

LAKE MERRITT BART Intersection Improvements Evaluation Report

Completed: July 2019
Evaluation: June 2020



Background: Chinatown in Oakland is a bustling neighborhood that's home to many seniors and children who rely on walking and transit to get around. However, many of the streets are designed to prioritize the efficient movement of vehicles, and result in high concentrations of severe and fatal traffic crashes. OakDOT engaged community groups, BART, and AC Transit on swift and effective strategies to improve safety at five intersections around the Lake Merritt BART station.



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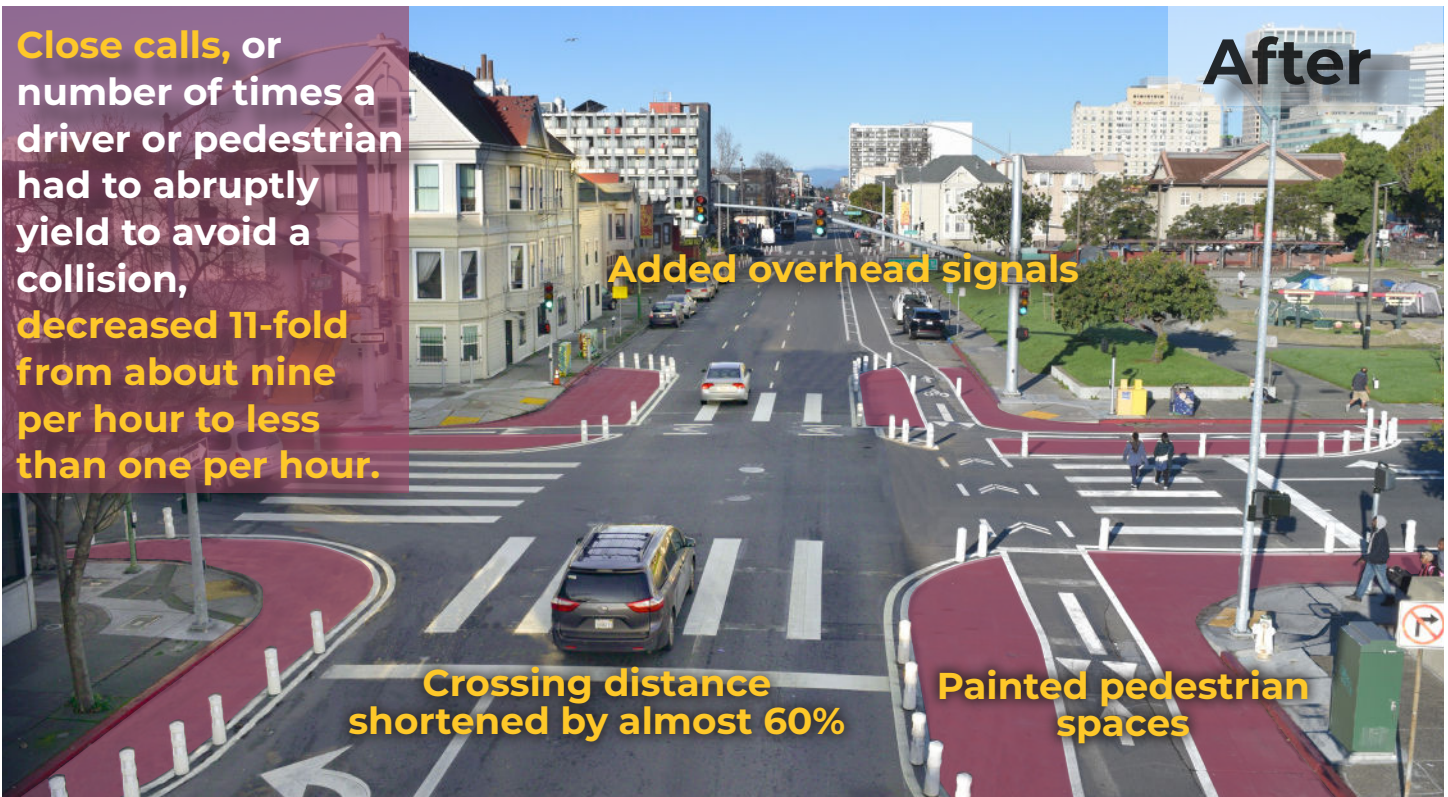
8th and Madison

Before



Close calls, or number of times a driver or pedestrian had to abruptly yield to avoid a collision, decreased 11-fold from about nine per hour to less than one per hour.

After



Next Steps: This project has resulted in significant safety improvements using temporary materials to five intersections around Lake Merritt BART. Permanent improvements to some of these intersections are currently being designed as part of BART's redevelopment of the Lake Merritt BART Station, and the Oakland Alameda Access Project.

