



## Slow Streets Program Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q: What is the Slow Streets Program?**

A: The Slow Streets Program is designed to help communities comply with the County’s Health Officer Order and the “[Guidance for Social or Physical Distancing](#)” that was put in place as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The program aims to enhance traffic safety and encourage physical activity and community compliance with physical distancing guidelines.

Once a Slow Street network is approved, signs will be placed to alert drivers to slow down with the intention of helping residents feel more comfortable sharing the roadway and practice appropriate physical distancing by avoiding overcrowded sidewalks.

For more information on the County’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, visit the website [covid19.lacounty.gov/](https://covid19.lacounty.gov/).

### **Q: Can my street become a Slow Street?**

A: While single streets will not be approved as slow streets, your street can become part of a Slow Street network (10-25 intersections or approximately 2 miles) if it is a local residential street. The reason for restricting Slow Streets to residential streets is to allow residents to use their streets for physical activity and not to encourage people from outside the neighborhood to congregate on a Slow Street. Local collector streets with low average daily traffic will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

### **Q: Who can apply for a Slow Street Network?**

A: Any resident of Unincorporated Los Angeles County can apply for a Slow Street network. Community based organizations, neighborhood groups, non-profit organizations, and any other organizations can also apply.

### **Q: How do I apply for a Slow Street Network?**

A: You can apply by using the [online application form](#) or calling (833) VZ4-LACO (833-894-5226) for assistance.



**Q: What is the cost to apply for a Slow Street Network?**

A: There is no monetary cost to apply for a Slow Street Network. However, applicants must agree to sponsor the Slow Street network they are applying for.

**Q: What does it mean to sponsor a Slow Street Network?**

A: A Slow Street network sponsor must agree to be ambassadors for the Slow Street Program by informing their neighbors about the purpose of their Slow Street Network and communicating with the County if signage and equipment is missing, broken, or vandalized, or if physical distancing is not being followed.

**Q: What will the signs look like if my street is approved to be a Slow Street?**

A: The signs shown below, which display a traffic calming message, will be installed at the entrances to the Slow Street networks that are approved under this program.



**Q: How long will Slow Street Networks remain in place?**

A: Once a Slow Street network is established, the equipment and signage will remain in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week until the County's Health Officer Order deems physical distancing no longer necessary or until the County decides, in its sole discretion, that removal of the equipment and signage is needed.

The County reserves the right to remove the equipment and signage at any time, for any reason, including lack of funding, lack of effectiveness, or repeated vandalism of equipment or signs.

**Q: Is there an actual speed limit change within Slow Street networks?**

A: While the County is not changing speed limits under this Program, we are strongly encouraging vehicles to slow down within Slow Street networks. Driving slower can enhance the safety of everyone using the streets.

**Q: What kind of activity is allowed within a Slow Street Network?**

A: Slow Street networks are for “active use” like jogging, walking, biking, and rolling. Compliance with the County Health Officer’s [Guidance for Cloth Face Coverings](#) should be followed at all times. Group sports, activities requiring physical contact, gatherings of any kind, cookouts, and sunbathing are not allowed.

**Still have questions?**

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