

KCMO Bicycle/Pedestrian Friendly Communities Action Plan FY 2009

Ten Action Steps as defined by the League of American Bicyclists

1) Adopt target level of bicycle use and safety to be achieved within specific timeframe and improve data collection to monitor progress

Where We Are	Local Action Step
* 2004 Household Travel Survey - MARC indicates .5% bicycle and 1% pedestrian mode shares.	
	* Conduct bicycle/pedestrian counts & survey as part of National Documentation project to establish baseline data.
	* Complete data analysis and prepare written report of findings from bike/ped counts to establish baseline data.

2) Provide safe & convenient bicycle access to all parts of the city through a signed network of on- and off-street facilities. Establish a system for reporting hazards.

Where We Are	Local Action Step
* Constructed 32.5 miles of shared use trails.	* Construct 5 miles of shared use trails.
	* Design 9 miles of trails.
* Installed 6.5 miles of bike lanes.	* Construct .3 miles of bike lanes.
	* Design 6.5 miles of bike lanes.
* Installed 30 miles of signed bike routes.	* Install 175 miles of signed bike routes.
* Installed 50 bike racks.	* Install 100 bike racks.
	* Work with 311 Action Center to determine appropriate means of reporting hazards.

3) Establish information programs to promote bicycling & walking for all purposes

Where We Are	Goal
* 2008 KC co-sponsored 3 different bike commuting challenge contests, giving away 6 bicycles.	
* 2008 Car Free Challenge had 1,094 registered participants, logging 41,019 miles, eliminating 38,885 pounds of CO2 emissions and saving 2,279 gallons of gas.	* KCMO will sponsor & promote bike week activities including the Car Free Challenge, print and distribute posters and safety education information.
	* KCMO will sponsor First Annual KC Women On Wheels Bike Festival.
	* Distribute bike/ped safety education materials at Tour of Missouri & KC WOW Bike Festival.
	* Update bike/ped webpages on City's website.
	* Update Bike KC and Trails KC maps, print & distribute.
	* Secure funding to create walking tour guide of downtown.
* Sponsored International Walk to School Day in partnership with KC Healthy Kids at 8 elementary & middle schools.	* Sponsor and promote International Walk to School Day in partnership with KC Healthy Kids at 10 elementary & middle schools.

4) Make the City a model employer by encouraging bicycle use among it's employees

Where We Are	Goal
* Provide bike 15 bike parking spaces inside City Hall garage for city employees.	
* Provide subsidized bus passes for city employees	
	* Install 100 bike racks at all community centers, parks and city owned parking garages.
	* Provide subsidized bus passes for city employees
	* Redesign bike parking area in City Hall garage and update bike parking facilities.
	* Review Bike Commuter Act for potential adoption to benefit City employees.
	* Research funding to implement pilot bike fleet for city employees.
	* Explore opportunity for shower only access fee with Fitness Source for city employees.

5) Ensure all city policies, plans, codes and programs are updated & implemented to create a bike friendly city. Offer staff in all departments training.

Where We Are	Goal
* Development Code - adopted stream buffer setback that allow for trails development.	* Adopt Development Code sections for bicycle parking & pedestrian overlay.
* Established the Pedicab Ordinance - March 2008.	
* Adopted Bike KC Plan - 2001.	
* Adopted Walkability Plan - 2002.	* Review Walkability Plan for implementation needs.
* Adopted Climate Protection Plan - 2007.	* Review Climate Protection Plan for implementation needs.
	* Complete Trails KC Plan - Nexus Study.
*Adopted Trails KC Plan - 2008.	* Adopt on- and off-street design standards as part of the KCMO Standards, Drawings, Specifications and Supplements to APWA
	* Incorporate multi-modal levels of service within the design standards in the Major Street Plan update.

6) Educate all road users to share the road and interact safely. Road design & education programs should combine to increase confidence of bicyclists.

Where We Are	Goal
* Provide representative to the Share the Road Safety Task Force	* Submit safety education & enforcement funding application in partnership with the Share the Road Safety Task Force to Destination: Safe.
	* Partner with Share the Road Safety Task Force and law enforcement to conduct pedestrian safety enforcement/education event; targeting area of high crash incidents.
	*Partner with Share the Road Safety Task Force and law enforcement to implement a "Light up the Night" campaign.
* Secured \$100k grant to implement adult bike safety education and skills clinics.	* Partner with Missouri Bicycle Foundation to deliver adult bike safety clinics.
	* Identify funding and community partner(s) to deliver bike/ped safety education for children.
	* Develop bike/ped safety education information on city web site.
	* Develop series of media releases regarding bicycle/pedestrian safety.

7) Enforce traffic laws to improve safety and comfort of all road users focusing on behaviors and attitudes that cause car/bike crashes

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8) Develop special programs to encourage bicycle use in communities where significant segments of the population do not drive and where short trips are common

Where We Are	Goal
* Partnered with WIN for KC to establish the KC Women on Wheels program	* Sponsor KC WOW Bike Festival and provide safety education materials at the event.
* Sponsored and promoted Car Free Challenge which rewards trips that are 5 miles or less for biking and 2 miles or less for walking	* Print and distribute Bike Week and Car Free Challenge information. Promote event to city employees through email and newsletter.
* Established Car Free Weekend on Cliff Drive for the summer/fall.	* Make Car Free Weekends on Cliff Drive year round.
* Created moving ad by shrink wrapping a KCATA bus. The bus is on a different route every day covering nearly every neighborhood.	* The bus is still circulating across the city with the "Bike There Walk There message.
	* Identify community partners to establish program for seniors & the disabled on bicycles
	* Identify community partners to establish walking clubs for seniors

9) Promote intermodal travel between bicycles and public transportation.

Where We Are	Goal
* 100% of KCATA fleet has bike carriers on buses.	
* KCATA conducted bike counts on buses for month of May. 219 average daily riders use the bike carriers on the buses.	* Work with KCATA to conduct annual bike on bus useage in May.
* All park and ride lots have bike racks	* Work with KCATA to properly install current bike parking racks at bus stops.
	* Work with KCATA to develop a bike use question for their annual rider survey.

10) Establish a citywide, multi-disciplinary committee for nonmotorized mobility to submit to the Mayor and Council a regular evaluation and action plan for becoming a bicycle friendly community.

Where We Are	Goal
* BPAC established by Ordinance	* Create annual action plan to evaluate & report progress