



City Awarded 3 ATP Grants



State Street Undercrossing Project Rendering

The California Transportation Commission has awarded Active Transportation Program (ATP) grant awards totaling \$6.6 million to the City of Santa Barbara. Santa Barbara was awarded funds for 3 projects out of 55 awarded statewide from 554 grant applications. Only the City of Los Angeles received as many grant awards as Santa Barbara. The following is a brief description of the three projects:

- 1. U.S. 101 State Street Undercrossing.** With its narrow sidewalks and bike lanes, the freeway undercrossing at State Street is unattractive for both pedestrians and bicyclists. The project makes active transportation more comfortable by widening the sidewalks and bike lanes and shortening the pedestrian crossing distance at State Street and Gutierrez Street. The goal is to make the undercrossing more attractive to cross, bridging the Downtown and Waterfront. The total funding from the ATP grant is \$4,756,000. Expected City costs are \$1,205,000.
- 2. Downtown De La Vina Street Safe Crosswalks and Buffered Bike Lanes.** As an arterial street, De La Vina Street presents a barrier to West Downtown residents traveling to the Downtown core. The project will create safer pedestrian crossings at De La Vina as well as provide a new bike lane between Carrillo and Haley Streets. The project also includes an eastbound connecting bike lane on Haley between De La Vina and Chapala. Total funding from the ATP grant is \$1,494,000. No City costs are expected.
- 3. Lower Eastside Community Connectivity Active Transportation Plan.** The ATP grant provides \$344,000 to perform community outreach and preliminary

engineering to identify improved access opportunities from the Lower Eastside to East Beach across Highway 101. The 2006 Pedestrian Master Plan identified the need for a pedestrian overcrossing of Highway 101 from the end of Canada Street to Dwight Murphy Field. This planning effort will establish a pedestrian bridge alignment, an estimate of future project costs, and identify potential funding sources.