



## Oakland Measure DD Community Coalition

March 8, 2013

Alameda County Transportation Commission  
1333 Broadway, #300  
Oakland, CA 94612.

Re: Letter of support for City of Oakland's Lakeside Green Street Project One Bay Area Grant application

Dear Commissioners:

The Measure DD Community Coalition supports the City of Oakland's grant application for the Lakeside Green Street Project.

The Measure DD Community Coalition is an inclusive coalition of community members, organizations, and agencies that for more than a decade has been providing input to City staff regarding the implementation of Measure DD. The Coalition meets regularly and has been involved in the design process for the Lakeside Green Street Project. We believe this project will benefit residents and visitors of the nearby business districts, neighborhoods, and Lake Merritt.

The project will help to link the uptown/downtown business districts to Lake Merritt, Adams Point, Oakland Avenue, and the Grand Lake Neighborhoods by offering new and safe bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

The replacement of a portion of 20th St. with a new pedestrian promenade will create a desirable gathering space, a large park, and more direct pedestrian connections. The additional open space at Snow Park and along the lake will add to the beauty of the area while providing space for rain gardens that will treat storm water from surrounding roads before it enters Lake Merritt.

Overall, the project will promote bicycle and pedestrian use and safety, calm traffic, expand open space, and help to improve both the aesthetic and the environmental quality of the area.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our collective voice in support of this grant application.

Sincerely,

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