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Community Health and Prevention Programs

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REGARDING: Grant Funds Awarded from the California Office of Traffic Safety and the
Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District

The Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency, Health Education Department has been awarded funds for two grants; the first from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) and the second from the Monterey Bay Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD). Both of these grants compliment, and don't overlap with the activities of the Community Traffic Safety Coalition, funded by TDA funds. A summary of both grants is listed below.

OTS Grant

The Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency has been awarded \$234,745 from the OTS to reduce bicyclist injuries and fatalities and increase helmet compliance by: 1) expanding the Community Traffic Safety Coalition's current countywide bilingual Bicycle Education Program to include bicycle education for middle and high school aged students; 2) providing helmets to approximately 1500 students who demonstrate the greatest need countywide; 3) educating parents of school-aged children on current and relevant traffic laws, specific problems around the school sites, and the importance of modeling safe behavior for their children; 4) increase public awareness around rules and responsibilities for both bicyclists and motorists. This two-year grant begins October 1st, 2005.

MBAPCD Grant

The Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency has been awarded \$20,099 of AB2766 funds from the MBAPCD to build a commuter bike parking facility for the county employees on the Emeline campus. The proposed facility includes a cement slab, iron fencing, iron gate, pass code system, lighting and two 16 bike double-decker bike racks for a total capacity of 32 bikes. This is a two-year grant that begins August 17th, 2005.