

# Marin County Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program Countywide Projects: Steps, Lanes and Paths #804

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## Description

The NTPP-Countywide Steps, Lanes, and Paths Program would be a County-administered program with a specific budget for steps and sidewalk projects. Individual steps and sidewalk projects may be grouped into one larger projects per jurisdiction (or unincorporated community). Suggestions for steps, lanes and paths improvements will be evaluated based on stated criteria. Covered activities include development of improvement plans, right-of-way, acquisition and installation of materials, and construction/installation.

## Budget and Criteria

A total of [to be determined] of NTPP funds has been recommended by the Advisory Committee to this program between 2007 and 2009 (or about \$X per year), based on a combination of (a) available funds, (b) amount of requests, and (c) projected benefit of this program compared to other projects. Most steps, lanes and paths suggestions did not identify a specific type of improvement, so no cost estimate of the original total suggestion list is available.

Approximate range of installed costs:

New Sidewalk	\$ 20 - \$ 30 LF
New Stairs	\$ 25 - \$ 35 LF

Note: All projects would require ADA compliance, and an appropriate exception approved where merited.

The average steps, lanes, and paths project is estimated to be \$75,000.

## Preliminary Guidelines

Preliminary stair and sidewalk improvement guidelines are as follows:

**Sidewalks (new):** New sidewalks along historic lanes connecting public streets. May include utility, drainage, demolition, tree/landscaping, and other elements.

**Stairs:** Historically, most communities in Marin with steep hillsides were developed with stairs or the provision of right-of-way for future stairs, allowing residents faster access to local commercial areas and transit.

## Implementation Strategy

The County will solicit suggestions for Sidewalk and Stair improvements during the summer of 2007, after the Board of Supervisors adopts a final funding plan. Suggestions for funding will be received by the County and reviewed according to the following criteria:

- A. Suggestion ranked by demand/need guidelines (Countywide Project Ranking Criteria)
- B. All improvements to be on public property
- C. Local commitment for maintenance

## Funding

Component	Prior	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	Total
E&P (PA&ED)								0
PS&E								0
R/W								0
CON								0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0