

Celebrate ADA 29: The 29th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act

The Bay Area sparked the Disability Rights Movement that led to the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990. The City of Oakland is proud to celebrate the 29th Anniversary of the ADA and continue its legacy.

The City is committed to improving accessibility for Oaklanders with disabilities by updating and approving the City's Administrative Instructions (AI) 123 – Disability Access Policy. AI 123 set forth policies and guidelines to improve physical and programmatic access across City department programs and services.

Celebrate with Us

ADA celebrations are taking place across the U.S. and are using #ADA29 and #ThanksToTheADA on social media. Please also use #OakADA to join in the celebration and bring awareness to the ADA.



More information:

Email adaprograms@oaklandca.gov or call (510) 238-5219

Highlights in 2019

The following are highlights of some programs and services to advance accessibility in Oakland.

- Oakland is proud to be the first Bay Area city to offer Adaptive Bike Share for people with disabilities. ADA Programs Division worked with Oakland Department of Transportation (OakDOT), Oakland's Mayor Commission on Persons with Disability (MCPD), and external partners Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), Lyft, and Bay Area Outreach and

Recreation Program (BORP) to deliver this exciting program. For more information, please visit <http://www.borp.org/ford-gobike-borp-adaptive-bike-share-pilot> or <https://www.lyft.com/bikes/bay-wheels/adaptive-bike-share>

Press coverage & new articles:

<https://www.mercurynews.com/2019/05/15/the-shared-bike-and-scooter-industry-often-leaves-out-people-with-disabilities-but-oakland-is-changing-that/>

<https://sf.streetsblog.org/2019/05/13/oakland-adds-bike-share-for-people-with-disabilities/>

<http://betterbikeshare.org/2019/05/15/oakland-starts-adaptive-bike-share-pilot/>

<https://www.smartcitiesdive.com/news/oakland-ca-bike-share-pilot-caters-to-people-with-disabilities/555263/>

https://archive.org/details/KPIX_20190512_060000_KPIX_5_News_at_11PM/start/900/end/960

- OakDOT is ramping up efforts to construct curb ramps and perform sidewalk repairs (www.oaklandca.gov/sidewalks) [see flyer below]
 - 500+ curb ramps scheduled for construction in 2019
 - Up to 100,000 square feet of private sidewalk repairs facilitated through new policies
- Video Remote Interpretation (VRI) is being rolled out through various City departments for American Sign Language (ASL) requests. VRI is now available at the Housing Resource Center, Main Library, Parking Citation Assistance Center, and Police Department.