

Frequently Asked Questions

Are all streets eligible for a Slow Streets program?

No. Slow Streets are exclusively for local residential streets to prevent overcrowding on sidewalks and to facilitate physical distancing in line with public health orders.

Are these 24/7 or at certain times of the day?

Once established, a Slow Streets area will be in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week until COVID emergency orders are lifted or until the City and/or Sponsors decide to end the closure.

Are these full closures or are these streets still open for local pick-up/drop offs?

These are not full closures. Streets are open for local access, emergency vehicles, delivery and drop-off. Streets are closed to through traffic and all vehicles are asked to maintain slow speeds on designated Slow Streets.

Who can apply for a slow street?

The following types of organizations are eligible for a slow street.

- Block Club
- Business Association
- Business Improvement District
- Church
- Council District
- Homeowners Association
- Local Nonprofit/Community-based organization
- Neighborhood Council
- School or Parent Teacher Association

Individuals or a group of individuals are not eligible for a slow street at this time. If you have questions, please email slowstreets@lacity.org.

What are Sponsor Organizations responsible for?

The City of Los Angeles will deploy equipment and signage that explains the rules of the Slow Street. The Sponsor Organizations is responsible for making sure your neighbors are aware of the street closure and the streets that the closure will impact.

The Sponsor org is also responsible for:

- 1. Communicating with the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation on a weekly basis about your slow street.
- 2. Checking in on each street segment to confirm equipment is still intact, signage and messaging materials are in place, and all health guidelines are being followed including social distancing, and active use only.
- 3. Notifying the City when health guidelines, like social distancing and limits on group gatherings, are not being followed. You will not harass your neighbors if they are exhibiting improper behavior.
- 4. Making sure equipment doesn't fall over and picking it back up if it does. If it's missing, broken, or tagged equipment or signage, you should notify the city.
- 5. Notifying the city immediately if you notice crowds building up on the street or people using the street for any activity beyond active use (walking, biking, scooting)
- 6. Encouraging your neighbors to fill out the City's user survey at ladot.lacity.org/slowstreets, a link to which will be posted throughout the closure.

Is there an actual speed limit change on these streets if so? How is it enforced?

We are strongly encouraging local access vehicles to slow down on these streets. Traveling at 15 mph will keep everyone using the streets safe. However, LADOT has not adjusted speed limits in this area.

Where can I see a map of Slow Streets locations?

Slow Streets are not public events. Slow Streets are for local residents only. In order to prevent outside visits and large gatherings, we prefer not to share route maps. Signage will indicate to people driving that they are entering a location where streets are to be shared with pedestrians, biking, and other forms of activity.

What kind of activity is allowed?

Slow streets are for "active use" like jogging, walking, and biking. Face coverings are required, as is true when Angelenos leave their homes. Group sports, activities requiring physical contact, gatherings of any kind, cookouts, and sunbathing are not allowed. Residents are asked to #KeepitMovingLA on Slow Streets.

How will activity be monitored?

LADOT will provide intermittent monitoring at Slow Streets locations; however, sponsor organizations are responsible for monitoring risky behavior and ensuring equipment and signage in the street remains in place. Residents are encouraged to report violations and risky behavior to their sponsor organization or online at ladot.lacity.org/slowstreets. Locations where repeated violations occur may be revoked as a Slow Street.

What about damaged/missing signage? How will LADOT track?

Sponsoring organizations have the responsibility of reporting damaged, vandalized, or stolen signage to LADOT. Residents can also report violations of any kind on our survey or on by emailing slowstreets@lacity.org.

Still have questions? Email us at slowstreets@lacity.org.