» 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.

» Work with Colorado Department of Transportation to improve connectivity for bicyclists across the community by adding protected bike lanes to arterial roadways and developing more bicycle-friendly underpass connections to improve bicycling safety, comfort, and accessibility for all ages and abilities.

» Continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community, and to upgrade the quality of existing bike parking to meet APBP standards. Adopt a bike parking ordinance for new and existing buildings that specifies the amount and location of secure, convenient, APBP-compliant bike parking available.

» Continue to improve bicycle safety education for students of all ages by incorporating on-bicycle education opportunities for all ages and by expanding the program to all K-12 schools. Providing bicycles in schools for on-bike education ensures that all students can learn to safely ride a bicycle regardless of the availability of a bicycle in their household.

KEY STEPS CONTINUED ON PAGE 2...
Increase the number of local League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) in your community, either by hosting an LCI seminar or sponsoring a Town staffer or local bike advocate to attend an existing seminar elsewhere. Having several active instructors in the area will enable you to expand cycling education for youth and adults, recruit more knowledgeable cycling ambassadors, deliver Bicycle Friendly Driver education to motorists, and have experts available to assist in encouragement programs. Visit bikeleague.org/ridesmart for more information.

Continue to develop a bicycle count program that utilizes several methods of data collection including automated bicycle counters at fixed points, mobile counters, and manual observational counts.

Begin the process of creating a new Bicycle Master Plan or updating your 2009 Transportation Master Plan Update. Having a regularly updated bicycle plan is key to improving conditions for bicycling, adhering to evolving best practices and national standards, and institutionalizing processes for continual evaluation and improvement. Ensure the new plan includes specific and measurable goals and performance measures to track progress, is informed by an inclusive public input and planning process, and is supported by a dedicated budget for implementation. Consider incorporating FHWA’s Bikeway Selection Guide: https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/docs/fhwasa18077.pdf and the FHWA Small Town and Rural Multimodal Network Guide for the more rural contexts: https://ruraldesignguide.com.

MORE RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING YOUR COMMUNITY:

- Resources for Building a Bicycle Friendly Community: https://bikeleague.org/BFC_Resources
- About the BFC Application Process: https://bikeleague.org/content/about-bfc-application-process
- Building Blocks of a Bicycle Friendly Community: https://bikeleague.org/content/building-blocks-bicycle-friendly-communities
- The Five E’s: https://bikeleague.org/5-es
- Smart Cycling Program: https://bikeleague.org/ridesmart
- Advocacy Reports and Resources: http://bikeleague.org/reports