



# GRAYSLAKE, IL

TOTAL POPULATION

20831

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

12.5

POPULATION DENSITY

1666

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

## 10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Bronze	Grayslake
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	20%	42%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	25%	89%
Bicycle Education in Schools	AVERAGE	VERY GOOD
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	7%	7%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	AVERAGE	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	NO
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS QUARTERLY	NONE
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	AVERAGE	ACCEPTABLE
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	OUTDATED (2005)
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 154K	1 PER 104K

## CATEGORY SCORES

<b>ENGINEERING</b> <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	3/10
<b>EDUCATION</b> <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	3/10
<b>ENCOURAGEMENT</b> <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	1/10
<b>ENFORCEMENT</b> <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	5/10
<b>EVALUATION &amp; PLANNING</b> <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3/10

## KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Bronze	Grayslake
<b>RIDERSHIP</b> <i>Percentage of commuters who bike</i>	1.3%	0.7%
<b>SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES</b> <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	1093	354
<b>SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES</b> <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	20	0



## KEY STEPS TO BRONZE



- » Continue to expand the bike network and increase connectivity through the use of different types of bicycle facilities appropriate for the speed and volume of motor vehicle traffic on each road.
- » Policies and practices relating to bicycle parking could be improved. Studying current bike parking and future needs would be a good step for continued coordination with transit and potentially developing community bicycle branding.
- » Consider launching a village-wide bike share system that is open to the public. Bike sharing is a convenient, cost effective, and healthy way of encouraging locals and visitors to make short trips by bike, make bicycling more accessible to all, and to

bridge the 'last mile' between public transit and destinations.

- » Improve K-12 bicycle safety education for students of all ages by incorporating on-bicycle education. Providing bicycles in schools ensures that all students can learn to safely ride a bicycle regardless of the availability of a bicycle in their household. Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to expand and improve the Safe Routes to School program.
- » Expand bicycle education opportunities for adults. 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

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## KEY STEPS TO BRONZE CONTINUED

event, Bike to School Day event, and/or a Mayor's Ride. 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.

» Increase the number of local League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) in your community, either by hosting an LCI seminar or sponsoring a Village staffer, Police Officer, and/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](http://bikeleague.org/ridesmart) for more information.

» Provide education to law enforcement officers on bicycle safety and 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.

» Appoint a staff member Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator or create a new position. Increase the amount of staff time spent on improving conditions for people who bike and walk. Increasing staff time, either by creating a position or changing the responsibilities of current staff, can have a positive impact on the ability of your community to execute bicycling and walking-related projects and programs.

» Create an official Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) 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.

» Begin the process of creating a new Bicycle Master Plan or updating your 2005 bike plan. Regularly updating your 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.

» 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.

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## MORE RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING YOUR COMMUNITY:

- » League of American Bicyclists: <http://www.bikeleague.org>
- » Guide to the BFC Report Card:  
[http://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/Guide\\_to\\_the\\_Bicycle\\_Friendly\\_Community\\_Report\\_Card.pdf](http://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/Guide_to_the_Bicycle_Friendly_Community_Report_Card.pdf)
- » Building Blocks of a Bicycle Friendly Community:  
<http://bikeleague.org/content/building-blocks-bicycle-friendly-communities>
- » The Five E's: <http://bikeleague.org/content/5-es>
- » Community FAQs & Resources: <http://bikeleague.org/content/community-faq-resources>
- » Smart Cycling Program: <http://bikeleague.org/ridesmart>
- » Advocacy Reports and Resources: <http://bikeleague.org/reports>

