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What is Active Routes to School?

Partnership

- NC Department of Transportation and NC Division of Public Health
- Administered through local NC health departments in 10 regions

Alignment

- NC Safe Routes to School initiatives
- Local, regional and state community safety and health initiatives

Timing

Three year project



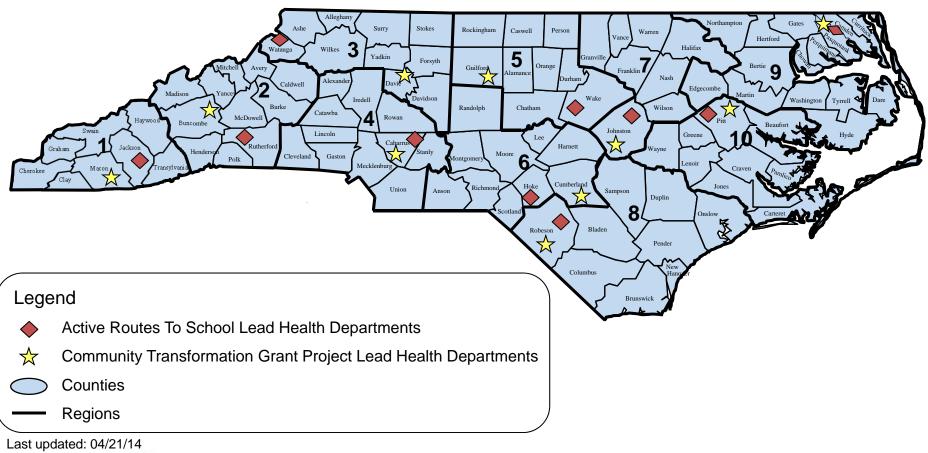
Active Routes to School Goal

Increase the number of elementary and middle school students who safely walk and bike to school.





Active Routes to School Regions





A North Carolina Safe Routes to School Project



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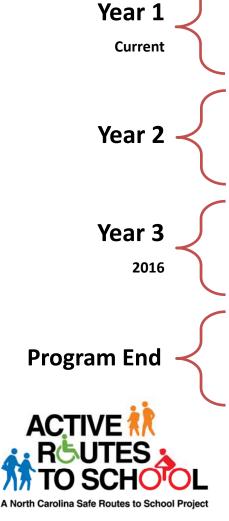


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Project Timeline



- Hired and trained staff
- Complete regional assessments
- Begin establishing partnerships
- Begin execution of work plan and intervention activities
- Identify and engage schools
- Start evaluation
- Continue execution of work plan and intervention activities
- Plan for sustainability
- Complete evaluation and report results
- **Demonstrate growth** that exceeds the baseline
- Create momentum to achieve future sustainability

Project Activities

Awareness-Raising Events

• Increase awareness about the importance of Safe Routes to School

Ongoing Programs

 Increase the number of programs that encourage walking and biking to school

Trainings/Workshops

 Increase the number of trainings on how to implement Safe Routes to School

Policy Changes

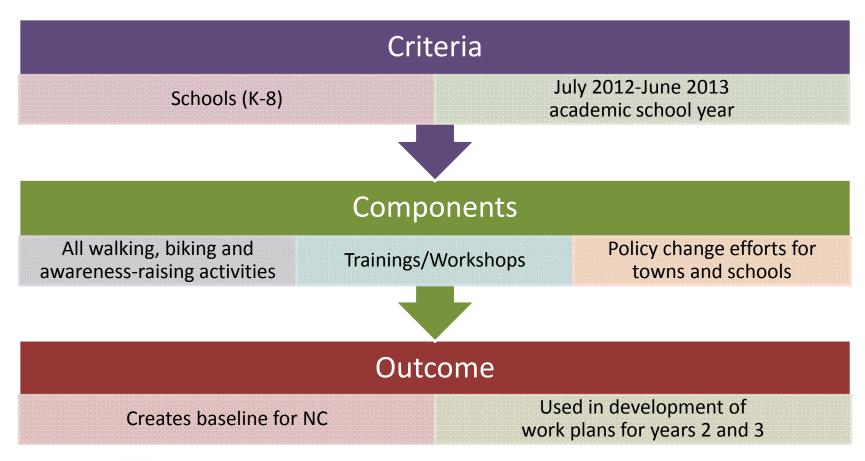
 Increase the number of policies that support walking and biking to school

Built Environment Changes

• Develop a plan for an infrastructure issue statement to identify a physical improvement to local infrastructure for future exploration



Assessment





National Bike to School Day





What can you do?

- Contact the Active Routes to School Coordinator in your region
 - Walk to School Day October 8, 2014
 - Bike to School Day May 6, 2015
 - Policy and Environmental Change
 - School Wellness Policies; Arrival and Departure Policies
 - Cross walks, signs
 - Student Travel Talleys and Parent Perception Surveys
 - Newsletters, blogs, press releases



Thank you

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For more information about Active Routes to School: www.communityclinicalconnections.com

