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BIKE SMC



BIKE RESOURCES AND EVENTS



SMC achieved the Bronze level certification from the League of American Cyclists in 2014 for our dedication to making cycling a safe and viable mode of transportation for all students and employees. Join us...because, why wait for the weekend to enjoy sunshine, fresh air and exercise?

Best Routes to SMC

Plan your bike route to utilize low volume, low speed streets and incorporate routes with bike lanes when possible.

EAST <--> WEST NORTH <--> SOUTH

- Ocean Park Blvd. 11th Street
- Broadway Street 16th Street
- Pearl Street 17th Street
- Venice Blvd. 20th Street

[Local Bike Paths](#) - City of Santa Monica Bike Map and Safety information.
[Bike Parking Plan.pdf](#) - Bike Parking Master Plan at SMC



Due to SMC's high bike ridership, we are a target for bike theft. The easiest way to protect your bike against theft is to properly lock your bike. See [Stop Bike Theft Info - Kryptonite.pdf](#) for more information. Don't forget to register your bike with the SMC police department. This will ensure your bike gets back to you if it is impounded or stolen.

Santa Monica College has an active bicycle community. Riding your bike is a great alternative to sitting in traffic and then looking for a parking space...especially with gas prices on the rise! However, biking in Los Angeles can be challenging. Be sure to plan ahead by mapping the safest route possible and following basic safety measures listed below. Thanks to Cliff Bar for their generous support of Bike SMC!



Bike Repair Resources

FREE bike repair every Tue & Thu during club hours at the Pearl Street Bike Lot courtesy of SMC's Bike Club. Get your flats, squeaks, & brakes looked at. If you are a skilled bike mechanic, we are always looking for help. Email us at smcbikeclub@gmail.com

Get FREE "stand time" and bike maintenance support at [Bikerowave](#), a non-profit, volunteer run bike shop on Venice blvd and Centinela. Another perk for paying your AS fees. Just show them your SMC ID card and be prepared to learn to fix your own bike with their help.

DIY bike repair stands, pumps, and tools are available for use at the Pearl Street Bike Lot 24/7.

Join the SMC Bike Club

Interested in helping to build bike culture on campus? The SMC Bike Club organizes rides, provides free repairs, hosts maintenance and safety workshops, and advocates for better biking infrastructure.

facebook.com/SMCBikeClub

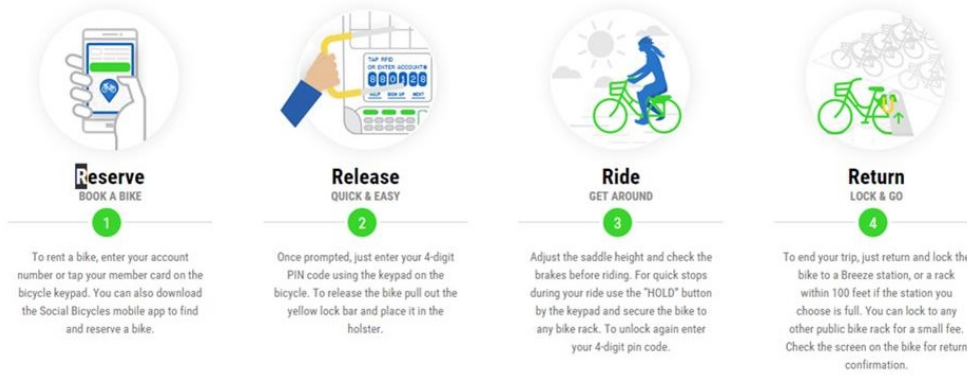
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Rent a Breeze Bike from any campus

- Those green bikes around Santa Monica can be rented by the hour or as a member.
 - Special SMC student member rates at www.santamonocabikeshare.com
 - Mobile app helps find the closest bike and station.
 - Perfect for short trips:
1. Get to campus from a bus or Expo train. Use them to finish your last mile quickly.
 2. Go to lunch, run some errands, or ride between campuses.
 3. Get exercise while enjoying the Santa Monica sunshine every day...not just weekends.

HOW IT WORKS



Safety Tips

We can make bicycling safer for all by observing the following safety tips:

- * Always wear a helmet
- * Obey all traffic controls: these go on your permanent driving record and are very expensive
- * At night, make sure you are visible with a head and rear light, it's not only good sense, it's the law!
- * Ride your bicycle near the right-hand edge of the road
- * Never carry another person on your bicycle
- * Always use hand signals when turning or stopping
- * Bike defensively: look out for cars at cross street, driveways, and parking places
- * Be careful when checking traffic and don't swerve when looking over your shoulder
- * Give pedestrians the right-of-way
- * Keep your bicycle in good condition
- * Always ride carefully

Remember a bicycle is a vehicle. Just like automobiles we are required to follow and abide by all local and state laws. Bicyclists share a complex traffic environment with other larger forms of transportation. Work together to keep everyone safe! [Click to learn about Sharrows and how motorists should be sharing the road.](#)

Additional safety tips:

<http://bicyclesafe.com/>
http://www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffdl37.htm
<http://la-bike.org/resources/safe-biking-tips>
<http://rollingcowboys.com/ride/>

Resources and Services

SMC Campus Police

310-434-4300 • www.smc.edu/police

Register your bike and report collisions.

SMC Center for Environmental and Urban Studies

310-434-3911 • www.smc.edu/ceus

Stocks basic bike repair tools and repair kits. Learn how to join the movement by finding an environmentally focused club or just come and learn how to reduce your eco footprint!

SM Bike Center

310-656-8500 • info@smcbikecenter.com

bikeandpark.com/city/santa-monica

Full-service bike commuting facility (largest in the U.S.)

Showers, lockers, towel service, mechanic services, secure bike parking, bike rentals, bike tours, & Segway tours.

Rack and ride with the BBB

All Big Blue Buses have racks that accommodate most bikes, including kids' bikes (but not tandems).

Bikes are not allowed inside the bus. The Big blue bus is FREE to SMC students with a valid student A.S. Member ID.



LACBC

634 S Spring St Los Angeles, CA 90014

213-629-2142 • la-bike.org/

Local Chapter: SM Spoke

213-626-2141 • smspoke.com

The LACBC Bicycle Resource guide is filled with helpful information about all things related to cycling.

Bikerowave

www.bikerowave.org/

FREE bike repair assistance with valid SMC ID including AS membership sticker.

Stop by the Center for Environmental and Urban Studies to learn more about biking SMC!



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