, check out the project website at [SFMTA.com/SloatQB](https://www.sfmta.com/SloatQB).



### Hyde Street Quick Build Project

The Hyde Street Quick-Build Project in the Tenderloin neighborhood has been working closely with community organizations, including Tenderloin People's Congress, the Tenderloin Community Benefit District's Safe Passage program, and Code TL, and the general public to better understand priorities and safety needs along Hyde Street. Outreach this month featured several neighborhood pop-ups events, block to block outreach, and a project survey. The survey was available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Arabic, Chinese and Filipino. The survey is now closed, and the project team is currently reviewing community feedback to incorporate into design proposals. Proposals will be shared with the community for review and feedback during our open house period in April.

Please check out the Hyde Street Quick-Build Project website for more information or sign up for project updates at [SFMTA.com/HydeQuickBuild](https://www.sfmta.com/HydeQuickBuild).



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February 2023

## Next Up for Approval



### Valencia Bikeway Improvements

After extensive community outreach and engagement, the Valencia Bikeway Improvements Project designs are updated with new bikeway separation materials and pilot project extents. The project aims to improve overall bicycling safety while balancing loading and curb management needs.

This proposal will be heard at the joint Public Hearing and the SFMTA Board of Directors meeting scheduled for March 2023. The meeting will be held in-person, but you can tune in to watch or give public comment remotely.

Find out more about the project proposal and how to participate at [SFMTA.com/ValenciaBikeway](https://www.sfmta.com/ValenciaBikeway).

## Recently Completed



### Battery/Sansome Quick-Build Project

The Battery/Sansome Quick-Build Project has recently completed construction, and the first protected two-way bikeway in the Financial District is open for use! Segments of both corridors were previously bike routes where bicyclists navigated through mixed traffic. This project consolidates the north-south protected bike connection through the Financial District onto one corridor. In addition to the enhanced network connection, this project improves safety and predictability for all traveling on the corridors, while managing peak hour traffic with part-time tow-away no stopping zones.

For more information about the project, check out [SFMTA.com/BatterySansomeQB](https://www.sfmta.com/BatterySansomeQB).



## Next Quick-Build Corridor Projects



The Vision Quick-Build Program was created in 2019 to streamline safety projects through a variety of policy and construction process improvements. Since then, the program has grown to be of the most efficient and dynamic methods for treating dozens of corridors and intersections throughout every part of San Francisco. As projects reach completion, more are queued up for design and construction.

Quick-build improvements are coming to the following locations and more:

- Beach Street, from The Embarcadero to Van Ness Avenue
- Larkin Street, from Market Street to Geary Street
- Cesar Chavez Street, from Pennsylvania Avenue to Maryland Street
- Clarendon Avenue, from Laguna Honda to Johnstone Street
- Guerrero Street, from Market Street to 20th Street
- Lincoln Way, from 22nd Avenue to the Great Highway
- JFK Drive / Oak Street / Fell Street





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March 2023

## Recent Public Hearing



### Bayshore Boulevard Quick-Build Project

After extensive community outreach and positive feedback, the Bayshore Quick-Build Project was scheduled on the March 17, 2023 Engineering Public Hearing to receive additional public comments. While most of the project’s design elements may advance after the public hearing, some remaining design elements (including tow-away zones) require SFMTA Board of Directors approval, and those proposed items will be scheduled for a SFMTA Board of Directors meeting late spring/early summer.

For more information about the project, check out [SFMTA.com/BayshoreQuickBuild](https://sfmta.com/BayshoreQuickBuild).

## Next Up for Approval



### Valencia Bikeway Improvements

The mid-Valencia pilot project proposal was scheduled to be heard at a joint public hearing and SFMTA Board of Directors meeting on March 7, 2023, but was postponed until a later date in order to collect more community input and ensure an effective design.

The project team has confirmed that the new date for the public hearing and review for project approval will be April 4, 2023.

Find out more about the project proposal and how to participate at [SFMTA.com/ValenciaBikeway](https://sfmta.com/ValenciaBikeway).

## Quick-Build Celebration

### Battery/Sansome Quick-Build Project

This month, the Battery/Sansome Quick-Build Project held a ceremony with local government and community leaders, including the Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association and Downtown SF Partnership, to celebrate the substantial completion of the first two-way protected bike lane in the Financial District. During the gathering, District 3 Supervisor and Board President Aaron Peskin emphasized the strengthened connection that this completed project establishes between Downtown and Northeast Waterfront neighborhoods.

For more information about the new changes, visit the project webpage at [SFMTA.com/BatterySansomeQB](https://sfmta.com/BatterySansomeQB).



After Quick-Build Improvements on Battery Street



Before Quick-Build Improvements on Battery Street



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April 2023

## Open House Events



### Hyde Street Quick-Build Project

The Hyde Street Quick-Build Project team will be hosting an open house next month! Hyde Street, like every street in the Tenderloin, is on the High Injury Network, the 12% of city streets that account for 68% of severe and fatal collisions. Since 2019, the SFMTA has implemented four quick-builds in the Tenderloin and multiple spot improvements in responses to community advocacy and demand for greater investments in traffic safety in the Tenderloin. The Hyde Street Quick-Build Project has done extensive outreach throughout the Tenderloin, partnering with community-based organizations including Urban Alchemy, Code Tenderloin, and the Curry Senior Center and is excited to showcase the project in an open house!

For more information about the open house event, check out the project website at [SFMTA.com/HydeQuickBuild](https://sfmta.com/HydeQuickBuild).



### Lincoln Way Quick-Build Project

The Lincoln Way Quick-Build Project team is hosting a virtual open house beginning Monday, May 1 to Monday, May 15. A short survey will accompany this online event so community members can provide feedback on proposed designs. The quick-build will stretch along almost the entirety of Golden Gate Park and bring a variety of bike and pedestrian improvements.

The virtual open house will be accessible by visiting the project's webpage at [SFMTA.com/LincolnQB](https://sfmta.com/LincolnQB).



### Sloat Boulevard Quick-Build Project

This week, the Sloat Boulevard Quick-Build Project launched a virtual open house to present proposed designs and solicit feedback. The project features a two-way protected bikeway, pedestrian improvements including painted safety zones, and transit boarding islands for Muni routes 18 and 23. The project will improve routes to the San Francisco Zoo, Lake Merced, and Ocean Beach, and connect to the Great Highway Extension Closure and the Lake Merced Quick-Build Project.

To view the open house materials and other project information, visit [SFMTA.com/SloatQB](https://sfmta.com/SloatQB).



## Under Construction



### Valencia Bikeway Improvements

Following approvals for a 12-month pilot by the SFMTA Board of Directors earlier this month, the Valencia Bikeway Improvements project has begun construction! Construction started this week and will last for a couple of months. Crews have started working at either end of the corridor (15th and 23rd streets) and are working down the corner to install changes as efficiently as possible and minimize disruptions. During the construction period, parking will be prohibited on Valencia Street between 19th and 23rd streets, and active loading will be restricted to the curb. During construction of the pilot design, please use caution, go slow, and look out for all road users. Please be aware of constructions notices and signs.

To stay up to date, please visit [SFMTA.com/Valencia](https://sfmta.com/Valencia) for more details.



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May 2023



## Under Construction



### Valencia Bikeway Improvements

Significant construction progress has been made on Valencia Street this month. Although the center-running protected bikeway is not open yet, SFMTA crews have been busy removing existing roadway striping and painting the new configuration between 19th Street and 23rd Street. New curb changes and loading zones (including dual-use zones and general loading zones) were installed between 14th Street and 17th Street and on side streets. Left turns at all intersections between 19th Street and 23rd Street are now restricted and right turns on red are restricted at specific intersections. Your patience and cooperation is greatly appreciated as city crews continue to implement street and curb changes along Valencia Street associated with the pilot project.

For weekly construction updates and a handy color curb guide, please visit [SFMTA.com/Valencia](https://sfmta.com/Valencia).

## Open House Events



### Hyde Street Quick-Build Project

Join us next month for an upcoming open house event organized by the Hyde Street Quick-Build Project team! Hyde Street, much like other streets in the Tenderloin, falls within San Francisco's High Injury Network — the 12% of city streets that disproportionately account for 68% of severe and fatal collisions. This open house event follows early outreach efforts to respond to community advocacy and the continued demand for enhanced traffic safety investments in the Tenderloin. Input from a series of pop-up events held in December 2022 and January 2023 at community destinations like Curry Senior Center, Turk-Hyde Mini Park, Urban Alchemy Oasis, and UC College of the Law have informed draft designs. The team is thrilled to present the project at the upcoming open house, where you can learn more about the proposed changes!

For additional details regarding the open house event, please visit our project website and sign up for updates at [SFMTA.com/HydeQuickBuild](https://sfmta.com/HydeQuickBuild).



### 17th Street Quick-Build Project

The 17th Street Quick-Build Project team will be sharing the proposed design for a Virtual Open House June 1 through 15! 17th Street is a key connection in San Francisco's bikeway network, linking areas east—like the Dogpatch and Mission Bay—with neighborhoods to the west, such as the Mission and Lower Haight.

The proposed street design on 17th Street applies quick-build treatments to address traffic safety and comfort. This project is proposing the following changes:

- Protected bike lanes
- Protected corners
- On-street parking and loading zone reallocation
- New marked crosswalks

For more information on how to participate and submit feedback, and to view the proposed design (live June 1st), check the project website and sign up for updates at [SFMTA.com/17thStreetQB](https://sfmta.com/17thStreetQB).



## Next Up for Approval



### Sloat Boulevard

This month, the Sloat Boulevard Quick-Build Project held an Engineering Public Hearing to present proposed designs and solicit additional feedback. The project features a two-way protected bikeway, pedestrian improvements including painted safety zones, and transit boarding islands for Muni routes 18 and 23. The project will improve routes to the San Francisco Zoo, Lake Merced, and Ocean Beach, and connect to the Great Highway Extension Closure and the Lake Merced Quick-Build Project. This project is scheduled for approval at an upcoming SFMTA Board of Directors meeting.

To view project information and updates on the upcoming Board of Directors meeting, please visit [SFMTA.com/SloatQB](https://sfmta.com/SloatQB).

## Design Spotlight: Slow Turn Wedges



Slow turn wedges are one type of measure that can contribute to calming right or left turns, dramatically decreasing the risk of a driver hitting a pedestrian or person on a bike. You can find slow turn wedges in a growing number of intersections in San Francisco, including at:

- 10th Street and Folsom Street
- Franklin Street and Broadway
- Gough Street and Sacramento Street
- Leavenworth Street and Sutter Street

### Design Considerations

- Slow turn wedges are a design element that encourages drivers to take turns slower, and at right angles. The safest turning speed is 5 miles per hour and the ideal turn is at a 90 degree angle.
- The raised wedges on the corner give the driver tactile feedback if they go over the wedge.
- It may be paired alongside hardened centerlines and painted safety zones (PSZs) to reinforce turning drivers to approach with reduced speed and extra caution.

### Evaluation Results

In 2020, the SFMTA implemented a pilot project at seven intersections along the high-injury network in a broader effort to make left turns in San Francisco safer through a combination of street design changes, traffic signaling changes, and a culturally competent education campaign. This work resulted in encouraging results: Vision Zero SF released an evaluation report in 2021 documenting that design changes such as slow turn wedges reduced the likelihood of a driver turning left at a speed great than 15 miles per hour by 71 percent, and reduced overall left turning speed by 17 percent.

For more information on the evaluation of slow turn wedges in San Francisco, check out the [Vision Zero Left Turns Report](#).



# Vision Zero Quick-Build Project Updates

July 2023

## Recently Approved



### Sloat Boulevard

The Sloat Boulevard Quick-Build Project was approved at the SFMTA Board of Directors Meeting on July 18 and will now move closer toward implementation. The project features a two-way protected bikeway, pedestrian improvements including painted safety zones, and transit boarding islands for Muni routes 18 and 23. The project will improve routes to the San Francisco Zoo, Lake Merced, and Ocean Beach, and connect to the Great Highway Extension Closure and the Lake Merced Quick-Build Project.

To view project information and future construction updates, please visit [SFMTA.com/SloatQB](https://www.sfmta.com/SloatQB).



### Lincoln Way

The Lincoln Way Quick-Build Project recently hosted a virtual open house, gathering over 800 comments on the project corridor that stretches from Arguello Boulevard to the Great Highway. Many respondents showed their support for proposed project elements, with a significant number calling for even more pedestrian improvements than were proposed.

Based on this feedback, the project team is planning to install 20 new crosswalks, 12 painted safety zones, 16 left turn safety treatments, daylighting at 30 approaches, six signal head upgrades and signal retiming upgrades at 25th and 30th avenues to include leading pedestrian intervals, increased crossing time, and all-reds phases. The project will also be refreshing existing crosswalks and faded pavement messages with new paint.

The project does not require approval by the SFMTA Board of Directors, and installation is planned to begin in Fall 2023.

To view project information, please visit [SFMTA.com/LincolnQB](https://www.sfmta.com/LincolnQB).

## Quick-Build Toolkit Project



The SFMTA is undertaking a new initiative called the Quick-Build Toolkit Project to comprehensively install proven, core safety treatments on all remaining parts of the high-injury network where work remains. Based on a recent assessment of the high-injury network, the SFMTA will implement tools like daylighting, pedestrian head start signal timing, and painted safety zones at specific, targeted locations. Progress will be tracked using a mapping application. This work is a complement to the many corridor redesign projects currently in motion and is key to meeting Vision Zero Action Strategy goals.

