

# PLAY ON YOUR HEALTHY STREET

## No permit necessary!

Because Healthy Streets are already closed to through traffic, you don't need a permit from the City of Seattle to play in the street. The barricades and signs already in place discourage pass through-traffic, and remind people driving to their home or to make a delivery to travel slowly and be careful.



If you want to have a food truck or vendor on your street, Street Use permits are required  
[www.seattle.gov/transportation/permits-and-services/permits](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/permits-and-services/permits)



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### Connect with your neighbors

Talk with your neighbors to make a plan to play in the street and set a date and time for your activity



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### Enhance the closure

Your Healthy Street already has barricades but you can add additional signs and barricades



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### Have fun and monitor traffic

An adult should be present to help move barricades if needed for local traffic and emergency vehicles



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### Clean up

Please make sure the street is empty of play equipment, signs, etc. when you're done



## STEP 1



### CONNECT WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

We encourage you to communicate with your neighbors before planning a Play Street. Coordinating with your neighbors may help you pick dates for your Play Street that work best for everyone. For example, you may want to avoid days that someone is planning visitors or a construction project that will bring extra vehicles to the street. Your neighbors might also want to join you with fun ideas for ways to play!

## STEP 2



### ENHANCE THE CLOSURE (OPTIONAL)

Your Healthy Street is already closed to pass-through traffic with signs and barricades. You can add signs to barricades to let people driving know that you're hosting a Play Street, and they should use extra caution. You can attach additional signs to a barricade at least 1 foot above the street to be easily visible to people driving. You can find examples of signs on our webpage.

If you choose to use additional barricades, here are the basics:

- At the ends of your closure, set up barricades 6 feet apart. If you connect them with streamers or rope, make sure they are highly visible to anyone biking along the Healthy Street.
- Place additional barricades in line with the existing Stay Healthy Street barricades and signs.
- Visit the Play Streets webpage for ideas

## STEP 3



### HAVE FUN AND MONITOR TRAFFIC

Agree on which adult(s) will monitor the added barricades. Remember – local access, deliveries, and emergency vehicles are allowed to enter the closure. The success of the program and safety of your neighbors relies on hosts being alert and responsive to their needs.

**A 20-foot lane for emergency vehicles must be maintained at all times, so only easily movable equipment should be on the street.**

Ok, NOW it's time to have fun!

## STEP 4



### CLEAN UP

When the play street is over, please make sure the street is empty of play equipment, added barricades, signs and any activity debris. Clean-up is a great activity to share with all the kids who participated! Be sure to remove the additional barricades and signs you placed as part of the event.

Visit our webpage for  
flyers, signs, social media  
posts, and more!



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