



WEST HARTFORD, CT

TOTAL POPULATION
63,286

POPULATION DENSITY
2,898

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)
22.3

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES **0**

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES **0**

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	West Hartford
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	37%	8%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	45%	27%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	12%	5%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	SOME	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 100K	1 PER 30K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	3.3 /10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	2.2 /10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	2.3 /10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	3.3 /10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3.9 /10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	West Hartford
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.6%	0.20%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	523	1,563
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	5.8	0



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



- » Congratulations on adopting the 2016 Bicycle Facilities Plan! Ensure that there is dedicated funding for the implementation of this plan and that it is followed to develop a more connected network of safe and comfortable bicycle facilities.
- » Continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking at popular destinations throughout the community.
- » Consider launching a public bike share system for visitors and residents.
- » Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to expand and improve the Safe Routes to School program to all schools, and consider appointing a Safe Routes to School Coordinator for the community. In particular, middle and high school education efforts could be improved, and are particularly important as students learn to drive and share the road.

- » Host a League Cycling Instructor (LCI) seminar to increase the number of active local LCIs in your community.
- » Develop a community-wide trip reduction program.
- » 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.
- » Adopt a comprehensive Vision Zero policy to create engineering, education, and enforcement strategies to reduce traffic crashes and deaths for all road users, including bicyclists and pedestrians. Road diets, lane diets, and traffic calming treatments are important engineering components for addressing safety.