

VOICES FOR OUR STREETS AND BIKE MASTER PLAN KICKOFF MEETING



WELCOME

Help make biking safer, easier, and more convenient - share your ideas and priorities for the new Yakima Bicycle Master Plan. The open house will include presentations on Complete Streets and opportunities for participants to:

- Prioritize goals and objectives;
- Provide ideas for future bike routes;
- Submit ideas for what should be included in the Bicycle Master Plan.



WHY HAVE A PLAN?

The City of Yakima is in the process of developing a Bicycle Master Plan. This plan will be contained within the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Master Plan. These plans are required by the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA). With this Plan, the City aims to determine the most logical method of creating a connected network of bicycle facilities that serve the broad spectrum of individuals that bicycle in Yakima.



WHO IS DEVELOPING THE PLAN?

The City's Utilities and Engineering Department plan is overseeing the development of the Master Plan with input from:

- Strategic Projects/Community Development Department
- Planning Department
- City Council Built Environment Committee
- Yakima BMP Project Advisory Committee (PAC)



WHAT WILL THE PLAN DO?

- Gather community input on existing conditions, barriers to bicycling in Yakima, and priorities for improvement.
- Build on the existing and planned bicycle facilities and bicycle-friendly trails.
- Develop a Citywide bicycle network that includes arterial and neighborhood routes.
- Prioritize improvements to the bicycle network and develop a plan for implementation.
- Develop policy and program recommendations in the areas of education, encouragement, enforcement, and evaluation.



HOW DOES BICYCLING FIT IN WITH COMPLETE STREETS?

- Complete Streets are designed and operated to enable safe access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities.
- Every street is unique and has its own context; as a result there is not singular prescription for a Complete Street.
- Proposed improvements made in Yakima Bicycle Master Plan will make Yakima's streets safer and more comfortable for all users.



HOW TO STAY UPDATED AND INVOLVED

The City of Yakima is asking Yakima residents to help identify ways to make biking safer, easier and more convenient. Visit the project website for information and updates:

www.yakimawa.gov/services/planning/comprehensive-plan-update/bicycle-master-plan/



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PROJECT OBJECTIVES



HELP DEFINE THE OBJECTIVES FOR YAKIMA'S BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

Proposed Objectives

The following Goals and Objectives for the Yakima Bicycle Master Plan have been derived from the Plan Steering Committee. The Objectives will be used to frame the Plan document in terms of programs and policies, project prioritization, implementation and evaluation.

Please put a dot next to the top **THREE** Goals and Objectives you believe should be recommended in the Yakima Bicycle Master Plan.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES	
Safety - Create a bicycle network that is safe and comfortable for bicyclists of all ages and abilities.	
Connectivity - Create a connected network of on-street bicycle facilities and off-street trails that link destinations, transit, and neighborhoods.	
Education - Educate both motorists and bicyclists about the rights and responsibilities of all road users. Also provide city staff the opportunity to learn about and be involved in planning, design, maintenance, and construction about best practices for addressing the needs of bicyclists.	
Wayfinding - Provide easily accessible information, e.g., signage, maps, about the bicycle network system and how to use it.	
Maintenance of bike facilities - Maintain existing infrastructure, e.g., trails, paths while installing new bicycle facilities.	
Cost efficiency - Identify an implementation strategy that includes identifying funding sources and mechanisms, policy changes, and developing partnerships that are cost effective.	
Increased mobility options - Provide the ability to take trips by multiple modes and establish connections between modes.	
Other? - Let us know if you have other suggestions?	



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