



About the Organization



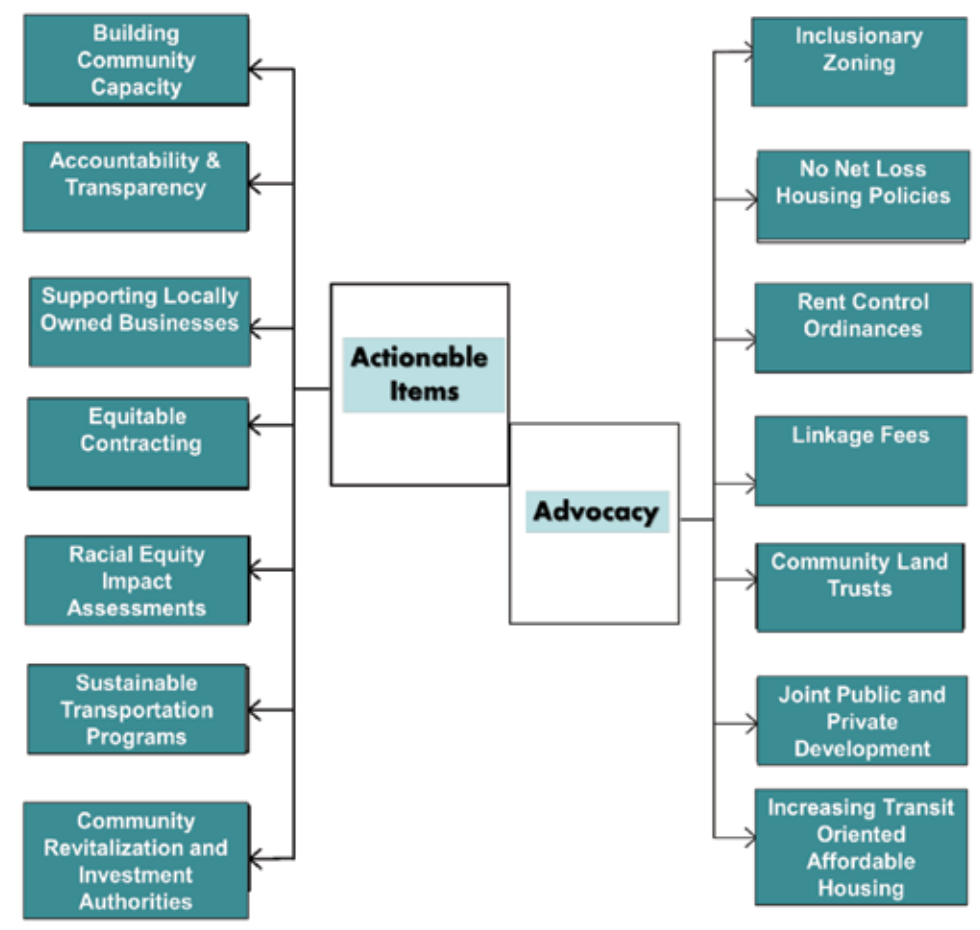
The Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition strives to create bike safe neighborhoods inclusive to all members of the community through their advocacy work, outreach, and education programs. As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization they strive towards making LA

County a healthy, safe, and fun place to ride. Their work is towards the benefit of all neighborhoods and communities while respecting the individuality and diversity of the people.

"LACBC envisions a Los Angeles County that is a great place for everyday, year-round bicycling."

My Involvement

Over the first few months my time at LACBC was spent researching gentrification and residential displacement. Not only on defining each, but in their relation to public health, the resources or programs made to mitigate each and how the transportation infrastructure affects the rate of gentrification and residential displacement. A literature review of available resources was completed to demonstrate knowledge acquisition. In addition to research I was also part of a working group with a variety of members ranging from LA-DOT to the mayoral office. Our goal was to collaborate and share information while we worked on our own projects dealing with gentrification and residential displacement.



Current Work

- Education

Central to LACBC's mission is Education. They offer a variety of online resources as well as printable safety materials in order to reach as many people as possible. In addition they also offer bicycle education classes that build confidence and knowledge on street safety for both recreational riders and those that use bikes as a means of transportation.

- Vision Zero Alliance

As part of a coalition of 25-community based and advocacy organizations, they strive to push the City of Los Angeles to end all traffic fatalities and serious injuries by 2025.

- ACT-LA

The Alliance for Community Transit-Los Angeles is a broad based coalition made up of organizations with expertise engaging in grassroots organizing, community economic development, affordable housing development, public health, environmental justice, transportation and policy and legal advocacy

- Measure M Implementation

After Measure M passed, LACBC was invited into the Metro Policy Advisory Council (PAC). The PAC reviews, comments, and provides input on the draft Measure M Master Guidelines, the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and other work plans and policy areas, such as the Equity Platform and the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) policy.

LACBC Anti-Displacement Toolkit

The main result of my work ended up being the toolkit I made for LACBC. Within comprised several strategies for combating displacement both within the capacity of LACBC to achieve or must be advocated for. As a non-profit centered around creating bike safe neighborhoods inclusive to all members of the community, I made sure that to emphasize a number of strategies that reflect this. Key things learnt from creating the toolkit were building and maintaining partnerships are an integral part of project implementation especially one that requires community involvement. Collaborating and coordinating multiple public agencies, departments, community-based organizations, and other non-profit organizations is likewise just as integral.

Current and Future Work

The next phase of work is in analyzing and interpreting the data collected from Operation Firefly and outreach program providing bike lights and bike safety education. This will be to determine which communities we can have the most impact in, and to inform future work.



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