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RESOURCES for further info

Street Reclaiming

Street Reclaiming: Creating Livable Streets and Vibrant Communities by David Engwicht, New Society Publishers, 1999

Street Reclaiming: How to get your street back video – for purchase at www.lesstraffic.com or on loan from BEST

www.playforchange.com – for people who want to have some serious fun changing the world

www.lesstraffic.com – a formal source of information on traffic, including info for City officials

www.traffictamers.com – for kids who want to help make streets safer

BEST's Street Reclaiming listserve – join online at www.best.bc.ca or send an empty message to: streetreclaiming-subscribe@best.bc.ca

Sustainable Transportation, Environment, & Climate Change

BEST – Better Environmentally Sound Transportation

www.best.bc.ca (604) 669-2860

- Education, advocacy, and resources promoting sustainable transportation & land-use
- Neighbourhood Streets Program – street reclaiming materials, video (on loan), networking, and community support
- Trip Reduction Services & training for workplaces, communities, & secondary schools
- Active Transportation – Bike Month campaign & communications materials

Active and Safe Routes to School (including Walking School Bus Programs)

Way to Go! School Program (BC)
www.waytogo.icbc.bc.ca 1-877-325-3638

Travel alternatives for elementary schools; resource kit includes walking school bus program and other tools for parents

Greenest City (Ontario)
www.greenestcity.org 1-866-588-0788

Go for Green (rest of Canada)
www.goforgreen.ca 1-888-2848

Car Sharing

North American Car Sharing Network - www.carsharing.net

Cooperative Auto Network, Greater Vancouver - www.cooperativeauto.net
(604) 685-1393; links to car sharing in Victoria, Toronto, Quebec City, Sherbrooke, and Montreal

Carpooling www.carpool.ca

Pace Car Programs

City of Santa-Cruz - www.ci.santa-cruz.ca.us/pw/npcp/npccp.html

PEDS, Atlanta - www.peds.org/prog_pace.htm

Idaho Smart Growth - www.idahosmartgrowth.org/pacecar.htm

Research, Education, & Advocacy

The Car and the City: 24 Steps to Safe Streets and Healthy Communities, by Alan Thein Durning, Northwest Environment Watch, 1996.

www.pollutionprobe.org – research & programs on environment, child health, energy, workplace trip reduction S-M-A-R-T Manual

www.davidsuzuki.org – research & advocacy regarding climate change & environment

www.pembina.org – environmental policy research, education, & practical solutions

www.northwestwatch.org – environmental & economic policy research, books, reports

www.gaiaproject.bc.ca – educational resources & projects for youth

www.eya.ca – youth-driven sustainable living & education

Livable Communities

Building a Livable Neighbourhood, a booklet from BEST's Advocacy Toolkit

www.smartgrowth.org – information, tools, and networking (USA)

www.smartgrowth.ca – information, tools, and networking (BC)

www.walkablecommunities.org – photos and designs for improving walking environments

www.caledoninst.org – promoting community building in Canada

Community Education and Organizing

Community-Based Social Marketing

Fostering Sustainable Behaviour: An introduction to community-based social marketing by Doug McKenzie-Mohr & William Smith, New Society Publishers, 1999; www.cbsm.com

Community Organizing

The Citizen's Handbook: A Guide to Building Community in Vancouver by Charles Dobson, Vancouver Citizen's Committee, 1995; updated at <http://vcn.bc.ca/citizens-handbook>

Facilitator's Guide to Participatory Decision-Making by Sam Kaner, New Society Publishers, 1996

Take Action! A Guide to Active Citizenship by Marc & Craig Kielburger, Gage Learning, 2002

Self-Help Resources Association (SHRA) in Greater Vancouver
www.vcn.bc.ca/shra (604) 733-6186 – Support and resources; affordable workshops on building and facilitating groups, communication skills, and conflict resolution

Community Toolbox – “how to” community building tools
<http://ctb.lsi.ukans.edu/>

Sustainability Tools and Resources – www.sustainabilitytools.ca
An excellent source for planning tools and resources for community groups, as well as a growing database of community-based sustainability projects. Register your group’s activities on this site to share your experiences and lessons with others!

Municipal Departments to contact:

Municipal programs and contacts will vary from city to city, but general departments to contact are:

Planning Departments – transportation planning, community services, neighbourhood initiatives, greening...

Engineering Departments – transportation, traffic calming, road maintenance & construction, bike routes, pedestrian routes, street design, street furniture...

Parks & Recreation Departments – community-based programs and services, art projects, grants...

Police Department – school safety patrol, block watch, school liaison

Special Events Department – street permits for block parties & other events

Block Parties (BC):

City of Vancouver Block Party Program (604) 873-7337
www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/parks
see recreation services

City of Burnaby Block Party permits (604) 294-7455

City of Nanaimo Block Party permits (250) 716-8974

Pedestrian Charter

City of Toronto www.city.toronto.on.ca/pedestrian

Greater Vancouver Street Reclaiming Neighbourhood Contacts

For more information about Street Reclaiming activities in the neighbourhoods listed in this guidebook, contact:

Neighbourhood Traffic Group (East Vancouver)	Deanne Dufour <i>akimbo@uniserve.com; fax: (604) 255-9220</i>
Mountain View Neighbourhood Group (East Vancouver)	
Queensborough Residents' Association (New Westminster)	Tessy Chalissery (604) 525 3952 <i>tchalissery@yahoo.com</i>
Blenheim Neighbourhood Group (Point Grey, Vancouver)	Ellen Hockin <i>blenheimgroup@shaw.ca</i>
West End Residents' Association (West End, Vancouver)	<i>wera@vcn.bc.ca</i>

If you know of additional resources or contacts that should be added to this guide (for example, in other regions), please contact BEST's Neighbourhood Streets Program at streets@best.bc.ca or 604-669-2860).