



ST. CLOUD, MN

TOTAL POPULATION

68,001

POPULATION DENSITY

1661

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

41.08

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	St. Cloud
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	1%
Total on- and off-road Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	48%	15%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	AVERAGE
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	4%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	AVERAGE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MEETS IR-REGULARLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	VERY GOOD
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	SOMEWHAT
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 78K	1 PER 27K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	2.2/10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	2.2/10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3.6/10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	4.8/10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	St. Cloud
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.7%	1.08%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	537	429
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	6.3	0



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



- » Your application indicated that all roads within your community have a posted speed limit above 25 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 than the posted limits on some roads, use traffic calming measures to ensure that people do not exceed the posted speed.
- » Ensure that your Complete Streets policy is followed for all projects, and that compliance is tracked. Ensuring compliance with a Complete Streets policy is an important and often low-cost way to add to your bicycle network. Striping bicycle lanes as part of repaving operations can save 40% of the cost of adding a bicycle lane. If necessary, revisit your Complete Streets policy and process to ensure better compliance.

- » Continue to improve and expand the low-stress bike network for all ages and abilities, and ensure that your community follows a bicycle facility selection criteria that increases separation and protection of bicyclists based on levels of motor vehicle speed and volume. Consider using FHWA's Bikeway Selection Guide: https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/docs/fhwasa18077.pdf
- » Develop a design manual that meets current NACTO standards or adopt the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide or the FHWA's Small Town and Rural Multimodal Network Guide. This will make it easier for city staff to propose and implement bicycle facility designs that have been shown to improve conditions for people who bike in other cities throughout the United States.

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KEY STEPS TO SILVER CONTINUED

- » Continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community. Conduct a bike parking study or audit to determine current conditions of bike parking, both in terms of quality and quantity. Adopt a bike parking ordinance for new and existing buildings that specifies the amount and location of secure, convenient bike parking available. Develop community-wide Bicycle Parking Standards that adhere to current APBP guidelines. (See www.apbp.org/bicycle-parking-solutions)
- » Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to expand and improve the Safe Routes to School program to all K-12 schools. In particular, middle and high school education efforts could be improved — this is particularly important as older students learn to drive and share the road.
- » Expand bicycle education opportunities for adults by offering more educational opportunities per year. Host a League Cycling Instructor (LCI) seminar to increase the number of local LCIs in your community, allowing you to expand cycling education for youth and adults, deliver Bicycle Friendly Driver education to motorists (including fleet operators and professional drivers), and have more experts available to assist in encouragement programs. Visit bikeleague.org/ridesmart for more information.
- » Encourage more local businesses, agencies, and organizations to promote cycling to their employees and customers and to seek recognition through the Bicycle Friendly Business program. St. Cloud City Hall or other municipal buildings could apply to the BFB program as an employer to lead by example among other local employers.
- » Encourage your Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to meet more regularly, as a way 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.
- » Establish a dedicated annual budget for implementation of your Bicycle Master Plan, in addition to funding for ongoing bicycle programming and infrastructure development/maintenance.
- » Adopt a target level of bicycle use (percent of trips) to be achieved within a specific timeframe, and ensure data collection necessary to monitor progress. To improve your count program, consider how observational/manual counts and surveys can supplement automated data in order to collect demographic information and examine social equity goals.

MORE RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING YOUR COMMUNITY:

- » League of American Bicyclists: <https://www.bikeleague.org>
- » Guide to the BFC Report Card: https://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/Guide_to_the_Bicycle_Friendly_Community_Report_Card.pdf
- » Resources for Building a Bicycle Friendly Community: https://bikeleague.org/BFC_Resources
- » Building Blocks of a Bicycle Friendly Community: <https://bikeleague.org/content/building-blocks-bicycle-friendly-communities>
- » About the BFC Application Process: <https://bikeleague.org/content/about-bfc-application-process>
- » The Five E's: <https://bikeleague.org/5-es>
- » Tips for Current and Aspiring BFCs: <https://bikeleague.org/BFC-tips>
- » Smart Cycling Program: <https://bikeleague.org/ridesmart>
- » Advocacy Reports and Resources: <https://bikeleague.org/reports>
- » Bicycle Friendly Business Program: <https://bikeleague.org/business>
- » National Bike Month: <https://bikeleague.org/bikemonth>

