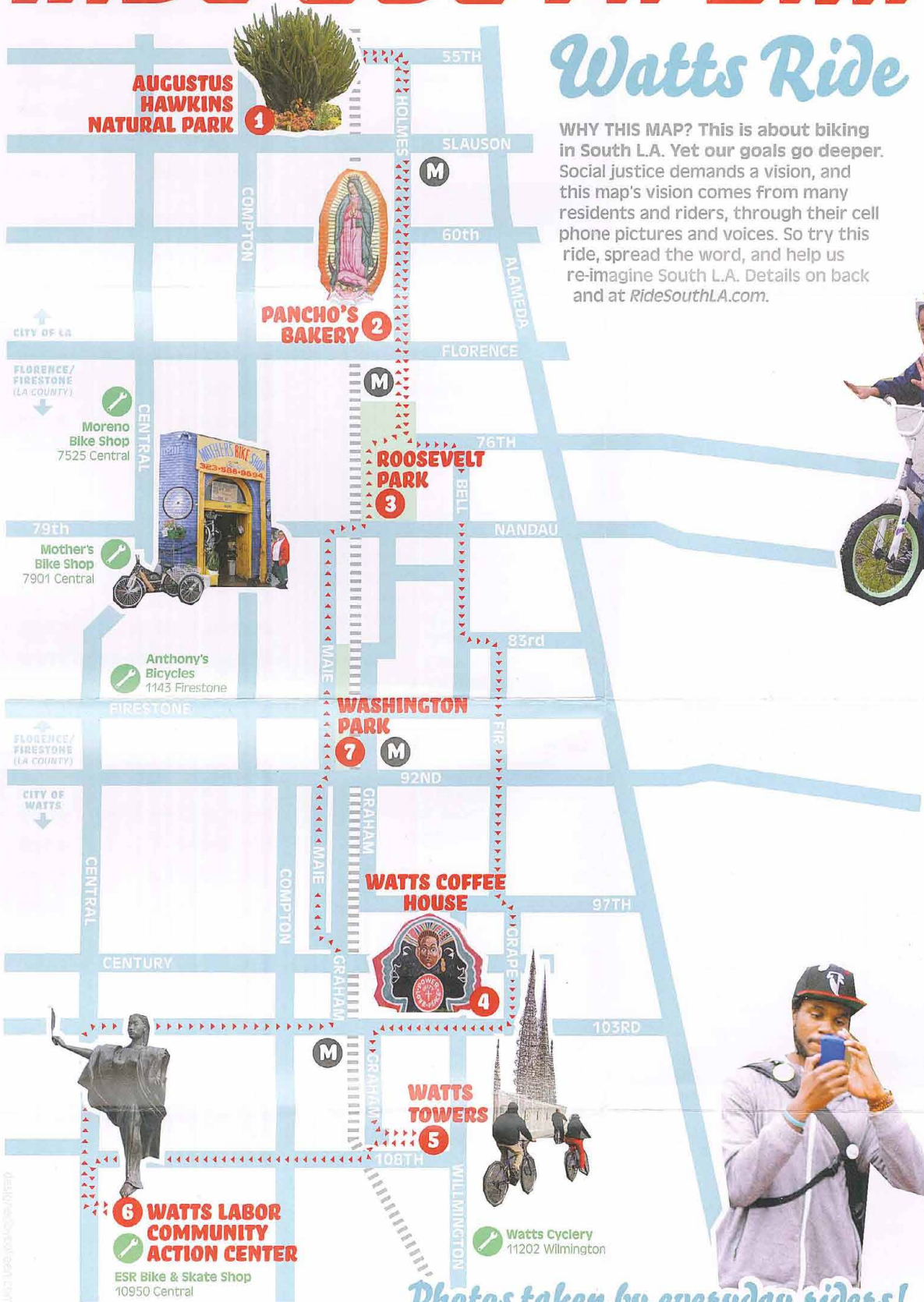


# RIDE SOUTH L.A.

## Watts Ride

**10 MILES ROUND TRIP**  
 An easy ride for beginner and experienced cyclists  
 2-4 HOURS W/ STOPS

**WHY THIS MAP?** This is about biking in South L.A. Yet our goals go deeper. Social justice demands a vision, and this map's vision comes from many residents and riders, through their cell phone pictures and voices. So try this ride, spread the word, and help us re-imagine South L.A. Details on back and at [RidesouthLA.com](http://RidesouthLA.com).



[RIDESOUTHLA.COM](http://RIDESOUTHLA.COM)

### HOW TO GET TO THE START OF RIDE

- 110** From the 110:  
Exit Slauson and head East. Turn left on Compton. The Augustus Hawkins Park parking lot is immediately on your right.
- M** Using Metro:  
You can take your bike on public transit buses and trains. This gives you flexibility to cut your ride short or extend it by looking for where these stops are.

**Say Hello!**  
 The community is friendly, especially to group rides. Wave to neighbors that you pass. Seeing more bikes in the neighborhood will get more people biking there.

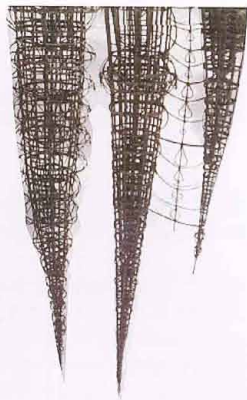


*Photos taken by everyday riders!*

- ◆◆◆ Bike Route
- |||| Metro Blue Line
- M** Metro Stops
- Bike Shops  
see [RidesouthLA.com](http://RidesouthLA.com) for more info



Watts Labor Community Action Center



## Partner Organizations



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### Get Involved

#### REQUEST AND REPORT FOR BIKES

You can ask the city to install bike racks, to fill potholes, and more – contact LADOT using links on [RideSouthLA.com](http://RideSouthLA.com), or call 311.

#### SHARE THIS STORY

Post pictures of your ride to Facebook (or whatever you use!), and tell what it's like to ride in South L.A. – your voice is critical to shifting the vision for a future Los Angeles.

#### BRING YOUR NETWORK

The number of riders depends on how many people you bring to South L.A. or convince to go. What's your pull?

#### JOIN A CAMPAIGN IN SOUTH L.A.

Campaigns for social change require joining with partners, and many connect directly to this map. See [RideSouthLA.com](http://RideSouthLA.com) to find out how to connect with organizations working in affordable housing, food justice, transportation issues and more.

### Points of Interest

#### 1 AUGUSTUS HAWKINS NATURAL PARK

5790 Compton Ave  
M-F: 9am - 6pm  
Sat & Sun: 9am - 5pm  
8.5 acre natural park with landscaping replicating the nearby Santa Monica mountains.

#### 2 PANCHO'S BAKERY

1759 E Florence Ave  
Traditional Mexican bakery, known for delicious bolillos and pastries.

#### 3 ROOSEVELT PARK

7600 Graham Ave  
Open: Sunrise to Sunset  
Built as a WPA project during the Great Depression, the park is one of the oldest in L.A. and has been recently renovated.

#### 4 WATTS COFFEE HOUSE

1827 E. 103rd St  
T-F: 8am - 3pm  
Sat: 8am - 1pm / Sun: 10am - 4pm  
A coffee shop in Watts that specializes in soul food and serves an all-you-can-eat buffet on Sundays.

### How this map was made

This bicycling map to the iconic Watts Towers was created and pedal-tested by more than 60 cyclists. They followed a path scouted by cycling clubs in advance and documented the ride live with camera phones. During the ride, a live map of the pictures was displayed on iPads mounted to some of the bicycles. A graphic designer turned the stream of pictures into a printable map. To stay authentic to its contributors, the map was tested in workshops with community organizers, researchers and neighborhood residents.

#### 5 WATTS TOWERS

1727 East 107th St  
[www.wattstowers.us](http://www.wattstowers.us)  
W - Sat: 10-4 / Sun: 12-4  
Tours (every 30 mins):  
Th & F 11-3  
Sat: 10:30-3 / Sun: 12-3

Italian immigrant Simon Rodia built the Watts towers by hand from scrap materials between 1921 and 1954. Today, the Watts Towers continue to serve as a cultural landmark for the community of Watts.

#### 6 WATTS LABOR COMMUNITY ACTION CENTER

10950 S. Central Ave  
[www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)  
ESR Bike+Skate Shop: 323.895.0368

The WLCAC has been working to improve the Watts community since the 60s. Look for the Mother of Humanity Statue and the Joseph Randall Skate Park and mural. The WLCAC is home to the Eastside Riders Bike and Skate Shop.

#### 7 WASHINGTON PARK

8908 S. Maie Ave  
Open: Sunrise to Sunset

A former lumber yard turned into a narrow park abutting the Metro Blue Line tracks.

## Watts Ride Route

### START AT AUGUSTUS HAWKINS NATURE PARK

- NORTH** on Compton 0.2 mi
- R** 57th St 0.4 mi
- L** Morgan Ave 0.1 mi
- R** 55th St 0.2 mi
- R** Holmes Ave 1.3 mi

### ROOSEVELT PARK AHEAD

- EXIT PARK TO** **L** 76th Pl 0.1 mi
- R** Bell Ave 0.6 mi
- L** 83rd St 463 ft
- R** Fir/Anzac Ave 1.1 mi
- L** 97th St 213 ft
- R** Grape St 0.4 mi
- R** 103rd St 0.3 mi
- L** Graham Ave 0.3 mi
- L** 107th St

### WATTS TOWERS ON LEFT

- WEST** on 107th St 0.1 mi
- L** Graham/Willowbrook 295 ft
- R** 108th St 0.7 mi
- L** Central Ave

### WLCAC ON LEFT

- NORTH** on Central Ave 0.5 mi
- R** 103rd St 0.6 mi
- L** Graham Ave 0.2 mi
- L** Century Blvd 240 ft
- R** Maie Ave 335 ft
- L** 99th St 82 ft
- R** Maie Ave 0.3 mi
- R** to stay on Maie Ave 0.2 mi
- R** 92nd St 148 ft
- L** Maie Ave 0.5 mi
- L** Firestone Blvd 79 ft
- R** Maie Ave 0.5 mi
- R** Nadeau St 89 ft

### ROOSEVELT PARK ON LEFT

- NORTH** Holmes Ave 1.3 mi
- L** 55th St 0.4 mi
- L** Compton Ave 0.1 mi
- L** 57th St 341 ft

### AUGUSTUS HAWKINS NATURE PARK