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Application Tips

- The application is designed for communities of all sizes. Please note that some questions will not apply to a small rural community or Census Designated Place, for example, but will apply to a large city. The judges will take the size and type of the community into account when making the award decision.
- You can export and print a copy of the draft or final application by logging into your account and clicking on the PDF button next to the application.
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- If you would like to share any documents such as a bike plan or a bike map with the reviewers, please include a link to the file either under the relevant question or in the last question of each section if there is not enough space. We recommend using a service such as TinyURL (tinyurl.com/) to shorten any long links.
- Please invite cyclists in your community to become local reviewers for your application. Interested cyclists can sign up at bikeleague.org/content/become-local-reviewer. The deadline to sign up is August 16, 2015 midnight Eastern.

Name of Community

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Sun Prairie

County/Borough/Parish

Dane

State

Wisconsin

Has the community applied to the Bicycle Friendly Community program before?

Yes

No

If yes, what was the result of the community's last application?

No designation

Honorable Mention

Bronze

Silver

Gold

Platinum

If designated, what year was your community first awarded a Bronze or higher award?

Mayor or top elected official (include title)

Paul Esser, Mayor

Phone

608-825-1164

Email

pepper@cityofsunprairie.com

Address

300 E. Main Street, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Community Website

<http://www.cityofsunprairie.com>

Link to community map (Google)

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/City+of+Sun+Prairie/@43.183079,-89.210381,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!3m1!1s0x8806f7cd0ecbc6e7:0x38a307e8483f62d1>

BFC Contact Profile

Note: This person will receive any future BFC related communication from the League.

Name of BFC contact

Peter S. Dettmer

Title

Co-Founder - Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group

Department

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Employer

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Address (No PO Box, please)

120 Windsor St.

City

Sun Prairie

State

Wisconsin

Zip

53590

Phone

608-215-4742

Email

pcdettmer@gmail.com

Is the BFC contact also the Bicycle Program Manager?

Yes

No

If no, does your community have a Bicycle Program Manager?

Yes

No

If different from above, what is the Bicycle Program Manager's contact information? Please include name, email and phone number.

Does your community have a Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator?

Yes

No

If different from above, what is the contact information of the Director of your community's Department of Transportation (or equivalent). Please include name, email and phone number.

Scott Kugler - skugler@cityofsunprairie.com - 608-825-1107

If different from above, what is the applicant name and email?



Community Profile

1. **Type of Jurisdiction.** NOTE: The application will be referring to your type of jurisdiction as “community” throughout the application, which does not include bicycle amenities, services and other resources outside your boundaries.

- Town/City/Municipality
- County/Borough/Parsih
- Metropolitan Planning Organization/Council of Governments
- Regional Planning Organization
- Rural Planning Organization
- Census Designated Place (CDPs are populated areas that lack separate municipal government, but which otherwise physically resemble incorporated places. CDPs are identified by the United States Census Bureau for statistical purposes.)
- Indian Country
- Military Base
- Other

2. **For purposes of comparison, would you describe your community as largely urban**

3. **Climate**Average daytime temperature (in °F)

January

18

April

50

July

71

October

43

Average precipitation (in inches)

January

1.2

April

3.3

July

4.1

October

2.3

4. **Size of community (in sq. mi.)**

Total area

12.1

Water area

0.0

Land area

12.1

5. **Total Population**

30871

6. **College/University student population (during semester)**

N/A

7. **Population Density (Person per sq. mi. of land area)**

2401.4

8. **Median Household Income**

66544

9. **Age distribution (in percent)**

Under 5

8.5

Age 5-19

27.9

Age 20-64

54.7

Age 65+

8.9

Totals (should equal 100)

100

10. **Race (in percent)**

White

85.4

Black or African American

6.1

American Indian and Alaska Native

0.3

Asian

3.7

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander

Some other race

1.5

Two or more races

3.0

Totals (should equal 100)

100

Hispanic or Latino (of any race)

3.19

11. **How many government employees (including the Bicycle Program Manager and the Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator), expressed in full-time equivalents (FTE), work on bicycle issues in your community? NOTE: A person that spends 1/10 of their time on bicycle issues would be counted as 0.1 FTE.**

0.15



11a. What percentage of the community's Bicycle Program Manager's time is spent on bicycling issues?

No Bicycle Program Manager

11b. What percentage of the community's Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator's time is spent on bicycling issues?

- 10% or less
 11-25%
 26-50%
 51-75%
 76-100%

No Safe Routes To School Coordinator

12. Do you have an officially recognized Bicycle Advisory Committee?

- Yes
 No

12a. How often does it meet?

N/A

12b. How many members serve on the committee?

12c. Which of the following groups are represented or regularly attend the Bicycle Advisory Committee? Check all that apply.

- Residents
 Law Enforcement
 Chamber of Commerce
 Public Health
 Planning Department
 Transportation Department
 School Board or School System
 Parks Department
 Recreation Department
 Transit Agency
 Other

12d. Name and email of Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair

13. Does your local government have an internal equity, diversity or inclusion initiative, committee or position?

- Yes
 No
 Other

If yes or other, please describe the initiative/committee/position, and provide the name and email address of the primary contact.

Aaron Oppenheimer; City Administrator; aoppenheimer@cityofsunprairie.com

14. List all bicycle advocacy groups in your community

Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group, Wisconsin Bicycle Federation

14a. List all

Wisconsin Bicycle Federation

14b. List the name and email of the primary contact for each bicycle and transportation equity advocacy group. If a primary contact is the applicant or BFC contact, list an alternative contact.

Sarah Gaskell; Wisconsin Bicycle Federation; (608) 709-2943; sarah.gaskell@wisconsinbikefed.org

14c. List all advocacy groups that are working with you on this application.

Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group, Wisconsin Bicycle Federation

15. What are the primary reasons your community has invested in bicycling? Check all that apply.

- Improved quality of life
 Improving public health
 Community connectivity
 Community connectivity
 Provide affordable transportation options
 Reduce car-parking demands
 Climate change/environmental stewardship concerns
 Decrease traffic congestion
 Increase tourism
 Increase property values
 Cooperation with adjacent communities
 Public demand
 Economic development
 Support Smart Growth or other growth management goals (An urban planning and transportation concept that concentrates population growth in compact walkable urban centers. Its goals are to achieve a unique sense of community and place; expand the range of transportation, employment, and housing choices; equitably distribute the costs and benefits of development; preserve and enhance natural and cultural resources; and promote public health.)
 Traffic and bicycle/pedestrian safety
 Meet local or state requirements
 Other

16. What was your community's most significant achievement for bicycling in the past 12 months? (500 word limit)

The most significant achievement for bicycling was the founding of the Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group (SPBAG), a grass roots organization of well over 200 members. The vision of the SPBAG is to establish paths, routes and trails that will allow for access of 90 percent of the City by bicycle. Membership includes the Mayor of Sun Prairie, the Chief Planner, the Director of Community Development as well as a current County Supervisor, all of whom are active cyclists and participate in SPBAG activities. The SPBAG works with both City staff and elected officials to advance the cause of bicycling. The group also helps other bicycling-related groups, such as the Sun Prairie Youth Cycling Team (Red Fury), the Sun Prairie MTB NICA team, the Sun Prairie Cycling Group and the Sun Prairie Women's Cycling Groups with their group initiatives. Additionally, a Co-Founder of the SPBAG represents Sun Prairie on the Madison Area Transportation Planning Board (an MPO). Another Co-Founder worked with the Madison area Active Living workshop to make our Bicycling Friendly Community application the best initial application it could possibly be. As a group, the SPBAG has achieved the following in the past year: 1) Helped to facilitate the creation and opening of a long-planned but stalled bike path that helps to connect the east and west sides of the City via an existing tunnel under a state highway. 2) Arranged for an official proclamation of Bike to Work Week. 3) Staffed two commuter stations for BTWW. 4) Sponsored and staffed secure bike parking for 3 events in the City 5) Held a free ride and BBQ (Beer, Brats and Bikes) for the local bicycling community attended by 55 riders and kicked off by the Mayor. 6) Submitted a proposal to the City Council through established processes requesting to establish, in cooperation with the Capital Off-Road Pathfinders (CORP, the local IMBA chapter), a system of single track trails in a local park. Ultimately the proposal was denied but there was significant support for the idea in a different location. The follow-up proposal is pending. 7) Initiated an interactive map of all bike parking facilities in the city. In progress. 8) Established a Continuity project with a Project Manager to map the City in preparation for updating the City bike maps. This will be a major step toward reaching our 90% accessibility goal. An active and engaged grass roots organization can be the cornerstone of true progress toward a community that is more livable for all its residents. The SPBAG is such an organization. That's why we feel it's the most significant achievement.

17. If you have applied to the BFC program before, describe any improvements that have occurred for cycling in your community since your last application. (500 word limit)



Not applicable

18. What was your community's biggest challenge to bicycling in the recent past? How was this issue addressed? (500 word limit)

In the past, Sun Prairie bicycle infrastructure and policies depended largely on the efforts of individuals on the City staff. Bicycling has never been a focus of elected officials in our City, either. As with the staff, while there were elected officials who were interested in cycling it was never a priority. As a predictable result there are many discontinuities when it comes to bicycle facilities. Some examples: 1) While there are numerous bike routes, lanes, paths and trails throughout the City that are both functional and beautiful, at the same time many of those same routes often begin and/or end with no connectivity to any other paths or trails. 2) There are regulations mandating new development in our fast-growing community that require bike parking be provided at new commercial and retail buildings, but there are no processes to assure the parking is actually installed. 3) There is was no clear way to get from the east side of the City by bike. While there is still no clear, safe way to get from the north side of the City to the south side, with the help of the east/west route had very recently been opened as detailed in other parts of this application. 4) As there was no real interest, funding for bicycle-related projects was non-existent. What's being done. In the past there was no organization with interest or expertise surrounding bicycling as transportation, recreation or sport. The founding of the Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group (SPBAG) changed that. The City Council, at the time of the founding of the group, had little time for nor interest in bicycling. Fortunately, in 2015 there were elections scheduled for Mayor and the City Council in several districts. At the run-up to the elections, the SPBAG had about 180 members. Given fact that the margin of victory on the previous mayoral election was under 300 votes, the candidates took notice when we offered to sponsor a non-partisan mayoral forum. All 3 candidates showed up along with 35 Sun Prairie residents. This was a better turnout than any of the other 3 mayoral forums including the one sponsored by the Senior Citizen's center. While we can't take credit for the victories, the newly-elected Mayor and two of the newly elected alders are very bicycle friendly, and the Mayor is a member of our group. The SPBAG is now the de facto "go-to" organization for bicycling information within the City. From the Mayor to City staff to law enforcement, when there are questions about bikes, we get the call. Bicycling is now on the radar during the planning process and during new development. Both the Chief Planner and the Business Development Director are also members of the SPBAG.

19. What specific improvements do you have planned for bicycling in the next 12 months? (250 word limit)

Approximately 3,000 linear feet of path along the east side of CTH C, between Windsor Street and St. Albert the Great Drive; approximately 600 linear feet of path along the west side of S. Bird Street to provide additional access to the little league ball diamonds; approximately 1,700 linear feet of path as part of the next phase of development in the Meadow Crossing neighborhood, located east of Grove Street near the high school.

Engineering

20. Does your community currently have any of the following policies in place? Check all that apply.

- Local Complete Streets policy (Ensures that transportation planners and engineers consistently design and operate the entire roadway with all users in mind - including bicyclists, public transportation vehicles and riders, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities. (National Complete Streets Coalition))
- Local bicycle routine accommodation policy (A policy that requires the accommodation of cyclists in all new road construction, reconstruction and resurfacing.)
- Neither

20a. When was it adopted?

November 2009

20b. Provide a link to this legislation or policy

<http://www.cityofsunprairie.com/397/Comprehensive-Plan-Volume-2> See Chapter 8 (Volume 2) of the City's comp plan – it includes goals, objectives and policies that relate to bike/ped safety and infrastructure, but no specific policy regarding implementation of complete streets (see page 8-23 of Chapter 8 – policy #10)

20c. Since the adoption of the legislation or policy, what percentage of the implemented road projects (where bicycle facilities were considered) includes bicycle facilities?

There were no bicycle facilities (stations or structures) included in the plan. However, roadways, roundabouts, multi-use paths and bike paths have been implemented as part of the plan at about 50% of the projects.

20d. What tools are in place to ensure policy compliance? Check all that apply.

- Requirement to go through an administrative process if no bicycle/pedestrian facilities are proposed
- Implementation guidance
- Design manual
- Training
- Oversight by Bicycle Coordinator
- Implementation checklist
- None of the above

21. Does your community have bicycle facility selection criteria that increases separation and protection of bicyclists based of levels of motor vehicle speed and volume?

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe (100 word limit)

22. Does your community currently have any of the following additional policies in place? Check all that apply.

- Design manual that meets current AASHTO standards
- Design manual that meets current NACTO standards
- Streetscape design guidelines (Streetscape design guidelines can help create more diverse transportation systems and more accessible communities by improving non-motorized travel conditions and creating more attractive urban environments. (Victoria Transport Policy Institute).)
- Mixed-use zoning
- Form-based/design-based codes (A code based primarily on urban form or urban design, including the relationship of buildings to each other, to streets and to open spaces – rather than being based primarily on land use. (Palo Alto))
- Connectivity policy or standards (Requires transportation planners to establish a certain minimum amount of street intersections per mile, with some exceptions.)
- Policy to preserve abandoned rail corridors for multi-use trails
- Other
- None of the above

23. How do you ensure your engineers and planners accommodate bicyclists according to AASHTO and NACTO standards? (Check all that apply.)

- Offer FHWA/National Highway Institute Training Course
- Hire outside consultants to train staff
- Send staff to bicycle-specific conferences/training
- APBP webinars
- Require project consultants to have bike/ped qualifications
- Adopted a local design manual
- Other
- None of the above

24. Which of the following significant physical barriers to cycling exist in your community? Check all that apply.

- Major highways
- Bridges that are inaccessible or unsafe for cyclists
- Tunnels that are inaccessible or unsafe for cyclists
- Large body of water (e.g. river)
- Roads with bicycle bans
- Railroad corridors
- Other
- No significant physical barriers

25. How do you ensure that there are end-of-trip facilities for bicyclists? Check all that apply.

- Bike parking ordinance for existing buildings specifying amount and location



- Bike parking ordinance for all new developments specifying amount and location
- Ordinance requiring showers and lockers in existing non-residential buildings
- Ordinance requiring showers and lockers in new non-residential buildings
- Building accessibility ordinance (Bicycles are allowed to be parked inside non-residential buildings)
- On-street bike parking/bicycle corrals (On-street bicycle parking, which is clearly differentiated from the roadway through paint, small buffers, flexible bollards or a combination of elements. It generally consists of 6-12 bicycle racks that lie either diagonal or perpendicular to the roadway. (Bike Portland))
- Ordinance that allows bike parking to substitute for car parking
- Requirement for new developments to meet (Certification by the US Green Building Council that a development's location and design meet accepted high levels of environmentally responsible, sustainable standards.)
- Developers are eligible for density bonuses for providing end-of-trip facilities (Allows developments to increase the level of density surpassing the allowable Floor Area Ratio in exchange for amenities needed by the community, e.g. bike parking.)
- Other
- None

26. Do your standards for bicycle parking:

- Conform with APBP guidelines?
- Address the need for parking spaces for cargo bicycles?
- Address the need for facilities to recharge electric assist bicycles?
- No standards

27. What is the total number of public and private bike parking SPACES in your community? NOTE: Please only include usable bicycle parking spaces if a rack has been installed incorrectly, e.g. against a wall.

60 racks with appx 8 spaces for bicycles each (total of 480) - more details here: <http://sunprairiemoves.org/location/>

27a. What percentage of bike racks conform with APBP guidelines?

26-50%

27b. Of the total bike parking available, please specify the percentage of bike parking spaces that are:

Bike lockers

None

In indoor bike depots (i.e. Bikestation)

None

In bike corrals (on-street bike parking)

None

Suitable for cargo bicycles or bicycles towing trailers

1-5%

Include facilities to recharge electric assist bicycles

None

27c. Approximately what percentage of the following locations has bike racks or storage units? Answer all that apply.

Public and private schools

More than 90%

Day care, child care centers and preschools

26-50%

Higher Education Institutions

N/A

Libraries

More than 90%

Hospitals and medical centers

More than 90%

Transit stations and major bus stops

N/A

Parks & recreation centers

More than 90%

Other government owned buildings and facilities

More than 90%

Event venues (e.g. convention center, movie complex)

More than 90%

Hotels & restaurants

26-50

Office buildings

26-50%

Retail stores (excluding grocery stores)

51-75%

Grocery stores

More than 90%

Multi-family housing

26-50%

Public housing

N/A

28. Does your community have transit service (bus, light rail, heavy rail)?

- Yes
- No

28a. Are bikes allowed inside transit vehicles?

- Yes
- Sometimes
- No

If yes or sometimes, describe (50 word limit)

Sometimes....Sun Prairie partnered with a Madison taxi company for public transportation. Trips within the city limits are \$2.50. This includes East side of Madison. Vehicles have bike racks upon request.

28b. What percentage of buses are equipped with bike racks?

10% or less

29. What is the centerline mileage of the existing off-street bicycle network within your community?

34.7

30. How many miles of the following off-street bicycle accommodations do you have? Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)

Paved shared use paths (?10feet)

10.2

Paved shared use paths (? 8 and

24.5

Natural surface shared use paths (?10feet)



Singletrack

Other. Please describe (100 word limit)

31. What percentage of the paved shared-use paths that are at least 8 feet wide (in centerline mileage) parallel a road (directly adjacent to or within the right of way)?

25

32. What type of off-street path crossings of roads with posted speed limits above 25 mph are provided for bicyclists and pedestrians?

- Bike/pedestrian overpasses/underpasses
- Path crossing with high visibility markings or signs
- Raised path crossings
- Refuge islands
- Other
- Not applicable

33. What percentage of all unpaved trails are open to bicyclists?

All

33a. What are the exceptions? (100 word limit)

34. What is the centerline mileage of your road network (including federal, state and private roads)?

163.4

35. What is the street network density of your road network? (centerline miles of road per sq. mi. of land area)

10.1-15.0

36. What is the centerline mileage of your on-street bikeway network?

9.9

37. What percentage of arterial and major collectors have dedicated bicycle facilities that meet AASHTO standards?

38. What percentage of roads has posted speeds of ? 25mph?

80.5

38a. On streets with posted speeds of ? 25mph only, how many miles of each of the following bicycle facilities that meet or exceed AASHTO or NACTO standards do you have? Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)

Bike boulevards (not counted under Bicycle Boulevards)

Shared lane markings (not counted under Bicycle Boulevards)

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ?4feet and minimum clear path of ?4feet between rumble strips)

Bike lanes (incl. standard,

3.8 (Primary) & 3.6 (opposite)

Buffered bike lanes

Protected bike lanes (one-way or two-way)

Raised cycle tracks (one-way or two-way)

39. What percentage of streets has posted speeds of >25mph and ?35mph?

9.1

39a. On streets with posted speeds of >25mph and ?35mph only, how many miles of each of the following bicycle facilities that meet or exceed AASHTO or NACTO standards do you have? Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)

Shared lane markings

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ?4feet and minimum clear path of ?4feet between rumble strips)

Bike lanes (incl. standard,

Buffered bike lanes

Protected bike lanes (one-way or two-way)

Raised cycle tracks (one-way or two-way)

40. What percentage of streets has posted speeds of >35mph?

10.4

40a. On streets with posted speeds of >35mph only, how many miles of each of the following bicycle facilities that meet or exceed AASHTO or NACTO standards do you have? Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ?4feet and minimum clear path of ?4feet between rumble strips)

Bike lanes (incl. standard,

Buffered bike lanes

Protected bike lanes (one-way or two-way)

Raised cycle tracks (one-way or two-way)

41. How has your community calmed traffic? Check all that apply.

- Car-free/Car-restricted zones
- Shared Space/Home Zone/Living Street/Woonerf (A street that is designed primarily to accommodate non-vehicular traffic such as pedestrians and cyclists. Such streets also accommodate vehicles, but pedestrian and cyclists take precedence in the design process, which is communicated through signage. Often, there are curves to slow traffic, no curbs, intermittent parking, and trees and recreation areas for pedestrian use. (Living Street Alliance))
- Speed limits 20 mph or less on residential streets
- Physically altered the road layout or appearance to calm traffic speeds
- Road diets (A road diet entails converting a four-lane undivided roadway to a two-lane roadway plus a two-way left turn lane by removing a travel lane in each direction. The remaining roadway width is converted to bike lanes and other uses. This approach is an approved FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasure. (Road Diet Handbook))
- Other
- None



42. In what other ways have you improved conditions for bicyclists? Check all that apply.

- Bike cut-throughs
- Roundabouts that accommodate bicycles
- Colored bike lanes outside of conflict zones
- Removal of on-street car parking
- Advisory bike lanes (Advisory Bike Lanes give bicyclists priority on narrow roadways. Skip striping is used to show that, unlike a regular bike lane, the "advisory" bike lane may be used by motor vehicles passing each other, provided they yield to bicycles. (Portland))
- Off-street way-finding signage with distance and/or time information
- On-street way-finding signage with distance and/or time information
- Signed bike routes
- Other
- None

43. What percentage of your signalized intersections provides the following accommodations for bicyclists? If there are no signalized intersections, write N/A.
Bicycle signal heads

Green wave for cyclists in some locations

Signals timed for bicycle speeds

Timed signals

Demand activated signals with loop detector (and marking)

Video or microwave detection for demand-activated signals

Push-buttons that are accessible from the road

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Advance stop line or Bike Box

Colored bike lanes in conflict areas

Refuge islands

Right corner islands (pork chops)

Other, please describe (100 word limit)

44. Has your community ever removed AASHTO-standard bicycle infrastructure?

- Yes
- No
- No AASHTO-standard bicycle infrastructure

If yes, please explain (250 word limit).

45. Which of the following broader transportation policies and programs are in place in your community? Check all that apply.

- Maximum car parking standards (Addresses the problems that an oversupply of parking creates by limiting the number of parking spaces that developers can provide for their projects (Chapel Hill, NC))
- No minimum car parking standards (No minimum parking requirements for any land use.)
- Paid public parking
- Shared-parking allowances (Sharing of parking spaces between building occupancies that have different parking demands depending on the time of day or week, e.g. retail/commercial and residential (South Carolina))
- Congestion charges (A system of surcharging users of a transport network in periods of peak demand to reduce traffic congestion.)
- Prioritization of active mobility in planning and design processes
- Other
- None

46. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the on-street bicycle facilities (including shoulders) remain usable and safe? Select all that apply.

46a. Sweeping

Same time as other travel lanes

46b. Snow and ice clearance

Same time as other travel lanes

46c. Pothole maintenance

Within one week of complaint

46d. Describe any other maintenance policies or programs for the on-street bicycle network. (100 word limit)

47. What maintenance policies or programs ensure that off-street bicycle facilities remain usable and safe? Select all that apply.

47a. Sweeping

No off-street bicycle facilities

47b. Vegetation maintenance

No off-street bicycle facilities

47c. Snow and ice clearance

Within 48 hours of storm

47d. Surface repair

Within one week of complaint

47e. Describe any other maintenance policies or programs for the off-street bicycle network, if applicable. (100 word limit)

48. Is there a mechanism in place for cyclists to identify problem areas or hazards to traffic engineers, planners and police? Check all that apply.

- Online reporting
- Hotline
- Monthly meeting
- Other
- None

49. What specific bike infrastructure investments have been made in low-income neighborhoods (as defined by local regulations) and minority neighborhoods? If no low-income or minority neighborhoods, write N/A.

N/A

50. What specific bike infrastructure investments have been made around schools? If no schools, write N/A.

Sun Prairie just completed securing funding and completing the design for the construction of a new Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project. New sidewalks will be going



in on both sides of several roads near a local elementary school (Royal Oaks) where currently sidewalks do not exist. The estimated \$350,000 project will largely be funded by a federal grant; the city will be chipping in around \$50,000. The federal SRTS program encourages children to walk and bike to school. The SRTS project has been a long process because of the approvals required by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. This project fills one of the few remaining voids in neighborhoods surrounding the multiple local elementary schools and will sure to be an excellent avenue to further encourage kids to walk and bike to school.

51. Describe any other amenities or infrastructure improvements that your community provides or requires that create a comfortable and attractive bicycling environment. (500 word limit)

Sun Prairie has an abundance of multi-use trails that are off-road that facilitate walkers, joggers, and cyclists an opportunity to safely move throughout the city. Although the current goal of City officials and local advocacy groups is to “connect the dots” of these trails, the large number of trails throughout the city is a wonderful enhancement to the city landscape. Many of the trails have been enhanced with bridges crossing small water bodies, and in multiple locations there are “little libraries” that users can visit to take or leave a book left by others. Most recently, the City installed a brand new trail segment that connects a previously prohibited underpass by creating a path and tunnel system connecting to large multi-use trails. This wonderful tunnel, well light for users, has made a big impact on the City’s west side.

Education

52. What percentage of your public and private elementary schools offer regular bicycle education?

More than 90%

52a. Which type of bicycle education is offered to elementary students? Check all that apply.

- Bicycle education is a routine part of the PE curriculum
- Bicycle rodeo(s)
- Bicycle safety presentation
- Bicycle-related after-school program
- Bicycle summer camp
- Other

If other, please describe (250 word limit)

Bicycle safety classes are offered as part of summer school options.

53. What percentage of your public and private middle schools offer regular bicycle education?

76-90%

53a. Which type of bicycle education is offered to middle school students? Check all that apply.

- Bicycle education is a routine part of the PE curriculum
- Bicycle rodeo(s)
- Bicycle safety presentation
- Bicycle-related after-school program
- Bicycle summer camp
- Other

54. What percentage of your public and private high schools offer regular bicycle education?

More than 90%

54a. Which type of bicycle education is offered to high school students? Check all that apply.

- Bicycle education is a routine part of the PE curriculum
- Bicycle safety is taught as part of the driver education curriculum
- Bicycle safety presentation
- Bicycle-related after-school program
- Bicycle summer camp
- Other

55. Are bicycles provided to low-income students by the school district, police, non-profit or other entity to allow every student to participate in hands-on bicycle education instructions?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please describe (including funding source, if known).

Chad Wiedmeyer, Principal C.H. Bird Elementary School - funded thru donations of bicycles and parts.

56. Outside of schools, how are children taught safe cycling skills? Check all that apply.

- Learn to ride classes
- Bike clinics or rodeos (Teaches children the skills to ride their bicycle safely in a fun and non-competitive environment, includes instruction on how to properly fit a helmet.)
- ABCs of Family Biking, family bike show-and-tell, or similar program focused on families with toddlers and young children
- Youth bike clubs
- Youth development road or cross racing teams
- Youth development mountain bike racing teams
- Helmet fit seminars
- Safety town area (A program for children that teaches safety lessons about bicycles, traffic and other similar topics. The program can be held at a school or a permanent “safety town” facility.)
- Trail riding classes
- Other
- None of the above

If other, describe (250 word limit)

Bike with the principal. A city wide initiative that invites all elementary level children and parents to bike the elementary school principals. This occurs in Spring and Fall, twice per year. The Sun Prairie Police department also participates and assists with safety and training for the event, as well as officers on bicycles.

57. How many times per year are the following adult bicycling education classes held within your community? Answer all that apply.

Traffic Skills 101 classes or equivalent (full-day training course, including classroom and on-bike instruction)

1

Cycling Skills classes (three to four hour classroom training courses)

1

Commuter classes (one to two hour classes)

Bicycle maintenance classes or workshops

2

57a. Do any of the above classes specifically target:

- Women
- Seniors
- Families with toddlers and young children
- Non-English speakers
- Minorities/People of Color
- Low-income populations (as defined by local regulations)
- University students
- LGBTQIA
- ADA community



Homeless community

57b. If there are bicycle education classes targeting Non-English speakers, please list the language(s) that the course and materials are provided in.

58. Is the bicycle education curriculum taught in your community accredited by the League of American Bicyclists? Learn more about the accreditation at bikeleague.org/content/accreditation-program.

Yes

No

59. Do you provide any of the following educational materials published by the League of American Bicyclists to community residents and/or businesses?

Smart Cycling Quick Guide

Smart Cycling Student Manual

Smart Cycling Education videos

Other

60. Do you offer regular bicycle skills courses for your transportation engineers and planners that include on-bike instruction and in-traffic cycling?

No

61. Has your community hosted a League Cycling Instructor seminar in the past two years?

No

62. How many League Cycling Instructors are there in your community? Tip: Enter your community name under "Connect Locally" at bikeleague.org. Then click "Find League Cycling Instructors in the top right corner of the map to see a list of active instructors."

62a. List League Cycling Instructors that have taught at least one class during the past 12 months. (250 word limit)

62b. Are there any other active bicycle safety instructors that are not affiliated with the League of American Bicyclists? Please list their names and affiliation.

Alison Anderson - Sun Prairie Area School District Brenda Hemenway - Sun Prairie Area School District Heather Lutes - Sun Prairie Area School District

63. Do you have a ticket diversion program? Check all that apply.

For motorists

For cyclists

No

64. What have you done in the last 18 months to educate motorists and bicyclists on sharing the road safely? Check all that apply.

Public service announcements

Share the Road educational videos on community website/TV channel

Community newsletter/magazine article

Information in new resident packet

Information for students and parents from the school system

Utility bill insert

Flyer/handout

Info sessions/lunch seminars

Bicycle ambassador program (Bicycle Ambassadors promote safe cycling through community organizing, education and outreach. (Transportation Alternatives))

Newspaper column/blog on bicycling

Dedicated bike page on community website

Billboards

Share the Road Signs

Share the Road information in driver's education

Other

None of the above

65. Which of the following groups of professional drivers have training that includes information on sharing the road with cyclists? Check all that apply.

Local government staff

Taxi drivers

Transit operators

School bus operators

Delivery drivers

Other

None of the above

66. Describe any other education efforts in your community that promote safe cycling. (500 word limit)

Sun Prairie is working on several bicycling related education efforts. Three teachers from the Sun Prairie Area School District wrote curriculum for our brand new bicycle safety unit within our 4th and 5th grade PE curriculum! They piloted this program this past spring and next year will be teaching it among all 7 elementary schools between September and June! We wrote a grant to the Sun Prairie Education Foundation and were awarded with funds to purchase 9 bicycles and storage racks. At the three elementary schools, we had no less than 450 students exposed to bicycle safety as our new curriculum this spring! We also have joined forces with the SP Police Department and will be receiving salvaged/reclaimed bicycles from them 2x per year. A parent who works for Trek Bicycle has agreed to help us out with minor repairs to get the bikes in proper safe working order, as well as contact organizations that have a need for the extra bicycles that have no chance of survival (17 this last round) to pick up for parts! Then following each school year, we are attempting to pair our students who do not have a bicycle with these donated bicycles! We are also looking to increase the annual Bike Rodeo, run through the Sun Prairie's Lion's Club, offered at more than just one school. The last bike rodeo had over 200 kids participate. Each got their bicycles registered and competed in a bicycle skills and safety course. Employees of the TREK Bicycle Store inspected and tuned-up each bicycle. The first three places from each grade level received a bicycle and over 50 bike helmets were handed out to children who needed them. The Sun Prairie Recreation department is offering bicycling safety classes for 3rd-5th graders. They learn about signs, rules of the road and how to stay safe on their bikes. The classes are offered for 3 consecutive weeks (6 days total) for a small fee. There are also weekly rides offered specifically for women, road cyclists and casual riders, including families and children, which are led by experienced cyclists who encourage safe cycling practices, explain the rules of the road and how to stay safe in group rides on local roads. One officer of the Sun Prairie Police Department participated in a 2-day enforcement training around pedestrian and bicycle safety issues, offered by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. The knowledge gained will be used to educate local drivers and people riding bikes on how to share the road, safer!

Encouragement

67. Do you have a community-wide trip reduction ordinance or programs?

Yes

No

If yes, describe the ordinance/program and the results, and include a link if available. (250 word limit)

Bbusinesses in Sun Prairie are eligible for the county-wide Guaranteed Ride Home program and can work with the Dane County TDM Coordinating Committee to expand employee commute options.

67a. Does your trip reduction program use individualized marketing similar to the Portland, OR SmartTrips program to identify and support current and potential bike commuters in your community?

Yes

No

If yes, describe the program and the results. (250 word limit)

68. What mapping and route finding information is available for your community, which has been updated in the last 18 months? Check all that apply.

Web-based route finding service



- Smart phone app
- Printed/digital bicycle network map
- Printed/digital mountain bike trails map
- Printed/digital greenways and trails map
- Printed/digital Safe Routes to Schools map(s)
- None of the above

69. How do you promote National Bike Month/your own dedicated Bike Month? Check all that apply.

- Official Proclamation
- Community-wide Bike to Work Day/Week
- Bike to School Day/Week
- Bike to Church Day or similar
- Community Rides
- Mayor-led/Council-led Ride
- Public Service Announcements
- Videos promoting bicycling on community website/TV channel
- Publish a guide to Bike Month Events
- Bike Month Website
- Commuter Challenge
- Challenges aimed at students biking to school
- Non-commuting related (i.e. errand-running) challenges and programs
- National Bike Challenge
- Bike Commuter energizer stations/breakfasts
- Car-free days (A Car Free Day encourages motorists to give up their car for a day. September 22 is World Car Free Day.)
- CycloFemme Ride
- Kidical Mass Ride
- Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways (Temporary event, which closes a street or area to cars for use by pedestrians and cyclists.)
- Mentoring program for new riders
- Bike valet parking at events
- Bicycle-themed festival/parade/show
- Public education campaign relating to cycling (e.g. with a focus on public health or environmental benefits)
- Trail construction or maintenance day
- Other
- No promotion

If other, describe (250 word limit)

The Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group (SPBAG) is a citizen-led group that has a special committee titled "Maximize May" with the objective of doing several promotional activities to encourage and promote National Bike Month.

69a. How many Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways events were held in 2014?

69b. How many residents participated in the following events in 2014. Write 'N/A' if no such event occurred in your community. Write 'No Data' if participation numbers are unknown.

Bike to Work Day(s)

29

Bike to School Day(s)

No data

Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways

N/A

70. How do you promote bicycling outside of your official Bike Month? Check all that apply.

- Community and charity rides
- Mayor-led/Council-led Rides
- Videos on bicycling on community website/TV channel
- Public Service Announcements
- Trail construction or maintenance day
- Kidical Mass Ride
- Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways (Temporary event, which closes a street or area to cars for use by pedestrians and cyclists.)
- Commuter Challenge
- Non-commuting related (i.e. errand-running) challenges and programs
- Challenges aimed at students biking to school
- National Bike Challenge
- Business program that provides discounts for customers arriving by bicycle
- Triathlons and bicycle races
- Bike commuter events
- Car-free days (A Car Free Day encourages motorists to give up their car for a day. September 22 is World Car Free Day.)
- Publish a guide to community bicycle events
- Mentoring program for new riders
- Bike valet parking at events
- International Bike to School Day in October
- Bicycle-themed festivals/parades/shows
- Public education campaign relating to cycling (e.g. with a focus on public health or environmental benefits)
- Community celebration/ride each time a bicycle project is completed
- Other
- No promotion

If other, describe (250 word limit)

There has been a recent movement by local female cyclists to coordinate their efforts in creating the Sun Prairie Women's Cycling Group, a group of over 50 women trying to offer opportunities to ride together. This brand new group has been well-received and fills a much-needed void to offer women of like ability and interest to get out and ride.

71. List all public cycling events that occur annually in your community. (500 word limit)

The Corn Fest Bike Tour (August 2014) was the inaugural event of this marquee event. We will again do this in 2015 and are hoping to increase ridership by 25 percent. This event takes place the same weekend as the regionally popular Sun Prairie Corn Fest, which attracts over 100,000 people from around the Midwest. Sun Prairie is also host to the Sun Prairie Cup Cyclocross Race held annually in October and is a marquee regional cross bike race. Lastly, the Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group held the inaugural "Brats, Brews and Bikes" in June to celebrate Madison-area Bike Week. This event attracted 65 riders and was kicked off by Mayor.

72. Are any bicycle events specifically marketed to one or more of the following?

- Women



- Seniors
- Families with toddlers and young children
- Non-English speakers
- Minorities/People of Color
- Low-income populations (as defined by local regulations)
- LGBTQIA
- ADA community
- Homeless community

73. How does the municipality sponsor or actively support bicycle events?

- Organize the event
- Fund event
- Contribute in-kind funding (i.e. police presence, closing roads, etc)
- Assist in promoting the event
- Other
- No support/ Not applicable

74. Does your local tourism board or chamber of commerce promote bicycling in your area?

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe (100 word limit)

75. Are there cycling clubs in your community? Check all that apply.

- Recreational bike clubs
- Mountain bike clubs
- Friends of the Trail groups
- National Mountain Bike Patrol
- Racing clubs or teams
- Kidical Mass, Family Bike Party, or other family-oriented groups
- Other
- No

75a. List the names of the clubs.

Sun Prairie Cycling Group is a recreational bike club with over 100 members. There are two mountain bike clubs/teams that are both recreational and participate in local and regional races: Sun Prairie Youth Cycling Team - The Red Fury - is a very active youth cycling group, and the Sun Prairie High School has a team that participates in the Wisconsin High School Cycling League and is frequently very competitive placing team members on the podium.

76. Which of these bicycling amenities do you have in your community? Check all that apply.

- BMX track (BMX tracks are constructed out of dirt with various corners and jumps that are designed to be challenging while taking account of riders' safety.)
- Velodrome (Arena for indoor or outdoor track cycling)
- Cyclocross course (A course featuring a variety of surfaces (pavement, grass, sand, gravel, dirt, etc.) and a number of obstacles that require users to dismount and remount their bicycle.)
- Mountain bike park
- Pump tracks (A pump track is a continuous loop that can be ridden on a bike without pedaling. Tracks consist of a series of rolling bumps and banked corners that allow the rider to gain momentum and reach speeds of up to 20mph. (Bikes and Berms))
- Bicycle-accessible skate park
- Loop route(s) around the community
- Other
- None

77. Does your community currently have a bike sharing program that is open to the general public (excluding private bike sharing systems limited to employees of a certain business)?

- Yes
- No
- Launching this year

If yes or launching this year, please provide details about the system below.

77a. What type of system is your bike sharing program?

- Automated kiosk-style bike share system
- GPS-enabled bike share system
- Short-term bike rentals
- Long-term bike rentals
- Bike library (free rentals)
- Unregulated program (i.e. Yellow Bike)
- Other

77b. How many bikes are in the system?

77c. How many stations are in the system?

77d. How many trips are being made annually?

77e. Are there options for transporting children as passengers?

- Yes
- No

78. Do you have any current League of American Bicyclists designated Bicycle Friendly Businesses in your community?

- Yes
- No

If yes, list the names of the businesses and their award level. (250 word limit)

TREK Bicycle has been supportive of our activities, as many of their employees live or commute thru Sun Prairie.

78a. Do you have a local Bicycle Friendly Business program?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please share a link to the program page and a list of certified businesses.

78b. Do you have a Bicycle Friendly Business district?

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)



79. Are there any institutions of higher education in your community?

- Yes
 No

79a. If yes, please list their names. NOTE: If more than ten institutions, please list the largest five.

N/A

79b. If yes, are you partnering with your local institutions of higher education on bicycle related programming? Please describe. (250 word limit)

N/A

79c. If yes, are there any community bicycle programs or campaigns (e.g. enforcement, education, encouragement) targeting college or university students? Please describe. (250 word limit)

N/A

79d. If yes, do you have any current League of American Bicyclists designated Bicycle Friendly Universities in your community?

- Yes
 No

If yes, list the names of the institutions and their award level.

N/A

80. How many for-profit specialty bicycle retailers (shops dedicated primarily to selling bikes and bike-related equipment) are there in your community?

1

80a. List their names.

Sun City Cyclery

81. Does your community have a bike co-op or non-profit community bike shop?

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe its services (250 word limit)

81a. If yes, does the co-op/non-profit community bike shop receive support from the local government?

- Grants
 Free or subsidized property/space for a duration of at least 5 years
 Contracts for services, e.g. bicycle skills or maintenance education, event support, etc
 Free bicycle safety accessories for distribution, e.g. helmets or lights
 Provision of abandoned or impounded bicycles for resale
 Free PSA or advertizing space
 Other

If the local government provides grants and/or free/subsidized property/space to the co-op/non-profit community bike shop, please list the annual value for each (in Dollar).

82. Does your community have youth recreation and/or intervention programs centered on bicycling? Check all that apply.

- Trips for Kids chapter
 Earn a Bike program (Completing hands-on lessons in bike mechanics and bike safety, participants in an Earn-a-Bike Program earn credits towards a bike and a helmet.)
 Create a Commuter program (The Create a Commuter program provides basic bicycle safety education and fully-outfitted commuter bicycles to low-income adults striving to connect to work or workforce development by bicycle.)
 Other
 None

If other, describe (100 word limit)

The Sun Prairie Youth Cycling Team is totally focused at providing recreational and racing opportunities for local youth. It is a very active group with over 50 kids participating.

83. Describe any other programs or policies your community has to encourage cycling. (500 word limit)

City of Sun Prairie published a community study, around gangs in Sun Prairie and the youth of the community.
<http://www.cityofsunprairie.com/DocumentCenter/View/2055> One recommendation was better transportation options PRIORITY: Provide more affordable, accessible transportation options for youth and families, 24/7. "Sun Prairie needs mass transit, sidewalks where there are none, and safe bicycle paths and routes."

Enforcement

84. How does your police department interact with the local cycling community? Check all that apply.

- A police officer is an active member of the bicycle advisory committee
 Identified law-enforcement point person to interact with cyclists
 Identified law-enforcement point person to Safe Routes to Schools program
 No current formal interaction
 Other

If other, describe (100 word limit)

Wisconsin DOT training for cycling enforcement. Bike licensing thru SNP.

85. What kind of training is offered to police officers relating to bicyclists? Check all that apply.

- Basic academy training
 International Police Mountain Bike Association training
 Law Enforcement Bicycle Association training
 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Law Enforcement Training
 Completion of Smart Cycling course by one or more officers
 Presentation by League Cycling Instructor or local cyclist
 Institute for Police Training and Development bicycle training
 Training on racial profiling awareness in multimodal transportation enforcement
 Training on bicycle crash types, numbers and locations
 Other
 No training offered

If other, please describe (100 word limit)

Bicycle licensing (free)

86. What enforcement programs that target improving cyclist safety are in place? Check all that apply.

- Helmet giveaways
 Light giveaways
 Bike lock giveaways
 Targeting motorist infractions most likely to lead to crashes, injuries and fatalities among bicyclists
 Targeting cyclist infractions most likely to cause property damage, crashes, injuries and fatalities to themselves and others
 Positive enforcement ticketing (Cyclists "caught" engaging in positive behaviors, e.g. practicing personal safety or following traffic laws, are issued "tickets" – vouchers redeemable for recreational activities or food.)
 Share the road campaigns



- Road safety campaigns targeting areas around schools
 Other
 None of the above

87. What percentage of patrol officers are regularly on bikes?

1-10%

88. Are any other public safety (e.g. EMS) employees regularly on bikes?

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe (50 word limit)

89. Do police officers report cyclist crash data?

Yes

90. Do police officers report potential hazards to traffic engineers and planners to identify sites in need of safety improvements for cyclists?

- Yes
 No

91. Which of the following safety services and amenities are available in your community?

- Emergency call boxes/phones along trails
 Trail watch programs/ Trail patrols
 Street lighting on most arterials
 Street lighting on most non-arterials
 Lighting of most shared-use paths
 Stolen or impounded bikes recovery system or assistance
 Non-mandatory bike registration
 None of the above

92. Are there any local ordinances or state laws that protect cyclists? TIP: You can learn about your state's laws that protect bicyclists at bikeleague.org/StateBikeLaws. Check all that apply.

- Specific penalties for failing to yield to a cyclist when turning
 It is illegal to park or drive in a bike lane (intersections excepted)
 Penalties for motor vehicle users that 'door' cyclists
 Ban on cell phone use while driving
 Ban on texting while driving
 Vulnerable road user law
 Safe passing distance law
 It is illegal to harass a cyclist
 Photo enforcement for red lights and/or speed
 Other
 None of the above

93. Do your local ordinances place any restrictions on cyclists? Check all that apply.

- Local law requires cyclists to use side paths regardless of their usability
 Local law requires cyclists to use bike lanes when provided
 Local law requires that cyclists are required to ride as far to the right of the road as practicable without exceptions
 Local law restricts usage of electric-assist bicycles
 Mandatory bike registration
 Restrictions on sidewalk riding outside of the Central Business District
 Restrictions on sidewalk riding inside the Central Business District
 Local or school policies restrict youths from riding to school
 Other
 None of the above

94. Do you work with neighboring local jurisdictions on making your local bike laws consistent across municipal boundaries?

- Yes
 No

95. Describe any other enforcement programs or policies relating to cycling. (500 word limit)

None.

Evaluation and Planning

96. Does your community have a comprehensive bicycle master plan or similar section in another document?

Yes

If yes, please provide details about the plan below.

96a. Provide a link to the plan or describe. (250 word limit)

<http://www.cityofsunprairie.com/397/Comprehensive-Plan-Volume-2> (Chapter 8 – Transportation) Included in the Transportation Chapter of the City's comprehensive plan.

96b. When was it passed or most recently updated?

November 2009

96c. How has the community staff reached out to minority and low-income communities (as defined by local regulations) to ensure that they are included in the decision-making process? (250 word limit) If no low-income or minority communities, write N/A.

N/A

96d. Is there a dedicated funding source for implementation?

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe the funding source and designated amount (250 word limit)

96e. What percentage of the current plan has been implemented?

35

96f. Are you meeting annual target goals for implementation?

Yes

97. What local agencies have a bicycle master plans or similar section in another plans and transportation demand management documents?

- Transit agency
 School District
 Parks and Recreation
 Other

98. What percentage of the total transportation budget – on average - was invested in bicycle projects in FY 2010-2014?

The average annual amount budgeted for multi-use/bike-paths during this 5-year period was 9.6%.

98a. Do you allocate bicycle-related funding to low-income communities and minority communities?



- Yes
 No
 No low-income or minority communities

If yes, please describe (250 word limit)

99. How is bicycle planning integrated with transit planning? If your community does not have a transit system, write N/A.

N/A

100. How is bicycle planning integrated with affordable housing planning? If no affordable housing, write N/A.

N/A

101. How does your community collect information on bicycle usage?

- Automated bicycle counters
 Regular statistically valid community bicycle surveys
 Travel diaries
 Regular manual counts of bicyclists on trails
 Regular manual counts of bicyclists on the road
 Regular counts of parked bicycles at transit stations (if applicable)
 Regular counts of parked bicycles at schools
 Other
 None

If known (based on your own data collection), what percentage of all utilitarian trips are made by bicycle? Please identify the source.

If known, how often do residents use a bicycle recreationally?

If known, what percentage of all bicycle trips are made by women?

If known, what percentage of children bike to school?

If known, what percentage of children commute to preschool/daycare by bike (e.g. in a bicycle child seat or bike trailer)?

Please describe any other relevant results and trends. (250 word limit)

102. According to the American Community Survey, what is the most current journey-to-work data for your community? TIP: Search for topic B08301 (Means of Transportation to Work) for your community on the American FactFinder website (Advanced Search). Choose the most recent data set available for your community. Divide total number of cyclists ("Bicycle") by total number of commuters ("Total") and multiply by 100. Repeat for pedestrians ("Walked") and transit users ("Public transportation [excluding taxicab]").

Bicycling (in %)

0.2

Walking (in %)

1.36

Transit (in %)

0.45

103. Does your community establish target goals for bicycle use, e.g. a certain level of bicycle mode share?

- Yes
 No

If yes, please describe (250 word limit)

104. Does your community routinely conduct pre/post evaluations of bicycle-related road projects?

- Yes
 No

If yes, please describe the results. (250 word limit)

No formal evaluations, however informal evaluations are common.

105. Has your community conducted a network analysis to determine what percentage of bicycling trips can be done entirely on low-stress routes and to identify intersections and corridors that represent significant barriers?

- GIS-based network analysis
 Level of Traffic Stress analysis
 Bicycle Level of Service for roads
 Bicycle Level of Service for Intersections
 Multi-modal Level of Service
 Other
 None

106. How many cyclists have been involved in a crash in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle? If none, write 0.

56

106a. How many cyclist fatalities have occurred in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle? If none, write 0.

106b. Do you have a specific plan, policy or program to reduce these numbers?

- Vision Zero policy
 Towards Zero Deaths program or similar (A data-driven, interdisciplinary approach that targets areas for improvement and employs proven countermeasures, integrating application of education, enforcement, engineering, and emergency medical and trauma services.)
 Traffic safety plan
 Other
 None

107. Have you done an economic impact study on bicycling in your community?

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe the results. (250 word limit)

108. Describe any other programs or policies that your community uses to evaluate and/or plan bicycling conditions, programs, and facilities. (500 word limit)

5-year capital improvement program

Final Overview

109. What are the three primary reasons your community deserves to be designated a Bicycle Friendly Community?

Reason One (250 word limit)

Sun Prairie is a thriving city, continuously listed in "Best places to live" in Wisconsin. According to one recent poll... "Sun Prairie is one of the fastest growing cities in Wisconsin. And with good reason. It is located just outside of Madison, meaning taking advantage of the state's capital is easy. Schools are great. And the community is



awesome.” In living up to these accolades, Sun Prairie has accomplished a lot to encourage and support bicycling. Boasting 34 parks throughout the city, Sun Prairie has an extensive multi-use trail systems and a growing amount of on-road designated bike lanes. There is simply one missing piece to this beautiful puzzle, that being a little continuity and over-arching bicycling-related infrastructure planning. With the support of the Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group and a new administration that is pro-bicycling, this piece of the puzzle is soon to be put into place.

Reason Two (250 word limit)

In 2014, the Sun Prairie Bicycling Advocacy Group was created to advocate bike path and trail development enabling residents to reach 90% of the City on paths and trails, foster awareness of cycling through community outreach, and achieve recognition for the City of Sun Prairie from local and national organizations for our efforts. This 225+ member strong group has already made a positive impact within the community and has been well-received by city officials. In its first year, this group has spearheaded the identification and vetting of a mountain bike trail system, supported numerous events including bike corrals at several marquee events, hosted numerous weekly and annual rides, and has spearheaded the completion of this Bicycling Friendly Community application. With what we believe is an appropriate bronze status, this group will use this status and the associated feedback to further develop cycling-related activities, infrastructure, and awareness throughout the Sun Prairie community.

Reason Three (250 word limit)

Sun Prairie's growth is among the tops in the state and with this growth has been a recent infusion of numerous local, regional, and national businesses that are acutely aware of the importance of an “active” community to foster growth and development. Examples include Fleet Feet Sports, Cabella's, and several other business that understand the benefit of an active community. This new infusion of business has already provided support of local efforts and initiatives, and we are confident in their continued support as the City continues to grow. We believe that with the BFC bronze designation, this would infuse a tremendous amount of energy into the entire community which local businesses, local advocacy groups, and local government officials will feed from to provide a better bicycling experience for our most important stakeholder – that being the local community.

110. What are the three aspects of your community most in need of improvement in order to accommodate bicyclists?

Aspect One (100 word limit)

Without the direct involvement of an advisory group we might as well sit on the sidelines and watch our local government make decisions about bicycling that could have an effect on the safety and well being of cyclist in the city. SPBAG is setting this as priority number one for "most in need of improvement". Our goal is to develop an advisory group that can have direct input into to the development of bicycling infrastructure. The key aspect is safety for cyclist out for a recreational ride around town and/or outlying roads and commuters riding for there daily transportation.

Aspect Two (100 word limit)

Sun Prairie has an extensive Multi-use Path system but what it lacks is continuity. Our goal for this short coming is to develop a plan to have all Multi-use Paths to connect to all city parks (parks that meet certain qualities and facilities) so families and individuals can ride to any park within the city without the need of riding in the streets.

Aspect Three (100 word limit)

Sun Prairie has a great mapping of the bike routes and trails and placement of route signage but what is lacking are bike lanes, chevrons and the like painted on the streets. More needs to be done with marking street for bike routes through town. Not so much for the bicyclist to know where they are going but for those traveling in cars to know that they are in a high traffic area for bicycles.

111. Are you planning any new projects based on your completion of the Bicycle Friendly Community application?

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

While working on this application it had occurred to us, members of the Sun Prairie Bicycle Advocacy Group, to bring together our most informed and involved advocates to be part of a advisory group to the city of Sun Prairie. This group would have a direct input and advisory position for the bicycling infrastructure of Sun Prairie and that would be officially recognized by the city council.

We often get requests for model BFC applications from aspiring communities. Would you be willing to share your application?

Yes

How did you hear about the BFC program?

We learned about it though participating in a Childhood Obesity prevention workgroup seminar.