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Halff Associates Inc. is pleased to submit the draft master plan report, San Antonio Bike Plan 2011 + Implementation Strategy. This report strives to capture the many observations and findings developed as part of the planning process, and to match those to the desires and expectations of the citizens of San Antonio. The plan's recommendations seek to improve the condition of bicycling in San Antonio to make it a truely bicycle friendly city and region. Seeking first and foremost to create a regional system of interconnected on- and off-street bicycle facilities that link all parts of the San Antonio and Bexar County region.

Recognizing the economic, health, sustainable, and environmental benefits of bicycling as a form of recreation and transportation, the plan also identifies existing and potential opportunities to expand the education and promotion of bicycling to all people of all backgrounds and all abilities so that bicycling isn't just an alternative, it's a standard.

As in any comprehensive analysis, this document contains many recommendations that are prioritized over time. Many of the actions in this plan are immediate in nature and can be developed as funding becomes available. Others can be developed in conjunction with ongoing development in the greater San Antonio region. It encourages the collaboration among departments and agencies across the region to leverage funding and implementation opportunities. Finally, some are long term actions that may not be funded for some time, but that are shown to ensure that they remain present in the City's planning for the future and as new funding sources become available.

Ultimately, this plan stresses what citizens of San Antonio desire to create a sustainable city by planning for sustainable transportation and healthy, active living. As an important component of a community's infrastructure, bicycle facilities can transform San Antonio and continue to make it one of the best places to live in Texas.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to have worked with you, your staff, and the citizens of San Antonio.

Sincerely,

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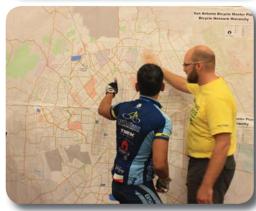
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