

Support CarFree Cities

It's important, easy and it's free!

Register! To convince investors and agencies that carfree development is viable, we must demonstrate that there is market demand for it. Please go to our website and click on the register button at the top of the page. Individuals, families and organizations are invited to register. No donation required.

Volunteer! We need volunteers to help with tasks such as technical research, grant-writing, presentation materials and outreach. If you can donate some time or have special expertise, we invite you to join the core team!

Donate! Your financial support is critical to our success! Much of our work is done by volunteers, but we need funding to leverage their efforts. **CarFree City, USA** is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations are tax-deductible and may be made on-line or by mailing a check to the address below.

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Thanks for giving us a boost -- together we can succeed!

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How would you prefer to live?



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Building the Alternative

The Problem

Millions of Americans like you are sick of wasting time stuck in traffic and having to drive for even the shortest errand. But people won't stop driving until a convenient, affordable alternative is available.



"I want to live in a carfree area so that my kids can have a safe place to play. I worry about them getting hit by cars."

Patty Santos, Berkeley, CA



"Air free of automobile noise and stench. I can't think of anything better"

James Alamillo, Los Angeles, CA



"A carfree city is a great idea! I could stay fit just by walking and biking where I needed to go, with no traffic hassles."

Charlotte Brooks, Cincinnati, OH

Who are we?

We are everyday citizens who strongly desire to minimize the role of automobiles in our lives and enjoy the numerous personal and global benefits of carfree living.

The Solution: carfree areas

Carfree areas are compact, mixed-use developments designed for pedestrians, where people can conduct their everyday activities without having to be in or around cars. Efficient, reliable and clean public transit takes residents to more distant destinations. Parking garages at the edge of the carfree area provide access to cars when they are the logical choice for use outside of the carfree area.

The large amount of space normally dedicated to streets and parking can instead be used for amenities such as parks, playing fields, plazas – even creeks and orchards! No fancy technology is required. It's just a matter of giving consumers the option of choosing a people-friendly and environmentally beneficial lifestyle.

More information about carfree urban design is available at www.carfree.com, the book *Carfree Cities* by J.H. Crawford, and our website, www.carfreecity.us.



The benefits of carfree living are numerous...

- Slower-paced, relaxed lifestyle
- Walking distance to parks, shops, public transit and large open spaces
- Children can play safely outdoors and go places on their own -- no need to chauffer
- Streets and plazas pleasant for socializing and dining
- Air free from smog and noise -- less global warming
- Built-in fitness from walking and biking
- Decreased transportation expenses -- don't worry about gas prices!
- Preservation of agricultural land and open space
- Less global strife over oil

A more complete list is available on our website

It can be done!

Europe has many carfree "old city" districts, but new carfree areas have been created by choice in Europe and the U.S., including:

- Copenhagen - cars gradually phased out of downtown area
- London - successful new congestion management charge
- Vaubann, Germany - new from-scratch carfree development
- Zermatt, Switzerland - opted to exclude cars to preserve pristine Alpine setting
- University campuses in USA - many have large carfree areas
- Mackinac, Roosevelt, Fire and Catalina Islands, USA - carfree islands served by walking, transit, buggies or carts

We can build on these examples that prove that carfree living is not too good to be true!