

Traffic Garden Fun Activities

A local traffic garden provides your family with a space for fun outdoor activities. Check out all these ways to enjoy the space:

- **Rolling Play Date:** Set up a weekly time to meet your pals at the traffic garden for fun on wheels together.
- **Plan Picnic Time:** Bring along a blanket and enjoy a family picnic in an area next to the traffic garden.
- **Build a Box City:** Invite your pals to bring along big cardboard boxes. Provide markers and paint and build your own box city.
- **Bike Decorating:** Provide materials to decorate bikes or scooters with streamers or name plates. Use pipe cleaners to attach securely.
- **4th of July Bike Parade:** Hold a parade of the decorated bikes and scooters. Include babies in strollers too!
- **Story Time:** Grab a bunch of library books and hold a read-aloud featuring adventures in transportation and construction.
- **Hold a Chalk Art Contest:** Bring along sidewalk chalk to add more traffic signs, roads, paths or building outlines to the traffic garden. 
- **Art Station:** Set up a station where you can draw scenes of the traffic garden or design your own traffic garden.
- **Set up a Bike and Scooter Wash:** On a hot day bring along water, buckets, soap, sponges and some old towels.
- **Hold a Birthday Party:** Enjoy an outdoor activity as you celebrate with your friends. Encourage everyone to bring rolling devices.
- **Bike Repair Morning:** Bring along tools and a pump to work on bike maintenance together.
- **Street Party:** Host a gathering for pals and neighbors. If everyone brings some snacks and rolling devices, you'll make new pals and create a sense of local community.



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Unexpected Exercise!

Here are kid-friendly games and challenges for developing riding and spatial skills while having fun in a traffic garden.

- **Balance Bike Trials:** Set up a special course for balance bike riders. High five them each time they complete the circuit.
- **Red Light, Green Light:** Race towards the "traffic light" when the leader shouts "Green light" and freeze on "Red light". The first to reach the leader without getting caught moving wins and becomes the next "traffic light".
- **Slow Bike Race:** Organize a slow bike race on the streets. Add chalk start and finish lines.
- **Bike Bus:** Set up bus stops at key intersections and choose your own bus stop. Select one Bike Bus leader who rides around and picks up riders at each stop. Keep riding together around the traffic garden.
- **Traffic Sign Scavenger Hunt:** Create a scavenger hunt that involves naming different traffic signs around the traffic garden.
- **Obstacle Course:** Set up a fun obstacle course for bikes or scooters using cones and small ramps.
- **Play Simon Says:** The leader "Simon" tells other players what to do by starting with "Simon says." If you do something Simon didn't say or miss what Simon did say, you're out until last the person wins.
- **Make a Map:** Create maps of the traffic garden and use them to create a treasure hunt adventure.
- **Draw Houses:** Chalk the walls of a house or apartment on edge streets. Mark out doors and inside room walls. Add a library, cafe, store and fire station and pathways in between. Take a walk to visit your neighbors.

