



LIMA, OH

TOTAL POPULATION

38355

POPULATION DENSITY

2795.6

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

13.7

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	Lima
Arterial Streets with Bike Lanes	45%	NO ROADS >35 MPH
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	30%	157%
Public Education Outreach	GOOD	AVERAGE
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	43%	8%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	ACTIVE	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	ACTIVE	QUARTERLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	SOME	ACCEPTABLE
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 70K	1 PER 63925 K

CATEGORY SCORES

ENGINEERING <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	3 / 10
EDUCATION <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	2 / 10
ENCOURAGEMENT <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3 / 10
ENFORCEMENT <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	2 / 10
EVALUATION & PLANNING <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	3 / 10

KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	Lima
RIDERSHIP <i>Percentage of daily bicyclists</i>	3.5%	0.3%
SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES <i>Crashes per 10k daily bicyclists</i>	180	4195
SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES <i>Fatalities per 10k daily bicyclists</i>	1.4	0



- » Bicycle-safety education should be a routine part of education, for students of all ages, and schools and the surrounding neighborhoods should be particularly safe and convenient for biking and walking. Work with your local bicycle groups or interested parents to expand and improve the Safe Routes to School program to all schools.
- » Conduct a Level of Traffic Stress analysis to better understand the ability of your network to connect traveler' origins to their destinations without subjecting them to unacceptably stressful links. This type of analysis is particularly useful for communities that have goals to increase bicycle use or encourage more "interested but concerned" riders to bike more often.

- » Adopt policies that promote shorter trip distances between housing, commercial areas, and workplaces such as mixed use zoning, street connectivity policies for developments, Form-based Codes, or other land use regulations that allow compact development that support people biking and walking.
- » Continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community. Ensure that people arriving by bicycle have a secure and legal place to lock their bikes at popular destinations. Increasing and improving bicycle parking should also include increasing the diversity of bicycle parking types, particularly to accommodate long-term and short-term parking at transit and commercial districts.



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David J. Berger, Mayor

Lima, OH a Bicycle Friendly Community (Bronze)

Thank you to Mayor Berger, the Lima Police Department, the Allen County Bike and Pedestrian Task Force, Allen County Public Health, Activate Allen County, and the Lima Allen County Regional Planning Commission and of course you the cyclists of Lima for all that you are doing for bicyclists.

The League of American Bicyclists founded in 1880 to advocate for better roads for bicycling, represents the nation's 57 million cyclists in its mission to lead the movement to create a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone.

The Bicycle Friendly Community program is revolutionizing the way communities evaluate their quality of life, sustainability and transportation needs, while allowing them to benchmark their progress toward improving their bicycle-friendliness.

Since 2002, the program has accepted over 870 applications for designation and there are currently 408 Bicycle Friendly Communities in 50 states.

The program emphasizes that bicycling is a simple solution to many of the challenges we face in our country. As Lima residents know well, bicycling is about mobility, sustainability, health and so much more - Bicycle Friendly Communities are great places to live, work and visit.

As Lima and the rest of the team here will certainly tell you, applying for BFC designation is no small endeavor. It takes tremendous effort to gather all of the information required, and to bring all the right people to the table.

The League was impressed with many aspects of Lima's efforts to build a world-class bicycle-friendly community:

- The great people pushing to make Lima a community that actively welcomes cycling of all kinds.
- The Ottawa River Bikeway, the bicycle youth education by the Lima Police Dept. and other Allen Co. Agencies, the shared lanes and bicycle lanes, and the neighborhood connector routes connecting our schools and parks.
- And of course, the great support from Mayor Berger, the Lima Police Department, the Allen County Bike and Pedestrian Task Force, Allen County Public Health, JAMPD, and the Lima Allen County Regional Planning Commission, and citizens.

On behalf of the League of American Bicyclists, I'm pleased to present the **Lima** with a **Bronze** Bicycle Friendly Community Award. Congratulations!

