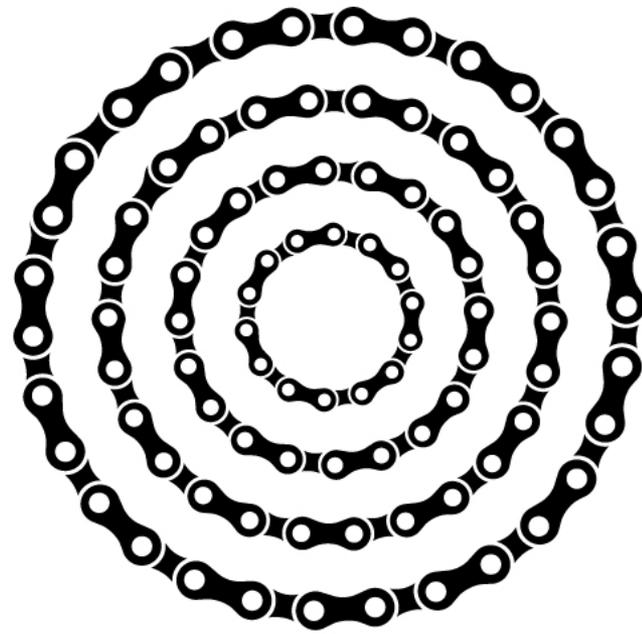


# BIKE MONTH 2015



Citizens Advisory Committee –  
Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee  
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**START A CHAIN  
REACTION  
BIKE MONTH 2015**

# BICYCLE SAFETY COURSE

- **Cycling Savvy at OCTA**
  - 4/24 – Classroom segment
  - 4/25 – Skills and drills
    - The course will be taught by Stacy & Greg Kline



# BIKE MONTH EVENTS

- 4/26 - OCTA Bike Festival
- 5/6 - Bike Repair/Safety Demos
- 5/7 - OCTA Bike Rally
- 5/10 - Angels Game Day Ride
- 5/11 - Blessing of the Bikes/Bike to Work Kick-Off
- 5/11 - 5/15 - Bike to Work Week
- 5/14 - Wheels and Reels
- 5/20 - Ride of Silence

May is National Bike Month! Start a chain reaction with some fun bike events in Orange County. Bike Month is the perfect time to try commuting by bike, taking part in group rides and learning more about the benefits of bike riding.



## Huntington Beach Bike Festival

Sunday, April 26 • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Huntington Beach Pier Plaza

Ride your bike to the festival and learn about bike safety, win prizes and get your bike ready for Bike Month. Enjoy a BMX stunt team and a free bicycle safety course for kids led by the Huntington Beach Police Department.



## Bike Repair and Safety Demos

Wednesday, May 6 • 7:00 am - 10:00 am  
Latino Health Access Santa Ana

Get your bike tuned up and ready for bike to work week and receive a 2015 OCTA bikeways guide.



## OCTA Bike Rally

Thursday, May 7 • 7:30 am - 8:45 am

Orange Metrolink Station to OCTA Headquarters

Join bicyclists and OCTA officials for a 3-mile bike ride through Old Town Orange to OCTA headquarters. Come show your support for bicycling in OC and get a Bike Month 2015 shirt!



## Angels Game Day Ride

Sunday, May 10 • 11:00 am  
Angel Stadium, Anaheim

Join the group for a ride along the Santa Ana River trail and head to Angel stadium for a tailgate party hosted by OCTA and JAX Bicycle Center. Grab some lunch while JAX cares for your bike. More details to come.



## Bike to Work Week Kick-Off & Blessing of the Bikes

Monday, May 11 • 7:00 am - 9:00 am  
Santa Ana Metrolink Station

Ride your bike or take Metrolink to Santa Ana for a fun way to kick-off bike to work week with a Blessing of the Bikes and a group ride to Santa Ana City Hall.



## Wheels and Reels

Thursday, May 14  
Downtown Santa Ana Farmers Market

Ride to the Downtown Santa Ana Farmers Market to watch a bike themed movie. More details to come.



## Ride of Silence

Wednesday, May 20 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Irvine, Fullerton, San Clemente

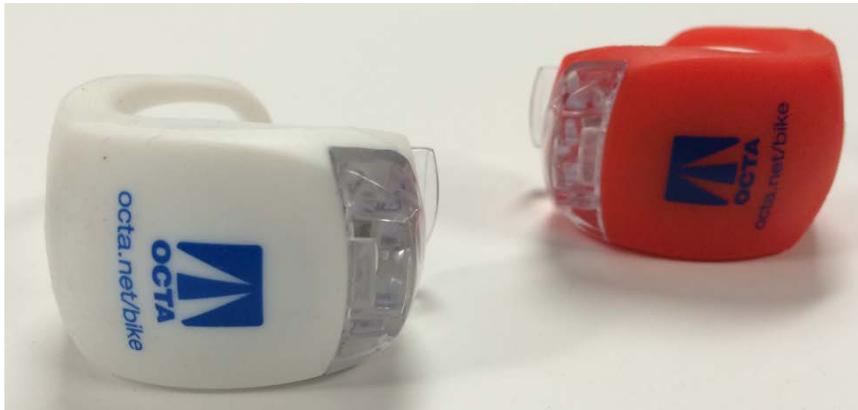
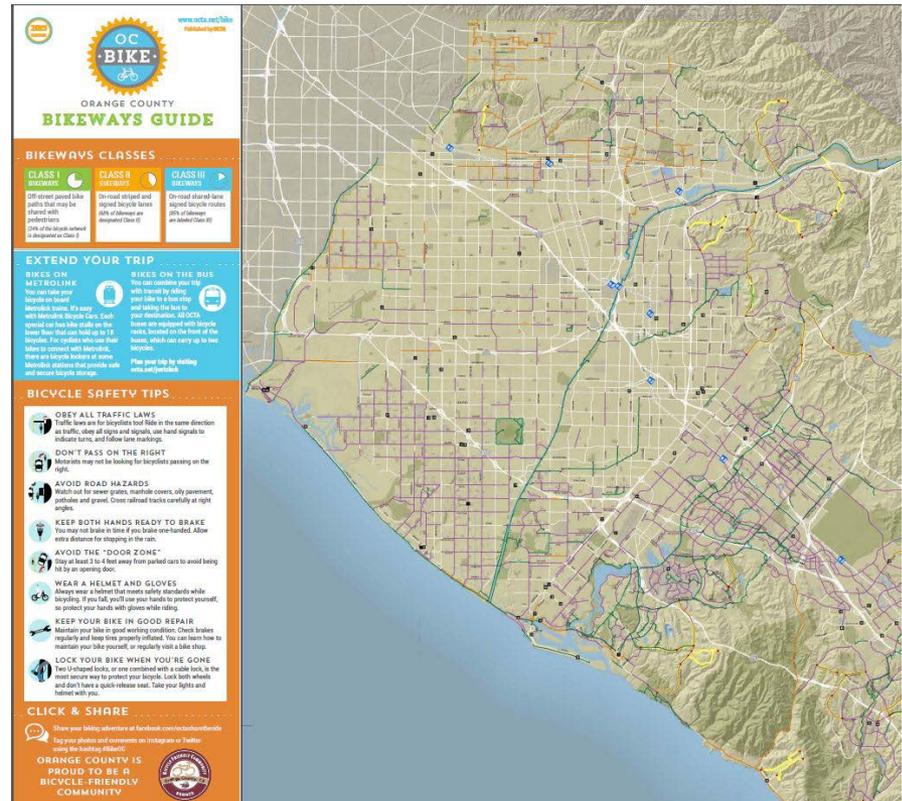
Since 2003, the Ride of Silence has been a gathering of bicyclists to honor those who have been injured or killed, to raise awareness for safe bicycling and to ask that everyone share the road. For more information visit the OC Ride of Silence page.

# BIKE MONTH SHIRTS



# OTHER COLLATERAL

- New 2015 Bikeways Guides
- Lights
- Reflectors
- Kids helmets

**OC BIKE**  
ORANGE COUNTY  
BIKEWAYS GUIDE

**BIKEWAYS CLASSES**

CLASS I BIKEWAYS	CLASS II BIKEWAYS	CLASS III BIKEWAYS
On former paved bicycle paths that may be shared with pedestrians. (See the table below for a complete list of miles for Class I.)	Onward along most signed bicycle lanes. (See the table below for a complete list of miles for Class II.)	Onward along some signed bicycle routes. (See the table below for a complete list of miles for Class III.)

**EXTEND YOUR TRIP**

**BIKES ON THE BUS METROLINK**  
You can combine your trip with transit by riding your bike to a bus stop or train station. It's easy with Metrolink's Bike-to-Line. Each vehicle has two bike racks on the lower level. You can load up to 10 bikes. For questions, visit [www.metro.net/bike](http://www.metro.net/bike). There are bicycle lockers at some Metrolink stations that provide safe and secure bicycle storage.

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**BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS**

- OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS**  
Traffic laws are for bicyclists too! Ride in the same direction as traffic, obey all signs and signals, use hand signals to indicate turns, and follow lane markings.
- DON'T PASS ON THE RIGHT**  
Motorists may not be looking for bicyclists passing on the right.
- AVOID ROAD HAZARDS**  
Watch out for sewer covers, manhole covers, city pavement, potholes and gravel. Cross railroad tracks carefully at right angles.
- KEEP BOTH HANDS READY TO BRAKE**  
You may not brake in time if you brake one-handed. Allow extra distance for stopping in the rain.
- AVOID THE "DOOR ZONE"**  
Stay at least 3 ft. away from parked cars to avoid being hit by an opening door.
- WEAR A HELMET AND GLOVES**  
Always wear a helmet that covers safety standards while bicycling. If you fall, you'll use your hands to protect yourself, so protect your hands with gloves while riding.
- KEEP YOUR BIKE IN GOOD REPAIR**  
Maintain your bike in good working condition. Check brakes regularly and keep tires properly inflated. You can learn how to maintain your bike yourself, or regularly visit a bike shop.
- LOCK YOUR BIKE WHEN YOU'RE GONE**  
Take lockable locks, or one combined with a cable lock, is the most secure way to protect your bicycle. Lock both wheels and don't leave a quick-release seat. Take your lights and bell with you.

**CLICK & SHARE**

Share your biking adventures at [Facebook.com/octabike](https://www.facebook.com/octabike) or [Twitter.com/octabike](https://twitter.com/octabike).  
Tag your photos and comments on Instagram or Flickr: [www.instagram.com/octabike](https://www.instagram.com/octabike)

ORANGE COUNTY IS PROUD TO BE A BICYCLE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

# WHERE WE NEED HELP

- **OCTA Bike Rally**
  - Bicyclists
  - Potential speakers
  
- **Angels Game Day Ride**
  - Ride leaders
  - Bike valet volunteers
  - Bicyclists
  
- **Bike to Work Week**
  - Encourage co-workers and colleagues to ride
  - Ride during the week and use the BTWW webpage

# BIKE TO WORK WEEK

- **Bike to Work Week 2015**
  - May 11 – 15
  - Working with employers on 4/2
  - Pledges
  - Combined mileage
  - Excuses – Solutions Video Series + Posters
    - What are the top excuses that you've heard?
      - 1. I live too far
      - 2. My bike isn't good enough
      - 3. There's no shower at work
      - 4. It's too dangerous
      - 5. I have to wake up too early