

Teamwork Makes Safe Routes Work - Durango

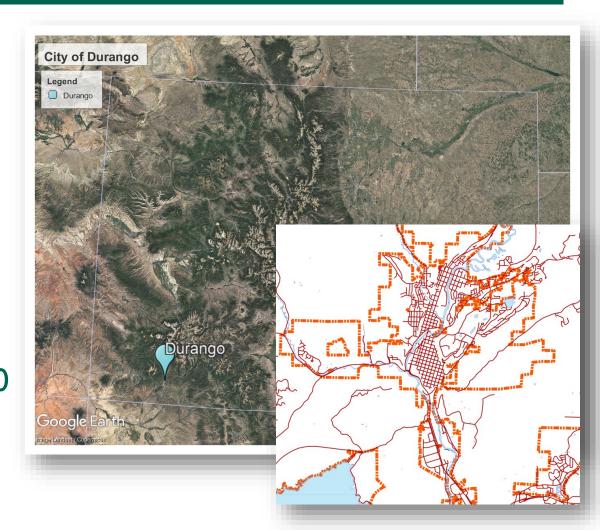
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ABOUT DURANGO

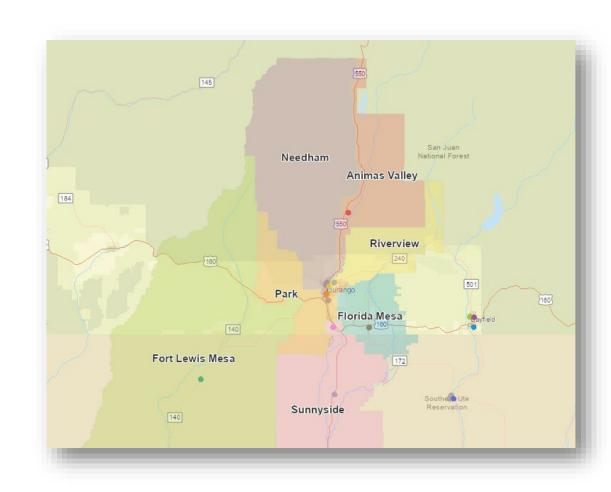
- Located in southwest Colorado
- Population 19,071
 - La Plata County 55,638
- Durango 9-R School District
- 2 charter schools
- Located in foothills of the San Juan Mountains
- Bisected by Animas River and US Hwy 550
- Strong bike culture





DURANGO 9-R SCHOOL DISTRICT

- Serves most of La PlataCounty
- Schools in city limits
 - 3 elementaries
 - 2 middle schools
 - 2 high schools





SRTS PROGRAM





- Managed by the city's Multimodal Division
 - Since 2009
 - Both infrastructure and noninfrastructure initiatives
 - Program funded by grants
- Multimodal Advisory Board
 - Durango 9-R representation
 - Prioritizes infrastructure projects



Infrastructure

- Projects partially funded by SRTS infrastructure grants,
 TAP grants, and local funding
 - Park Elementary
 - Needham Connect
 - SRTS Signage

Non-infrastructure

- Programs mainly funded by SRTS non-infrastructure grants
 - Walk 'n Roll-a-Thons
 - Walk audits
 - Bike Rodeos

OVERVIEW OF SRTS PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

PARTNERS OVER THE YEARS

- Durango 9-R
- Mercy Regional Medical Center
- CDOT
- Healthy Lifestyle La Plata
- San Juan Basin Public Health
- Durango Trails (trails non-profit)
- Durango DEVO (bike organization)
- Durango Police Department

- Durango Fire Protection District
- Rotary Club
- Business Improvement District
- Charter schools
- Children's doctor office



SRTS SIGNAGE PROJECT



Partners:

- Elementary schools, Durango 9-R, San Juan Basin Public Health, Pediatric Partners of the Southwest, City of Durango
- Installed signage around 3 elementary schools
- Need identified by parent surveys, schools, and Multimodal Transportation Plan
- SRTS infrastructure grant with matching funds from dedicated sales and use tax



US HWY 550 RRFB CROSSING



Partners:

- Charter school, CDOT, Business
 Improvement District, City of Durango
- Installed midblock RRFB on US Hwy 550
- Need identified in corridor plan and Multimodal Transportation Plan
- Coordination with CDOT on MMOF fund was impetus for project

BIKE RACKS

- Partnered with the Rotary Club for a CDPHE Quick-win grant
- Funded 28 bike racks
 - 12 went to Rotary Club program
 - 10 went to city parks
 - 6 went to Durango High School
- Project initiated by Rotary Club member's bike parking survey



WALK AUDITS

- Partnered with a charter school to conduct a walk audit
- Created personalized form from AARP and SRTS Partnership materials
- Worked with principal and student leadership team
 - Student leadership team of 28 students
 - Audited 2 main routes
- Data will be used for quick-build opportunities and SRTS maps



COVID IMPACTS AND MOVING FORWARD

Covid impacts

- SRTS programs were paused during the height of the pandemic
- Turnover and vacancies at schools and city have slowed reinstating programs
- Some partnering organizations no longer exist or have changed

Durango SRTS moving forward

- More consistent funding outside of grants
- Expand programs to year-round
- Establish programs at middle schools and high schools
- Create long-term sustainable partnerships with organizations in community



THANK YOU

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