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### **Caltrain Partners with Project 529 to Promote Bike Registration**

Caltrain Rail Operations and the San Mateo County Sheriff's Department are encouraging bike riders to register their bikes in partnership with [Project 529](#).

This app-based system allows bike owners to input identifying information about their bike and report theft. San Mateo County Sheriff's Department, which contracts with Caltrain to serve as the agency's Transit Police unit, has access to the 529 database for both Caltrain and several other bike communities already registered with the program in the event that a bike is reported stolen in the area.

To promote the program, Caltrain is hosting three free bike registration days:

#### **Palo Alto Caltrain Station**

Tuesday, August 20, 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

#### **Redwood City Caltrain Station**

Wednesday, August 21, 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

#### **San Francisco Caltrain Station**

Thursday, August 22, 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Caltrain riders who use a bicycle are encouraged to take advantage of these events and help deter theft. In addition to the digital registry, the program offers shield stickers, which indicate the bike's secure registration and help deter theft. The first 500 people, per location, to register their bike will receive a free shield sticker.

"On Caltrain, Transit Police frequently locate and recover bikes, however enforcement becomes challenging in the absence of registration information to verify ownership," said Lieutenant Victoria O'Brien. "This partnership with Project 529 adds an additional layer of security for Caltrain riders who use a bicycle."

To download the app or learn more, visit [www.Project529.com/Caltrain](http://www.Project529.com/Caltrain).

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*rail service, Caltrain is on pace to electrify the corridor, reduce diesel emissions by 97 percent by 2040 and add more service to more stations.*

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