

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



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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 to help neighbors feel 'in the know' and included. Coordinating with your neighbors in advance may also help select dates or an ongoing schedule that doesn't conflict with another neighbor (e.g. someone may have visitors or a construction project planned the same day that will bring extra vehicles to the street). You might also find volunteers with fun ideas for ways to play!

We have flyers and sample social media posts on our Play Streets webpage:
www.seattle.gov/transportation/Playstreets

STEP 2



ENHANCE THE CLOSURE (OPTIONAL)

Your Healthy Street is already closed to pass-through traffic with signs and barricades. However, you may want to let people driving know that you're hosting a Play Street and they should use extra caution. We encourage you to attach these additional signs (on the Play Streets webpage) to a barricade a minimum of 1 foot above the street to be easily visible to people driving:

- [Informational signs to inform others why the street is closed](#)

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:
www.seattle.gov/transportation/playstreets

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.

