

City of Livermore's Traffic Calming Program Implementation



Fact Sheet

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In 2020, the City of Livermore adopted the 2020 Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program (Program). The objectives of the program are to reduce vehicle speeds on residential streets, discourage cut-through traffic, and promote conditions that encourage bicycle and pedestrian travel.

The 2020 Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program identified 28 streets¹ and the following four are on top of the list: Arrowhead Avenue, Central Avenue, Del Monte Street, and Bluebell Drive. Currently, the city is developing Traffic Calming measures for these four streets which may consist of lane striping, pavement markings, high visibility crosswalks, and signage.

¹ Arrowhead Avenue, Central Avenue, Del Monte Street, Bluebell Drive, Scott Street, Dalton Avenue, College Avenue West of L Street, L Street, Fordham Way, Northfront Road West of Vasco Road, Junction Avenue, College Avenue East of L Street, Crestmont Avenue, Alameda Drive, P Street, Sunflower Court, Lexington Way, Heather Way, Herman Avenue, Pestana Way, Wall Street, Lomitas Avenue, Garaventa Ranch Road, Superior Drive, Scenic Drive, Encino Drive, Mines Road, and Vancouver Way.

The traffic calming process outlined in the PROGRAM is divided into Tier 1 and Tier 2:

Tier 1 Measures: Traffic Education, Engineering, and Enforcement which includes: Targeted enforcement, improving sight distance by trimming landscaping, appropriate additional signing, striping, or pavement markings, educational outreach, and placement of the radar speed trailer.

If Tier 1 Measures do not have a positive effect on traffic, then Tier 2 Measures will be evaluated to develop the best fit alternative based on available funding.

Tier 2 Measures: Installation of Traffic Calming Devices which includes: Vertical deflection such as speed lumps, raised crosswalks, raised intersections; Horizontal shifts such as traffic circles, chicanes, medians; and Constrictions such as curb extensions, neckdowns, chokers and time of day turn restrictions.

Implementation of Tier 2 Measures require a signed petition. At least 60% of the households within the neighborhood have to sign a petition agreeing to the implementation of the proposed traffic calming devices.

In addition, 100% of the property owners next to any traffic calming devices need to approve the device installation.

Furthermore, in the event after installation that the residents want the device removed, the removal of the installed traffic calming device will have to be paid for by the residents.

For more information regarding the Traffic Calming Program, please visit our website: <https://www.livermoreca.gov/departments/commUNITY-development/engineering/transportation-traffic/traffic-calming>

Or contact City's Engineering Division at (925) 960-4500.