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San Antonio launches bike habit survey

S.A. is updating its Bicycle Master Plan

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In December, cyclists rode through Alamo Plaza before the start of the Humana Rock 'n' Roll Marathon and 1/2 Marathon.

To plan for city growth and changes, San Antonio has launched a **survey** to assess residents' bike habits.

The survey, available online until Dec. 2, asks residents how often they use a bike and what types of improvements would make biking easier, safer and more appealing. The city will use the results to update its 2011 Bicycle Master Plan.

“Since that plan came out, there have been a lot of changes in the bicycle community,” said Terry Bellamy, assistant director of the city’s Transportation & Capital Improvements department.

About 325,000 residents use a bike at least once a month, according to a 2010 study by the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, and that number is expected to grow.

“The community will see there is a growth in bicycling on our routes,” Bellamy said.

The city will use the updated document to develop the bike component of its Multimodal Transportation Plan, part of an overall transportation plan it began developing this year.

That plan, called **SA Tomorrow**, anticipates population growth and changes in the way

residents get around the city. By 2040, the city's population is expected to grow by 1.1 million.

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Correction: This story, as originally published, had an incorrect date for the end of the survey.

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