The Bicycle Friendly States ranking is based on a comprehensive survey completed by state departments of transportation and state bicycling advocates. It asks comprehensive questions across 5 categories: Legislation and Enforcement, Policies and Programs, Infrastructure and Funding, Education and Encouragement, Evaluation and Planning. The results listed above provide only a snapshot of the full application. They are intended to offer some ideas for further growth in bicycle friendliness. For more information, visit www.bikeleague.org/states or contact Ken McLeod at (202)-822-1333 or ken@bikeleague.org.

The state could spend more federal funding on bicyclists and pedestrians. Based on data from the FHWA, Oklahoma is in the bottom 5 for federal funding for bicycling and walking projects based on the percentage of available federal funds obligated to those projects. Adopt project prioritization criteria for federal funds that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.

- Adopt a statewide bicycle plan that addresses each of the five “Es”, has clear implementation actions, and performance measures to gauge success.
- Adopt a statewide policy that requires bicycle accommodations on all bridge and tunnel projects. These once in a generation projects should create connections for all transportation users rather than build barriers.
- Ensure that no funds from the Transportation Alternatives program are transferred for purposes other than bicycling and walking projects.
- Develop a Police Officer Standards and Training (POST) curriculum for bicycling enforcement both for new officers and continuing education – focus on laws related to bicyclists, interactions between motorists and bicyclists, and bicycle collision investigation. Currently Oklahoma State University has a bicycle patrol office course approved by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training: http://www.ok.gov/cleet/.
- Create a Legislative Bike Ride to show legislative support for bicycling and walking programs. A legislative bike ride can be a fun event and informal convening for legislators, agency staff, and people who support biking and walking.