



BETHLEHEM, PA

TOTAL POPULATION

75,000

POPULATION DENSITY

3704

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

19.4

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Bethlehem
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	40%	0%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	47%	6%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	3%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	GOOD
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MONTHLY OR MORE FREQUENTLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	SOME	ACCEPTABLE
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 91K	1 PER 75K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	3/10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	5/10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3/10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	4/10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	4/10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Bethlehem
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.6%	0.6%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	549	2322
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	7.3	9



KEY STEPS TO SILVER

- » Adopt a Complete Streets policy and create implementation guidance. By adopting a Complete Streets policy, communities direct their transportation planners and engineers to routinely design and operate the entire right-of-way to enable safe access for all users, regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation.
- » Bethlehem has a limited bicycle network. Based on the data provided it is unlikely that it provides a low-stress experience suitable for people of all ages and abilities. A complete streets policy can help your community take advantage of low-cost opportunities to improve your bicycle network during repaving or other road maintenance activities.
- » Policies and practices relating to bicycle parking could be

improved. It would be valuable to study current bicycle parking and future bicycle parking needs. Without secure and convenient bicycle parking it is difficult for a person to choose to ride their bicycle for transportation or utilitarian trips.

- » Your application indicated that there are current restrictions on sidewalk use and road use in your community. If there are not appropriate alternative facilities these restrictions can create barriers to bicycling that are difficult to overcome. Ensure that these restrictions are only in place where necessary for safety and that alternative facilities exist to mitigate the impact of these restrictions.
- » Continue Vision Zero efforts to improve road safety for all users. Current data shows a higher than average bicycle crash rate.