# Active Living Research Conference 2013 Kerr et al. HANDOUT MIPARC Community Projects

# Intervention site #1:

Problem: Leaves & trash cover a bridge that provides access to popular walking routes, a mall and a weekly farmers market.

#### **BEFORE:**





## **Actions Taken:**

- Peer Leaders called the city council representative and followed up with multiple phone calls.
- Peer Leaders sent a letter to the La Jolla Village Community Council and spoke with the President of the community council

## Outcome:

The issue was moved to the mayor's desk and after examining the issue further the city realized they were responsible for the bridge and the bridge was cleaned

#### **AFTER:**





# Intervention Site#2:

Problem #1: Cars obstruct the sidewalk, forcing pedestrians to walk through a parking lot instead.

# **BEFORE:**



# **Actions Taken:**

 Peer Leaders sent a letter to the city and followed up by contacting the Deputy Directory of Transportation for the City of Carlsbad, CA

# Outcome:

Parking blocks were installed to prevent cars from blocking sidewalk

# **AFTER:**





# Problem #2: Trees from a hotel property obstruct the sidewalk

#### **BEFORE:**



## **Actions Taken:**

Peer Leaders spoke with Hotel Manager regarding the issue

## Outcome:

■ Trees were trimmed

# Intervention Site #3:

Problem #1: Unsafe intersection of a major Boulevard and the entrance to their retirement community

- Walk signal is not audible and it is impossible to see the crosswalk signal across 6 lanes of traffic
- Crosswalk does not have a countdown and time given is too short to safely walk across the entire intersection
- There is no pedestrian refuge

BEFORE: crossing 6 lanes of traffic





#### **Actions Taken:**

 Contacted Deputy Director of Transportation for the City of Carlsbad, CA to meet with the Peer Leaders

#### Outcome:

- Visual walking countdown added
- Crosswalk time increased to 30 seconds (from 20)

Problem #2: Intersection from retirement community to popular shopping plaza

- Walk sign does not provide an audible or visual countdown
- Crosswalk time is too short

BEFORE: No walking time countdown



## **Actions Taken:**

 Contacted Deputy Director of Transportation for the City of Carlsbad, CA to meet with the Peer Leaders

#### Outcome:

- Visual walking countdown added
- Crosswalk time increased to 30 seconds (from 20)

After: Visual and audible countdown added

