



The Herb Greenberg Bike Helmet Bank **Organizations serving Sonoma County Children**

Safe Kids Sonoma County wants to help kids stay safe while bicycling. Because bicycle helmets have been shown to reduce the risk of brain injury from bicycle collisions, a Bike Helmet Bank was established to promote the use of bike helmets. **Free bike helmets are awarded to qualified groups and organizations in Sonoma County.** All child-serving not-for-profit organizations with the capacity to identify and serve low-income children living in Sonoma County are eligible to apply. Your responsibilities will include:

- ✓ Receiving free training in proper bike helmet fitting
- ✓ Identifying low-income children under age 18
- ✓ Fitting all helmets to the individual children who receive them
- ✓ Providing appropriate safety messages with each helmet

To ensure a proper fit, all helmets given through the Safe Kids Sonoma County Bike Helmet Bank must be fitted on each child by a trained person. Contact us to learn of training opportunities. Organizations and groups awarded helmets will be required to complete a brief evaluation of their bicycle safety/helmet event and return it to Safe Kids Sonoma County Coalition within 30 days of the event.

A non-biased panel of Safe Kids Sonoma County members, who have injury prevention expertise, will review all applications. If you wish to be considered to receive free helmets from the Helmet Bank, please complete the attached application.

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