**Benchmarking Report City Survey**

**SURVEY PREVIEW**

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**If you would like to apply for the** [**Bicycle Friendly Community**](http://bikeleague.org/community) **award in addition to submitting your Benchmarking Report city data,** [**please see the comprehensive BFC application + Survey (will download as a .docx Word document).**](http://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/BFC_Application_Spring_2018_plus_BMR.docx)

[Learn more about the Bicycle Friendly Community program’s new partnership with the Benchmarking Report project here.](https://bicyclefriendly.secure-platform.com/a/page/community/BMR)

# BFC: APPLICATION INTRO

**Name of Community:**

**Community Website:**

**Community’s Twitter URL:**

**Community’s Facebook URL:**

# BFC: CONTACT INFORMATION

**Applicant First Name**

**Applicant Last Name**

**Title**

**Department**

**Employer**

**Street Address (No PO Box, please)**

**City**

**State** (drop-down menu)

**Zip**

**Phone**

**Email**

# BFC: COMMUNITY PROFILE

**A1. Community Name: (Please omit “City of”, “Town of”, etc.)**

**A2. County/ Borough/Parish:**

**A3. State:** (Drop Down Menu)

**A4. Link to map of community boundaries:** (e.g. [Google Maps](https://www.google.com/maps))

**A5. If your community spans multiple jurisdictions or does not align with the name of your community given in Question A1, please specify your census geography(ies) here.** *We’ll use this to collect commuter and demographic data to accompany your application.*

# BFC: ENGINEERING

**B4. Does your community currently have any of the following street design policies in place that promote a more comfortable cycling environment?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Design manual that incorporates the AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, 4th Edition
* Design manual that incorporates the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide
* Design manual that incorporates the NACTO Urban Street Design Guide
* Design manual that incorporates the FHWA’s Small Town and Rural Multimodal Network Guide
* Streetscape design guidelines
* None of the above

**B5. Does your community currently have any of the following additional policies in place?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Policy to preserve abandoned rail corridors for multi-use trails
* Policy to utilize utility corridors for multi-use trails
* Accommodation of bicyclists through construction sites in the public right-of-way
* Maximum car parking standards
* No minimum car parking standards
* Paid public car parking
* Shared-parking allowances
* Congestion charges
* None of the above

**B7. What policies or programs increase the amount of end-of-trip facilities for bicyclists?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Bike parking ordinance for existing buildings specifying amount and location
* Bike parking ordinance for all new developments specifying amount and location
* Ordinance requiring showers and lockers in existing non-residential buildings
* Ordinance requiring showers and lockers in new non-residential buildings
* Building accessibility ordinance (Bicycles are allowed to be parked inside non-residential buildings)
* Public uncovered bike racks
* Public covered bike racks
* Bike valet parking available at community events
* Ordinance that allows on-street bike parking/bicycle corrals
* Ordinance that allows bike parking to substitute for car parking
* Requirement for new developments to meet LEED-Neighborhood Development silver standards or higher
* Developers are eligible for density bonuses for providing end-of-trip facilities
* Subsidy program for private bike parking installation
* Public or private program that provides grants for bike racks or free bike racks upon request
* None of the above

**B11. Is there a program (e.g. publicly funded, public-private partnership, or development regulation) that provides or increases bike parking at any of the following locations?** *Check all that apply.*

* Public & private schools (K-12)
* Day care, child care centers and preschools
* Higher Education Institutions
* Libraries
* Hospitals and medical centers
* Parks & recreation centers
* Other government-owned buildings and facilities
* Event venues (e.g. convention center, movie complex)
* Hotels & restaurants
* Office buildings
* Retail stores (excluding grocery stores)
* Grocery stores
* Multi-family housing (excluding subsidized or public housing, if any)
* Subsidized or public housing
* None of the above

**B12. Does your community have a rail transit or bus system?**

* Yes\*
* No

**Please note:** Dependent questions will only appear in the online survey when their corresponding answer option above is checked.

**\*B12a. Are bikes allowed *inside* transit vehicles?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Yes, at all times in buses
* Yes, at all times in rail vehicles
* Only outside of rush hour service in buses
* Only outside of rush hour service in rail vehicles
* Folding bikes are allowed in folded position in buses
* Folding bikes are allowed in folded position in rail vehicles
* There is specialized space (e.g. hooks or luggage space) for bikes in buses
* There is specialized space (e.g. hooks or luggage space) for bikes in rail vehicles
* None of the above

**\*B12b. What percentage of buses are equipped with bike racks?**

* None
* 10% or less
* 11-25%
* 26-50%
* 51-75%
* 75-99%
* 100%

**\*B12c. What percentage of transit stops are equipped with secure and convenient bike parking, including bus stops?**

* None
* 10% or less
* 11-25%
* 26-50%
* 51-75%
* 75-99%
* 100%
* Unknown

**B13. Are there any off-street facilities within your community’s boundaries that can be legally used by bicyclists?**

* Yes\*
* No

**\*B13a. How many miles of the following off-street accommodations that can be legally used by bicyclists are within your community’s boundaries?**

*Answer all that apply.* *(in miles)*

Paved shared use paths (≥10 feet) (# only)

Paved shared use paths (≥ 8 and <10 feet) (# only)

Natural surface shared use paths (≥10 feet) (# only)

Natural surface shared use paths (≥ 8 and <10 feet) (# only)

Singletrack (# only)

**B15. How many miles of road network fall within the following posted speed limits?**

*(in centerline miles)*

≤ 25mph (# only)

>25mph and ≤35mph (# only)

>35mph (# only)

**B16. Does your community have on-street bicycle facilities?**

* Yes\*
* No

**\*B16a. Are there any on-street bicycle facilities on roads with posted speeds of ≤ 25mph?**

* Yes\*\*
* No

**\*\*B16a1. On streets with posted speeds of ≤ 25mph, how many miles of each of the following bicycle facilities are there that meet or exceed current** [**AASHTO**](https://bookstore.transportation.org/item_details.aspx?ID=1943) **or** [**NACTO**](http://nacto.org/cities-for-cycling/design-guide/) **standards?**

*(Answer in centerline miles. Write “0” if facility is not present in community.)*

Bike boulevards (# only)

Shared lane markings (not counted under Bicycle Boulevards) (# only)

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ≥4 feet, and minimum clear path of ≥4 feet between rumble strips) (# only)

Bike lanes (incl. standard, contra-flow, left-side)(ridable surface ≥4 feet) (# only)

Buffered bike lanes (# only)

Protected bike lanes (one-way or two-way) (# only)

Raised cycle tracks (one-way or two-way) (# only)

**\*B16b. Are there any on-street bicycle facilities on roads with posted speeds of >25mph and ≤35mph?**

* Yes\*\*
* No

**\*\*B16b1. On streets with posted speeds of > 25mph and ≤ 35mph, how many miles of each of the following bicycle facilities are there that meet or exceed current** [**AASHTO**](https://bookstore.transportation.org/item_details.aspx?ID=1943) **or** [**NACTO**](http://nacto.org/cities-for-cycling/design-guide/) **standards?**

*(Answer in centerline miles. Write “0” if facility is not present in community.)*

Shared lane markings (# only)

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ≥4 feet, and minimum clear path of ≥4 feet between rumble strips) (# only)

Bike lanes (incl. standard, contra-flow, left-side)(ridable surface ≥4 feet) (# only)

Buffered bike lanes (# only)

Protected bike lanes (one-way or two-way) (# only)

Raised cycle tracks (one-way or two-way) (# only)

**\*B16c. Are there any on-street bicycle facilities on roads with posted speeds of >35mph?**

* Yes\*\*
* No

**\*\*B16c1. On streets with posted speeds of > 35mph, how many miles of each of the following bicycle facilities are there that meet or exceed current** [**AASHTO**](https://bookstore.transportation.org/item_details.aspx?ID=1943) **or** [**NACTO**](http://nacto.org/cities-for-cycling/design-guide/) **standards?**

*(Answer in centerline miles. Write “0” if facility is not present in community.)*

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ≥4 feet, and minimum clear path of ≥4 feet between rumble strips) (# only)

Bike lanes (incl. standard, contra-flow, left-side)(ridable surface ≥4 feet) (# only)

Buffered bike lanes (# only)

Protected bike lanes (one-way or two-way) (# only)

Raised cycle tracks (one-way or two-way) (# only)

**B18. How has your community calmed traffic?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Speed limits 20 mph or less on residential streets
* Used lower design speeds when designing for new roadways
* Physically altered the road layout or appearance
* Converted one-way streets to two-way traffic
* Road diets
* Lane diets
* Speed feedback signs/cameras
* Car-free/Car-restricted zones
* Shared Space/Home Zone/Living Street/Woonerf
* None of the above

**B19. In what other ways has your community improved riding conditions and amenities for on-street bicyclists?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Roundabouts that accommodate bicycles
* Colored bike lanes outside of conflict zones
* Contra-flow bike lanes (e.g. a one-way bike lane installed heading the opposite direction of the adjacent one-way street)
* Removal of on-street car parking
* Advisory bike lanes
* Bicycle left turn lanes
* Shared bicycle/bus lanes
* Reverse angle parking
* On-street way-finding signage with distance and/or time information
* Signed bike routes
* Bicycle-friendly storm sewer grates
* None of the above

**B21. Does your community currently have a community-wide bike sharing**

**program that is open to the general public?**

**Please note:** Exclude private bike sharing systems that are limited to employees of a certain business or students of a certain university.

* Yes\*
* No
* Launching in the next 12 months\*\*

*\*If yes:*

**\*B21a. Please provide a link to your bike sharing program website.**

 **\*B21b. What is the name of your city’s bike share program?**

**\*B21c. Who is involved in implementation of this program? Implementation includes operation and financial support.**

* **Government**
* **Non-profit organization**

**\*B21d. What type of system is your bike sharing program?**

* Automated kiosk-style bike share system
* GPS-enabled bike share system
* Short-term bike rentals
* Long-term bike rentals
* Bike library (free rentals)
* Unregulated program (i.e. Yellow Bike)

**\*B21e. How many bikes are in the system?**

(# only)

**\*B21f. How many stations are in the system?**

**\*B21h. How many trips were made in the last calendar year?**

*\*\*If launching in next 12 months:*

**\*\*B21m. Please provide a link to your bike sharing program website.**

**\*\*B21n. What is the name of your city’s bike share program?**

**\*\*B21o. Who is involved in implementation of this program? Implementation includes operation and financial support.**

* **Government**
* **Non-profit organization**

**\*\*B21p. What type of system will your bike sharing program be?**

* Automated kiosk-style bike share system
* GPS-enabled bike share system
* Short-term bike rentals
* Long-term bike rentals
* Bike library (free rentals)
* Unregulated program (i.e. Yellow Bike)

**\*\*B21q. How many bikes will be in the system?**

**\*\*B21r. How many stations will be in the system?**

# BFC: EDUCATION

**C1. Do any public or private elementary schools offer regular bicycle education to students?**

* Yes\*
* No
* N/A - No elementary schools

**\*C1a. What percentage of your public and private elementary schools offer bicycle education?**

* 1-25%
* 26-50%
* 51-75%
* 75-99%
* 100%

**C2. Do any public or private middle schools offer regular bicycle education to students?**

* Yes\*
* No
* N/A - No middle schools

**\*C2a. What percentage of your public and private middle schools offer regular bicycle education?**

* 1-25%
* 26-50%
* 51-75%
* 75-99%
* 100%

**C3. Do any public or private high schools offer regular bicycle education to students?**

* Yes\*
* No
* N/A - No high schools

**\*C3a. What percentage of your public and private high schools offer regular bicycle education?**

* 1-25%
* 26-50%
* 51-75%
* 75-99%
* 100%

**C4. Outside of schools, how are children and youth taught safe cycling skills?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Learn to ride classes
* Bike clinics or rodeos
* ABCs of Family Biking, family bike show-and-tell, or similar program focused on families with toddlers and young children
* Youth bike clubs
* Scouts bicycle training
* Youth development road or cross racing teams
* Youth development mountain bike racing teams
* Helmet fit seminars
* Safety town area
* Trail riding classes
* Summer camps
* Bicycle-related after school programming
* Bicycle safety is taught as part of driver education curriculum
* None of the above

**C5. Are bicycle safety or riding skills-related classes or hands-on instruction offered to adults in your community?**

* Yes
* No

# BFC: ENCOURAGEMENT

**D5. How is National Bike Month/your own dedicated Bike Month promoted in your community?**

*Check all that apply.*

*Learn about National Bike Month and see the League’s National Bike Month Guide for ideas to improve your community’s Bike Month efforts.*

* Official Proclamation
* Community-wide Bike to Work Day/Week
* Bike to School Day/Week
* Bike to Church Day or similar
* Community Rides
* Mayor-led/Council-led Ride
* Public Service Announcements
* Videos promoting bicycling on community website/TV channel
* Publish a guide or calendar of Bike Month Events
* Bike Month Website
* Commuter Challenge
* Challenges aimed at students biking to school
* Non-commuting related (i.e. errand-running) biking challenges and programs
* [National Bike Challenge](https://nationalbikechallenge.org/) /[Global Bike Challenge](http://t.yesware.com/tt/aed7c3e3b457167eca4e0a63f04673855ac71d30/8d342eb398cff56a652fd6af1758387e/1999b95a54ab3ffe97686366212eedb5/partners.lovetoride.net/)
* Bike Commuter energizer stations/breakfasts
* Car-free days
* CycloFemme Ride
* Kidical Mass Ride
* Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways
* Mentoring program for new riders
* Bike valet parking at events
* Bicycle-themed festival/parade/show
* Public education campaign relating to cycling (e.g. with a focus on public health or environmental benefits)
* Trail construction or maintenance day
* None of the above

**D6. How is bicycling promoted in your community *outside* of Bike Month?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Community and charity rides
* Mayor-led/Council-led rides
* Videos on bicycling on community website/TV channel
* Public Service Announcements
* Trail construction or maintenance day
* Kidical Mass Ride
* Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways
* Commuter Challenge
* Non-commuting related (i.e. errand-running) challenges and programs
* Challenges aimed at students biking to school
* [National Bike Challenge](https://nationalbikechallenge.org/) /[Global Bike Challenge](http://t.yesware.com/tt/aed7c3e3b457167eca4e0a63f04673855ac71d30/8d342eb398cff56a652fd6af1758387e/1999b95a54ab3ffe97686366212eedb5/partners.lovetoride.net/)
* Business program that provides discounts for customers arriving by bicycle
* Triathlons and bicycle races
* Bike commuter events
* Car-free days
* Publish a guide or calendar of community bicycle events
* Mentoring program for new riders
* Bike valet parking at events
* International Bike to School Day in October
* Winter Bike to Work/School Day(s)
* Bicycle-themed festivals/parades/shows
* Public education campaign related to cycling (e.g. with a focus on public health or environmental benefits)
* Community celebration/ride each time a bicycle project is completed
* None of the above

# BFC: ENFORCEMENT & SAFETY

**E2. What percentage of patrol officers are regularly on bikes?**

* None
* 1- 20%
* 21-50%
* More than 50%

**E6. Do any local ordinances in your community place restrictions on bicyclists?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Local law requires bicyclists to use side paths regardless of their usability
* Local law requires bicyclists to use bike lanes when provided
* Local law requires that bicyclists are required to ride as far to the right of the road as practicable without exceptions
* Local law restricts usage of electric-assist bicycles
* Mandatory bike registration
* Mandatory helmet use for all ages
* Restrictions on sidewalk riding outside of the Central Business District
* Restrictions on sidewalk riding inside the Central Business District
* Dismount zones/regulations on shared-use paths
* Local or school policies restrict youths from riding to school
* Bicycles are banned from one or more road that is open to vehicles
* None of the above

# BFC: EVALUATION & PLANNING

**F3. How many government employees (including the Bicycle Program Manager and the Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator), expressed in full-time equivalents (FTE), work on bicycle issues in your community?** *NOTE: A person that spends 1/10 of their time on bicycle issues would be counted as 0.1 FTE.* (# only)

**F5. Does your community have an officially-recognized Bicycle Advisory Committee?**

* Yes\*
* No

 **\*F5a. How often does the committee meet?**

* Monthly or more frequently
* Every two months
* Quarterly
* Annually
* Irregularly

**F7. Does your community have a comprehensive bicycle master plan or similar section in another document?**

* Yes\*
* No
* Plan is currently under development\*\*

*If yes:*

**\*F7b. Provide a link to the plan.**

**\*F7c. Is there a dedicated budget for implementation of the plan?**

* Yes\*\*\*
* No

 **\*\*\*F7c1. What is the designated annual budget?** (If budget is not consistent annually, provide the annual average from the last 10 years or length of plan.) (# only)

**\*F7d. Does your plan include a goal to increase bicycle facilities?**

* Yes\*
* No

**\*F7d1. Please list or describe these goals.**

*If Plan is currently under development:*

**\*\*F7f. Is there a planned budget for implementation of the plan?**

* Yes\*\*\*
* No

**\*\*\*F7f1. What is the planned annual budget?** (# only)

**F9. Is community-wide bicycle planning integrated with planning for any of the following:**

*Check all that apply.*

* Transit stops
* Public & private schools (K-12)
* Higher education institutions
* Hospitals and medical centers
* Parks & recreation centers
* Subsidized or public housing
* None of the above

**F10. What percentage of the community’s total annual transportation budget – on average over the last five fiscal years – was invested in bicycle projects?**

(drop-down menu: “unknown” and 0-100% options)

**F12. How many lane miles of planned bicycle facilities does your community expect to have installed in the next four years?** (# only) *Write "0" if there are no specific goals or plans for additional bicycle facilities to be installed in the next four years.*

**F13. How many lane miles of bicycle facilities has your community installed in the last two years?** (# only) *Write "0" if no new bicycle facilities have been installed in the last two years.*

**F14. How does your community collect information on bicycle usage?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Automated /electronic bicycle counters
* Regular statistically-valid community bicycle surveys
* Travel diaries
* Household travel surveys that include bicycle trips
* App-based or other opt-in electronic data collection (e.g. Strava, Zap, etc.)
* Regular manual counts of bicyclists on trails
* Regular manual counts of bicyclists on the road
* Regular counts of parked bicycles at transit stations (if applicable)
* Regular counts of parked bicycles at schools
* Regular counts of parked bicycles at other destinations (downtown business district, etc.)
* Manual counts that include demographic data collection (e.g. gender, race, age, etc.)
* Manual counts that specifically target traditionally underrepresented neighborhoods
* Cordon counts that include bicyclists
* Any other type of count that includes bicyclists
* None of the above

# SUPPLEMENTARY BENCHMARKING REPORT CITY SURVEY

## Engineering

**BMR1. How many miles of public sidewalks are within your community?**

*Public sidewalks are paved paths within the roadway right-of-way that are designed for pedestrian use. Often, bicycling is not allowed and the pavement is less than 8 feet wide.*

Please answer in lane miles.

## Education

**BMR2. What percentage of your public and private schools (elementary, middle, and high) offer pedestrian safety education?**

* 1-25%
* 26-50%
* 51-75%
* 76-100%

**BMR3. Outside of schools, are pedestrian safety skills taught to children and youth by city-sponsored programming?**

* Yes
* No

## Enforcement & Safety

**BMR4. What percentage of Emergency Medical Technicians or paramedics are regularly on bikes?**

* None
* 1- 20%
* 21-50%
* More than 50%

**BMR5. What percentage of patrol officers are regularly on foot?**

* None
* 1- 20%
* 21-50%
* More than 50%

**BMR6. What percentage of Emergency Medical Technicians or paramedics are regularly on foot?**

* None
* 1- 20%
* 21-50%
* More than 50%

**BMR7. Does your city require motorists to yield to pedestrians?**

* Yes\*
* No

**\*BMR7a. If yes, what is the monetary penalty for a motorist who fails to yield to a pedestrian?**

## Evaluation & Planning

**BMR8. How many government employees (including the Pedestrian Program Manager and the Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator), expressed in full-time equivalents (FTE), work on pedestrian issues in your community?**

*NOTE: A person that spends 1/10 of their time on bicycle issues would be counted as 0.1 FTE. Please do not double count any employee time reported in Question F3 under BFC: Evaluation & Planning.* (# only)

**BMR9. How many lane miles of planned pedestrian facilities does your city expect to have installed in the next four years?** (# only)

**BMR10. How many lane miles of pedestrian facilities has your city installed in the last two years?** (# only)

**BMR11. Which of the following plans has your city adopted?** *Please include any bicycle master plans already mentioned in Question F3 under BFC: Evaluation & Planning.*

*Check all that apply.*

* A combined bicycle and pedestrian master plan
* A standalone bicycle master plan
* A standalone pedestrian master plan
* A trails master plan
* A mountain bike master plan
* None of the above

**BMR12. Which of the following goals has your city published as part of any adopted plan?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Increase pedestrian facilities
* Increase bicycling facilities
* Increase walking
* Increase biking
* Increase physical activity
* Decrease pedestrian fatalities
* Decrease bicyclist fatalities
* Decrease pedestrian injuries
* Decrease bicyclist injuries
* None of the above / N/A - no plan

**BMR13. Has your city adopted any of the above goals as part of any of the following plans?**

*Check all that apply.*

* A carbon emissions reduction plan
* A public health improvement plan
* A transportation congestion mitigation plan
* A public safety improvement plan
* None of the above

**BMR14. What percentage of the community’s total annual transportation budget – on average over the last five fiscal years – was invested in pedestrian projects?**

*If you are unable to differentiate between bicycle and pedestrian budgets, please include the total bike/ped budget in F10 under BFC: Evaluation & Planning, and enter "unknown" here.*

(drop-down menu: “unknown” and 0-100% options)

**BMR15. How does your community collect information on pedestrian trips?**

*Check all that apply.*

* Automated /electronic pedestrian counters
* Regular statistically-valid community pedestrian surveys
* Household travel surveys that include pedestrian trips
* Regular manual counts of pedestrians on trails
* Regular manual counts of pedestrians within roadway right-of-way (e.g. on sidewalks or shared space)
* Manual counts that include demographic data collection (e.g. gender, race, age, etc.)
* Manual counts that specifically target traditionally underrepresented neighborhoods
* App-based or other opt-in electronic data collection (e.g. Strava, Zap, etc.)
* Cordon counts that include pedestrians
* Any other type of count that includes pedestrians
* None of the above

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