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Don't Trash the Bike Lanes
Keep Our Bike Lanes Clear and Safe!

Why It Matters:

When you put your trash cans in the right place on garbage day, you're helping to keep cyclists safe. You're also making it easier for more people to choose biking as a safe and eco-friendly way to travel around our city.

Obstructing bike lanes with trash cans or anything else is dangerous and illegal under California Vehicle Code (CVC):

CVC 21211(b)

"No person may place or park any bicycle, vehicle, or any other object upon any bikeway or bicycle path or trail, as specified in subdivision (a), which impedes or blocks the normal and reasonable movement of any bicyclist unless the placement or parking is necessary for safe operation or is otherwise in compliance with the law."

Consider This:

California law is clear: nothing is allowed to block bike lanes, including vehicles with flashing lights. It's not only dangerous — it's illegal. Trash cans, cars, and other objects in bike lanes are risky for cyclists, especially at night. It is harder for cyclists to see obstacles when it's dark, and dark-colored objects can blend into the shadows, making them almost invisible. This can cause cyclists to swerve suddenly, which can lead to accidents involving not just cyclists but also pedestrians and drivers.

Let's Partner for Safety:

The City is committed to making our streets safer with new bike lane striping and pedestrian improvements. But we can't do it alone. We need you to help by making sure your trash cans don't end up in the bike lanes.

Remember: Clear bike lanes = safer streets for everyone!



Place cans along the curb—keeping bike lanes clear for cyclists.



Placing cans in the bike lane blocks cyclists and creates a safety hazard.

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Let's all do our part to keep our city bike-friendly and safe for all.

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