

# Bike to the Beach for Autism

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Date: July 17, 2020

Attention: Town/City Clerk and Town Manager

From: Bike to the Beach for autism; Carl Sylvester

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## EVENT NOTIFICATION

Urgent  Reply ASAP  Please Comment  Please Review  For Your Information

Comments:

**Notification of Cycling Event for Autism.** Bike to the Beach for autism will take place in the early morning on Saturday September 5th, 2020 along bike friendly roads and will not require any road closures or impact traffic in any way.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would kindly fill out and return the included notification.

This is our 11<sup>th</sup> year hosting this event, and we are excited to continue to make an impact for the millions affected by autism.

We look forward to a great event for Autism awareness and research.

Thank you for your support.



July 17, 2020

**Re: Bike to the Beach for autism: Event Notification for September 5th , 2020 Charity Ride**

Dear Town/City Clerk and Town Manager,

Bike to the Beach for autism is a fully supported charity cycling event that will be passing through your region on September 5th, 2020. The purpose of our charity event is to raise awareness and support for autism, and the efforts of our primary ride partner Autism Speaks, as well as to support local autism service providers in the greater Massachusetts and Rhode Island area.

Cyclists taking part in the event will be assisted in many ways before and during the day of the ride. Leading up to the event, Bike to the Beach provides a training plan, equipment recommendations, and a community of supporters to properly prepare cyclists for the event. Bike to the Beach plans a route that uses preferred cycling roads and commuter routes. While the ride will not include the need of road closures, Bike to the Beach purposefully selects the cycling route to avoid traffic congestion and follow bike safe roads where possible. All cyclists are instructed to and expected to obey all rules of the road. All riders are given a cue sheet, and the route is marked with signs to ensure that riders stay on the preferred course.

Bike to the Beach hosts rest stops every 10-15 miles where riders are given water and food to replenish their hydration and caloric losses from the ride. Along the route, we have 5-10 chase vehicles with food and water, bike pumps and tubes, and medical supplies to assist the cyclists whenever necessary. Area bike mechanics follow along in vans to assist with any major bicycle mechanical failures. The tail end of the cycling group is followed by a van that will pick up any cyclist that feels they cannot finish the event or that is falling behind our scheduled progress for the day. These precautions are taken to ensure a safe and enjoyable ride.

**We do not foresee needing Police, Fire, or Emergency Medical Services.** However, because safety is our number one priority and we need to prepare for the unforeseen. We want to inform you that our event will be passing through on September 5th, 2020. We expect all of our riders to pass through your area in no more than two hours.

**As event organizers, the health and safety of our participants, volunteers and community are our number one priority. We will continue to communicate our plans as the**

**situation progresses and we learn of new information. We kindly ask that you keep us informed of any changes in your office or departments policies as we try to continue our goal of supporting the Autism and IDD community, while adhering to the parameters in which our event can take place.**

Please contact us with any questions or needs for additional documentation that you may have, and thank you for the continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robby Walsh" with a small flourish at the end.

Robby Walsh  
Executive Director  
Bike to the Beach for autism  
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# Event Notification and Approval



Our jurisdiction has been notified in writing that Bike to the Beach will be taking place on September 5th, 2020. We are aware that approximately 250 bicyclists will be participating. Participants will ride at their own pace and will follow the vehicular rules of the road. This is not a race or a timed event.

**Event Date: September 5th, 2020**

**\*\*Please fill in the appropriate information below for your jurisdiction:**

Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization/Jurisdiction & Location:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contact Names and Numbers

Please provide a contact name and number for an individual who will be on-duty the time of the event, who will serve as contact in case of emergency or another situation.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your Jurisdiction provide any of the following services? (check all that apply):

- Police presence in congested areas: \_\_\_\_\_
- Alerting EMTs: \_\_\_\_\_
- Placing VMS's to inform drivers of cyclists on the shoulders: \_\_\_\_\_
- Sweeping the streets of debris: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please Return to:

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