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Dear Mayor Murray, City Council Members Tom Rasmussen, Mike O'Brien, Jean Godden, Sally Bagshaw, Tim Burgess, Sally Clark, Bruce Harrell, Nick Licata and Kshama Sawant, and SDOT Director Scott Kubly,

**The National Youth Bike Summit takes place in Seattle this weekend, February 13-15. The Summit is hosted by Bikeworks in Columbia City. This is an outstanding bicycle leadership opportunity for Seattle youth along with youth from around the country.**

The Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board wants to thank Mayor Murray for addressing the Summit at the Saturday morning Keynote Presentation and Breakfast. Thank you also to SDOT for participating with a program "Create: Street Infrastructure Design". We hope all of you can follow the work and outcomes of this Youth Bike Summit.

The following link describes the excellent program. The program is inspiring for all of us who support people bicycling in our cities and communities. We invite you to take a moment to read through the program and celebrate that Seattle is hosting this Summit.

<http://youthbikesummit.org/program-2015/>

Your support for the Seattle Bicycle Master Plan and ongoing efforts to make Seattle an outstanding place for people of all ages and abilities to ride bikes has helped set the stage for this Summit happening in our city.

**What is notable about the Summit Program is how much it aligns with the Seattle Bicycle Master Plan (BMP) Vision, Goals of Safety, Equity, Connectivity, Ridership and Livability.**

**Also notable is how the Summit workshops and activities support and bring to reality the Seattle BMP Program Strategies and Actions to:**

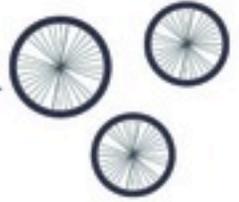
**Develop a Bicycle Safety Program for Primary, Middle and High School Aged Youth**

**Build and Support Access to Bicycles and Encouragement of Bicycling Opportunities**

**and**

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## **Support Economic and Community Development through Bicycle Related Activities.**

**The Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board has sent a message of Welcome to the participants, inviting them to enjoy riding bikes in Seattle especially on our Protected Bike Lanes, Neighborhood Greenways and Off-Street facilities.** We have also invited them to give input to our board from their bicycle experiences in Seattle and from the work they accomplish at the Summit. Their Youth voices will enhance our advisory role with the City of Seattle. The letter is attached below.

We have great hopes for the positive impact the Summit youth leadership will have for bicycling now and into the future.

Thank you all for your support for people of all ages and abilities bicycling in Seattle and especially, for all our youth participating in this weekend's National Youth Bike Summit in Seattle.

Sincerely,

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