



MANSFIELD, CT

TOTAL POPULATION

26,500

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

45

POPULATION DENSITY

589

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Mansfield
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	40%	0%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	47%	39%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	GOOD
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	10%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	QUARTERLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	SOME	EXCELLENT
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	UNDER DEVELOPMENT
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 91K	1 PER 80K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	2.0 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	3.3 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3.9 /10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	4.1 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	2.7 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Mansfield
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.6%	0.00%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	549	RIDERSHIP TOO LOW TO CALCULATE
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	7.3	0.0



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



» Your application indicated that your community is currently developing a bicycle master plan. This is a great step to improving conditions for bicycling and institutionalizing processes for continual improvement. Your Bicycle Master Plan update should take advantage of best practices that are applicable to a community of your size, including the use of separated bike lanes, targeted education programming, and demonstration projects to help the community understand possible bicycle facilities.

» The current on-street bicycle network does not appear to include striped bicycle lanes. 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. Ensure that your newly adopted Complete Streets policy is followed for all roadway projects.

» Develop a Bicycle Parking Ordinance with minimum bike parking

requirements for new developments, as well as Bicycle Parking Guidelines to ensure that APBP-compliant bicycle parking is available in areas near transit and urban activity centers. Without secure and convenient bicycle parking it is difficult for a person to choose to ride their bicycle for transportation or utilitarian trips.

» Increase the amount of staff time spent on improving conditions for people who bike and walk. Increasing staff time, either by creating a position or changing the responsibilities of current staff, can have a positive impact on the ability of your community to execute bicycling and walking-related projects and programs.

» Continue to work with and support Bike Mansfield. This local bike advocacy group is a wonderful asset for the community, and should be a strong partner in bicycle programming, planning, and outreach.