



GUNNISON, CO

TOTAL POPULATION

6,024

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

4.75

POPULATION DENSITY

1,268

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES 0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES 0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Gold	Gunnison
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	0%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	80%	57%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	13%	UNKNOWN
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	VERY GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY	ANNUALLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 36K	1 PER 120K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	2.4 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	3.8 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3.1 /10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	4.5 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3.1 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Gold	Gunnison
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	5.2%	13.0%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	291	45
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	2.6	0.0



KEY STEPS TO GOLD



- » Improve Bike Month activities by creating a Bike to Work Day event. Bike to Work Day events can include competitions for participation between businesses and "energizer" stations where people can get coffee on the way to work.
- » Ensure that high speed and/or high volume roads do not pose a barrier to bicycling in your community. Your application indicated that no roads with a posted speed limit of 25 mph or greater have bicycle facilities. Consider road diets, lane diets, or other ways to create space for striped bicycle lanes within your public rights of way. Bicycle lanes can be effective traffic calming measures and provide a more comfortable experience for many bicyclists.
- » Encourage your Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

to meet more often (quarterly or bi-monthly) to create a systematic method for ongoing citizen input into the development of important policies, plans, and projects. Ensure that the members of the committee reflect the diversity and ability levels of cyclists in your community.

- » Create a bicycle count program that utilizes several methods of data collection to create an understanding of current bicyclists and the effects of new facilities on bicycling in Gunnison. Automated bicycle counters can provide long-term data on bicycle use at fixed points while mobile counters can provide periodic or before/after data related to a change in your communities road or bicycle network. Observational counts can supplement automated data in order to examine social equity goals.