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H-GAC RESUMES 'TRAIN YOUR BIKE' IN-PERSON SAFETY CLASSES THIS FALL

Free In-Person Trainings Geared towards Helping Residents Get Confident in Biking in Their Communities Will Take Place on Weekends at Various Locations throughout the Region

HOUSTON – The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC), in partnership with CyclingSavvy and the American Bicycling Education Association, has resumed offering free in-person bike training classes to help residents become more confident and comfortable biking in their communities.

These free classes take place on Saturday and Sunday mornings now through the spring of 2023. They are designed to teach bicyclists the road rules involving biking, sharing the roads with motorists and pedestrians, behaviors that will make them more predictable on the roads and reduce the risk of crashes, and how to ride defensively and handle unexpected situations.

Classes are open to residents aged 18 and older of all experience levels – whether they are new at biking or experienced and want a refresher – in Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery, and Waller counties.

"These classes are meant to instill confidence and comfort when biking in our region – whether it's in a major metropolitan area, a rural road, along bike lanes in the park, or around your neighborhood," said Susan Jaworski, senior transportation planner at H-GAC.

Each session has a limit of 14 attendees and will include five additional waitlist spots. Residents can register for a training near them by visiting www.h-gac.com/pedestrian-bicyclist-planning/bike-safety. Participants must be able to supply their own bike, helmet, and water.

Trainings are confirmed for the following dates, times, and locations:

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Sunday, Nov. 13, 2022 | 9 a.m. - noon Lynn Gripon Park at Countryside 100 Alderwood League City, TX 77573

Saturday, March 18, 2023 | 9 a.m. - noon
Eagle Pointe Recreation Complex 12450 Eagle Pointe Drive
Mont Belvieu, TX 77523

Saturday, Dec. 10, 2022 | 9 a.m. - noon Duhacsek Park 17034 Old Richmond Rd. Sugar Land, TX 77498

Saturday, March 25, 2023 | 9 a.m. - noon Magnolia Unity Park 19450 Unity Park Drive Magnolia, TX 77355

Saturday, April 29, 2023 | 9 a.m. - noon Winnie Stowell Park 335 S Park St. Winnie, TX 77665 Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023 | 9 a.m. - noon
The Crossroads Plaza
111 Church St.
Dayton, TX 77535

Saturday, April 15, 2023 | 9 a.m. - noon Aquatic Center 6535 Creekside Forest Drive The Woodlands, TX 77389

In addition to the in-person trainings, H-GAC, in partnership with CyclingSavvy, offers a free online bike safety course to all area residents. The course consists of 14 self-paced video modules covering safe riding behaviors, bicycling road rules, and defensive riding using local scenarios. Residents can register for the online course at Houston.cyclingsavvy.org. Enter your residential address to complete the registration.

To learn more information about H-GAC's bicycling and pedestrian planning programs – including bike safety – visit www.h-gac.com/pedestrian-bicyclist-planning.

Residents and stakeholders can also stay up to date on other H-GAC events and happenings by viewing our online calendar of events at h-gac.com/calendar.

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