



RICHFIELD, MN

TOTAL POPULATION

35,000

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

6.8

POPULATION DENSITY

5,147

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Richfield
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	40%	NA
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	47%	56%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	1%
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	SOMEWHAT
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 91K	1 PER 70K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	3.7 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	0.4 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	2.9 /10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	3.9 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	2.8 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Richfield
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.6%	0.6%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	549	917
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	7.3	0



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



» Your application indicated that all roads within your community have a posted speed limit of between 25 and 35 mph. Consider whether neighborhood greenways optimized for biking should have lower speed limits and traffic calming to ensure compliance. If traffic studies show actual speeds are higher on some roads, use traffic calming and enforcement to ensure that people do not exceed the posted speed.

» Bicycle-safety education should be a routine part of education, for students of all ages, and schools and the surrounding neighborhoods should be particularly safe and convenient for biking and walking. Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to create an in-school bicycle education program.

» Expand bicycle education opportunities for adults, including cyclists and motorists. Consider ways to target demographics who currently do not feel safe riding with classes or events that address their concerns.

» Improve Bike Month activities by creating a Bike to Work Day event and Bike to School 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. Bike to School Day events can include competitions related to bicycle use, outreach to parents, and coordination between the schools and the city to create safer routes to schools.

» Provide education to law enforcement officers on traffic laws as they apply to bicyclists and motorists and bicycling skills. Ensure that law enforcement officers who are not certified or trained as bicycle patrol officers nevertheless have basic training or experience with bicycling in your community in order to foster positive interactions between bicyclists and police officers.

» 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 Richfield.