



BILLINGS, MT

TOTAL POPULATION

109,544

POPULATION DENSITY

2507

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

44

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

4

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

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10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Billings
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	0%
Total on- and off-road Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	48%	17%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	2%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	AVERAGE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 78K	1 PER 78K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	2.4/10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	3.3/10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3.6/10
ENFORCEMENT & SAFETY <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	2.1/10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3.4/10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Billings
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.7%	0.67%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	537	822
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	6.3	10.61



KEY STEPS TO SILVER



- » Continue to implement the Complete Street Policy and ensure that planners and engineers follow a bicycle facility selection criteria that increases separation and protection of bicyclists based on levels of motor vehicle speed and volume. Identify and prioritize existing connectivity gaps and create a dedicated funding source to tackle these challenges and support ongoing bikeway improvements.
- » 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, APBP-compliant bike parking available.
- » Continue to expand bicycle safety education to be a routine part of education for students of all ages, and ensure that schools and the surrounding neighborhoods are particularly safe and convenient for biking and walking. Work with local bicycle groups and interested parents to create Safe Routes to School programming for all K-12 schools.

- » Host a League Cycling Instructor (LCI) seminar to increase the number of local LCIs in your community. 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.
- » Adopt a comprehensive road safety plan or a Vision Zero policy to identify specific strategies to reduce traffic crashes and deaths for all road users, including bicyclists and pedestrians.
- » 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.
- » **More resources for building a Bicycle Friendly Community:**
https://bikeleague.org/BFC_Resources