



THE VILLAGES, FL

TOTAL POPULATION

51,442

POPULATION DENSITY

2778.0

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

30.0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

N/A

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Gold	The Villages
Arterial Streets with Bike Lanes	65%	100%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	43%	57%
Public Education Outreach	VERY GOOD	GOOD
% of Schools Offering Bicycling Education	50%	0%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	VERY GOOD	SOME
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	YES	NO
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	VERY GOOD	VERY GOOD
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	NO
Bike Program Staff to Population	PER 32K	NO STAFF

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	4/10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	1/10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	2/10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	4/10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	1/10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Gold	The Villages
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of daily bicyclists</i>	5.5%	0.63%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k daily bicyclists</i>	100	NO DATA
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k daily bicyclists</i>	0.6	6.2
PUBLIC RATING	GOLD	SILVER



KEY STEPS TO GOLD



» Ensure that the police officers of each jurisdiction are initially and repeatedly educated on traffic law as it applies to bicyclists and motorists.

» Continue to expand your public education campaign to make motorists, golf cart users and cyclists aware of their rights and responsibilities on the road and the shared-use paths, as well as Florida's 3 Foot Law.

» Encourage the municipalities and counties to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking at popular destinations throughout the community. In particular, bike parking is needed at commercial areas as well as pickleball and tennis courts. Ensure that new bike racks conform to APBP guidelines.

» Encourage the counties to add wider bicycle lanes that are separated from the car lanes where there is no separate

recreational trail to use.

» Bicycle-safety education should be a routine part of primary and secondary education. Work with your local bicycle groups or interested parents to develop and implement a Safe Routes to School or equivalent program that emphasizes bicycling at the charter school.

» Encourage local businesses, agencies, and organizations to promote cycling to their employees and customers and to seek recognition through the Bicycle Friendly Business program.