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# BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY ASESSSMENT

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\*Note: Questions requiring further investigation are noted in brown

## INTRODUCTION

### INTRODUCTION

The City of San Luis Obispo is a city whose commitment to being a bicycle-friendly community makes it an extraordinary and a stand out community on the California Central Coast. San Luis Obispo sets forth a considerable amount of effort towards making bicycling a priority mode choice through addressing the needs of current bicyclists and encouraging other residents to become regular cyclists as well.

San Luis Obispo is currently rated at the Silver Level as a Bicycle Friendly Community. Since the last Bicycle Friendly Community application in 2011, San Luis Obispo has worked towards addressing the improvements suggested by the League's review team. These include updates to the Circulation Element and a revision to transportation mode objectives to dramatically increase bike and pedestrian trip goals. The LUCE goals strive to achieve 20 percent bicycles and 18 percent walking, carpools and other forms, making pedestrian- and bicycle-centric modal split a prime goal and focus in the city of San Luis Obispo.

This document provides the preliminary application data for the 2015 reapplication. It obtains a community profile section and five overarching categories that The League of American Cyclists utilizes to attribute a bicycle friendly community; Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Evaluation/Planning and Enforcement, ending with a Final Overview expanding further on why San Luis Obispo deserves to be designated a bicycle friendly community.

This was completed by a class from California Polytechnic State University, as a part of a course requirement for CRP 470/425, Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning in the Department of City and Regional Planning. Under the supervision of Professor William Riggs students gathered, analyzed data, and prepared the application.

This application consists of 47 pages of questions and answers, both short answer and multiple choice, highlighting bicycle amenities, services and other resources in San Luis Obispo. Overarching headings are provided to separate the major attributes mentioned above and answers are indented.

Results gathered for this application makes it very apparent that San Luis Obispo is a community that aims to enhance the bicycle infrastructure and encourage bicycling as a mode of transit through providing safe accommodations for adults and children.

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## 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
  - Metropolitan Planning Organization/Council of Governments
  - Regional Planning Organization
  - Rural Planning Organization
  - Census Designated Place
  - Indian Country
  - Military Base
  - Other
- If other, describe (50 word limit)

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

- Urban
- Suburban
- Rural

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

January - 61.1  
April - 66.4  
July - 76.0  
October - 73.7

**Average precipitation (in inches)**

January - 3.66in  
April - 1.1in  
July - 0.04in  
October - 0.87in

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

Total area - 12.93

Water area - 0.15

Land area - 12.78

**5. Total Population**

45,119

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

10% or less

11-25%

26-50%

51-75%

more than 75%

N/A

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

3500

**8. Median Household Income**

\$60,534

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

Under 5 = 3.3%

Age 5-19 = 15.6%

Age 20-64 = 69.7%

Age 65+ = 11.5%

Totals (should equal 100)

*\*found with factfinder.census.gov*

**10. Race (in percent)**

White = 84.5%

Black or African American = 1.2%

American Indian and Alaska Native = 0.6%

Asian = 5.2%

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander = 0.1%



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Some other race = 4.4%  
Two or more races = 4.0%  
Totals (*should equal 100*)  
Hispanic or Latino (*of any race*) = 14.7%  
*\*found with factfinder.census.gov*

**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.**

*\*found in previous application*

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

- 10% or less
  - 11-25%
  - 26-50%
  - 51-75%
  - 76-100%
  - No Bicycle Program Manager
- \*found in previous application*

**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

COMMUNITY PROFILE

**12a. How often does it meet?**

- Monthly or more frequently
- Every two months
- Quarterly
- Annually
- Irregularly

**12b. How many members serve on the committee?**

8 (including recording secretary)

**12c. Which of the following groups are represented at 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

If other, describe (50 word limit)

**12d. Name and email of Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair**

Bill Bradlee, [billbradlee@gmail.com](mailto:billbradlee@gmail.com)

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

- Yes
- No
- Other

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

**14. List all bicycle advocacy groups in your community.**

San Luis Obispo County Bicycle Coalition

**14a. List all transportation equity advocacy groups in your community.**

**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.**

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

**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
- 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
- Traffic and bicycle/pedestrian safety
- Meet local or state requirements

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Other

If other, describe. *(50 word limit)*

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

The 2013 City Annual Report on the General Plan asked both Cal Poly and Cuesta College to update their bicycling master plans. The City of San Luis Obispo Bicycle Plan was also updated.

**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)***

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

The largest issue the City of San Luis Obispo has faced is the bicycling infrastructure and compliance to rules around Cal Poly's campus. Enforcement of bicycling law is difficult and often not met. The City plans to work with Cal Poly as well as Cuesta College students to educate them on bike safety and provide incentives for them to follow the law.

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

LUCE, BIKE PLAN, CI PROGRAM, BUDGET

## ENGINEERING

### 20. Does your community currently have any of the following policies in place?

*Check all that apply.*

- Local complete streets policy
- Local bicycle routine accommodation policy
- Neither

#### 20a. When was it adopted?

2008

#### 20b. Provide a link or attach a copy of this legislation or policy.

2008 Cal Trans: DD-64-R1

[http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/bike/guidelines\\_files/DD64.pdf](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/bike/guidelines_files/DD64.pdf) 2011 State of California: AB 1358 [http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/07-08/bill/asm/ab\\_1351-1400/ab\\_1358\\_bill\\_20080930\\_chaptered.pdf](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/07-08/bill/asm/ab_1351-1400/ab_1358_bill_20080930_chaptered.pdf)

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

#### 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 Program Manager
- 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, please describe (100 word limit).

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**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
  - Mixed-use zoning
  - Form-based/design-based codes
  - Connectivity policy or standards
  - Policy to preserve abandoned rail corridors for multi-use trails
  - Other
  - None of the above
- If other, describe (100 word limit)

**23. How do you ensure your engineers and planners accommodate cyclists according to AASHTO or 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
- If other, describe. (100 word limit)

**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

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- No significant physical barriers  
If other, please describe. (100 word limit)

**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
  - Ordinance that allows bike parking to substitute for car parking
  - Requirement for new developments to meet LEED-Neighborhood Development silver standards or higher
  - Developers are eligible for density bonuses for providing end-of-trip facilities
  - Other
  - None
- If other, describe. (250 word limit)  
(SLO Municipal Code, 17.16)

**26. Do your standards for bicycle parking:**

*Please check all that apply.*

- 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.*

547 (2011 BFC Application)

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

- 10% or less

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- 11-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- more than 75%

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

- Bike lockers 4%
- In indoor bike depots (i.e. Bikestation)
- In bike corrals (on-street bike parking) 7%
- Suitable for cargo bicycles or bicycles towing trailers
- Include facilities to recharge electric assist bicycles (2011 BFC Application)

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

- Public & private schools 91-100%
- Day care, child care centers and preschools
- Higher Education Institutions 91-100%
- Libraries
- Hospitals and medical centers
- Transit stations and major bus stops 91-100%
- Parks & recreation centers 91-100%
- Other government owned buildings and facilities
- Event venues (e.g. convention center, movie complex) 91-100%
- Hotels & restaurants
- Office buildings 46-60%
- Retail stores (excluding grocery stores) 61-75%
- Grocery stores
- Multi-family housing
- Public housing 61-75%

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

- Yes
- No



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**28a. Are bikes allowed inside transit vehicles?**

- Yes
- Sometimes
- No

If yes or sometimes, describe (50 word limit)

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

- 10% or less
- 11-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 75-99%
- All

**29. What is the centerline mileage of the existing off-street bicycle network within your community?****30. How many miles of the following off-street bicycle accommodations do you have?**

*Answer all that apply. (in miles)*

- Paved shared use paths ( $\geq 10$  feet)
- Paved shared use paths ( $\geq 8$  and  $< 10$  feet)
- Natural surface shared use paths ( $\geq 10$  feet)
- Singletrack
- Other. Please describe (250 word limit)

**31. What percentage of the paved shared-use paths that are at least 8 feet wide (in centerline mileage) parallel a road?****32. What percentage of off-street path crossings of roads with posted speed limits above 25 mph provides the following accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians. If there are no path crossings that apply, write N/A.**

- Bike/pedestrian overpasses/underpasses
- Path crossing with high visibility markings or signs

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Raised path crossings  
Refuge islands  
Other  
If other, describe (100 word limit)

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

- None
- 1-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 76-99%
- All
- Not applicable

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

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

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

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

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

**38. What percentage of streets has posted speeds of  $\leq$  25mph?**

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<http://slocity.maps.arcgis.com/apps/OnePane/basicviewer/index.html?appid=f808ee341ad743259b9f7b455cd7b69b>

**38a. On streets with posted speeds of  $\leq 25$ mph 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
- Shared lane markings (not counted under Bicycle Boulevards)
- Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface  $\geq 4$  feet, and minimum clear path of  $\geq 4$  feet between rumble strips)
- Bike lanes (incl. standard, contra-flow, left-side) (ridable surface  $\geq 4$  feet)
- 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  $>25$ mph and  $\leq 35$ mph?**

**39a. On streets with posted speeds of  $>25$ mph and  $\leq 35$ mph 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  $\geq 4$  feet, and minimum clear path of  $\geq 4$  feet between rumble strips)
- Bike lanes (incl. standard, contra-flow, left-side) (ridable surface  $\geq 4$  feet)
- 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  $>35$ mph?**

**40a. On streets with posted speeds of  $>35$ mph 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 (rideable surface  $\geq 4$  feet, and minimum clear path of  $\geq 4$  feet between rumble strips)
- Bike lanes (incl. standard, contra-flow, left-side) (rideable surface  $\geq 4$  feet)

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- 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
  - Speed limits 20 mph or less on residential streets
  - Physically altered the road layout or appearance to calm traffic speeds
  - Road diets
  - Other
  - None
- If other, describe (250 word limit)

**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
  - 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
- If other, describe (250 word limit)

**43. What percentage of your signalized intersections provides the following accommodations for bicyclists? If there are no signalized intersections, write N/A. (70 total)**

Bicycle Signal Heads- 5.7%(CA, Foothill, Morro, Laurel/Orcutt)

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Green wave for cyclists-40% 15 in DT, 4 on Johnson, 9 LOVR  
 Signals timed for bicycle speeds-21.4% 15  
 Timed signals-? Jake needs to research  
 Demand activated signals with loop detector (and marking)-  
 Video or microwave detection for demand-activated signals-  
 Push-buttons that are accessible from the road-2.85% 1 at LOVR/101, 1 Laurel/Orcutt  
 Advanced Stop Line or Bike Box-  
 Colored bike lanes in conflict areas-4% 1 CA/101, 1 Monterey and CA, 1 Santa  
 Rosa/Walnut, HWY1/SR,  
 Refuge islands- 4% Morro Street Bike BLVD-3 Madonna/LOVR-1  
 Right corner islands (pork chops)- 0%  
 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
  - No minimum car parking standards
  - Paid public parking
  - Shared-parking allowances
  - Congestion charges
  - Prioritization of active mobility in planning and design processes
  - Other
  - None
- If other, describe (250 word limit)

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

*Select all that apply.*

ENGINEERING

**46a. Sweeping**

- Before other travel lanes
- Same time as other travel lanes
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Annually
- Never
- No on-street bicycle facilities

**46a. Sweeping**

- Before other travel lanes
- Same time as other travel lanes
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Annually
- Never
- No on-street bicycle facilities

**46b. Snow and ice clearance**

- No snow or ice
- Before other travel lanes
- Same time as other travel lanes
- Within 48 hours of storm
- Never
- No on-street bicycle facilities

**46c. Pothole maintenance**

- Within 24 hours of complaint
- Within one week of complaint
- Within one month of complaint
- Never
- No on-street bicycle facilities

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

<http://www.slocity.org/living/maps/street-sweeping>

The City inspects bikeways biannually and prepares a report identifying the problems, recommended action, priority and time frame for correction. In addition, the City's website contains a tool residents can use to report problems along bikeways. Class I bikeways should be kept clear of debris and litter, which service may be performed in part by volunteer organizations. Additional site maintenance policies include street sweeping on a routine basis to remove debris and litter. Pavement surface of bikeways shall also be smooth and free of potholes.

(Bicycle Master Plan, Pg 41)

**47. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the off-street bicycle facilities remain usable and safe?**

*Check all that apply.*

**47a. Sweeping**

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Annually
- Never
- No off-street bicycle facilities

**47b. Vegetation maintenance**

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Annually
- Never
- No off-street bicycle facilities

**47c. Snow and ice clearance**

- No snow or ice
- Before roadways
- Same time as roadways
- Within 48 hours of storm

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- Never
- No off-street bicycle facilities

**47d. Surface repair**

- Within 24 hours of complaint
- Within one week of complaint
- Within one month of complaint
- Never
- No off-street bicycle facilities

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

The City of San Luis Obispo website hosts a online reporting system that caters to a wide variety of issues relating to streets and sidewalks. The website (found under *How Do I?* tab), contains an easy-to-read directory of phone numbers and email forms. Examples of reportable issues related to bicycling are pot holes, street maintenance, and transit issues. (<http://www.slocity.org/how-do-i/report>)

**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

If other, describe (100 word limit)

Hotline / calls, advisory bodies, advocacy groups, council, planning commission

**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 - There are no low-income neighborhoods in SLO



ENGINEERING

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

In 2007 the City of San Luis Obispo constructed a Class I bikeway connection between the Oceanaire Drive and Laguna Lane neighborhoods. In 2012 a Class I bikeway was constructed along Los Osos Valley Road between Laguna Lane and Oceanaire Drive, connecting the neighborhoods adjacent to Laguna Middle School and CL Smith Elementary 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)**

The City of San Luis Obispo contains a policy in the circulation update of the general plan stating that the city shall design and maintain bikeways, and that the city should expand its bicycle network. These policies guide future implementation actions - they are not necessarily requirements. The City of San Luis Obispo bicycle plan proposes several requirements relating to bicycle amenities. The City will begin to require shower facility requirements at work places to make cycling more attractive for commuters. In addition, the bicycle transportation plan states that the ongoing maintenance of bicycle facilities will be a requirement. There are many other examples of how the city of San Luis Obispo encourages a comfortable and attractive cycling environment, although most have been discussed in previous questions.

## EDUCATION

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

- None
- 1-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 75-90%
- More than 90%
- Not applicable

### 52a. Which type of bicycle education is offered to elementary students? FC

**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)

The Kidical Mass program offers parents and children an opportunity to learn about bicycle safety and cycling as a transportation option. The City also partners with the SLO Bicycle Coalition to provide safety presentations and training at local elementary schools.

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

- None
- 1-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 75-90%
- More than 90%
- Not applicable

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**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

If other, please describe (250 word limit)

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

- None
- 1-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 75-90%
- More than 90%
- Not applicable

**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

If other, please describe (250 word limit)

**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).

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**56. Outside of schools, how are children taught safe cycling skills? MM**

**Check all that apply**

- Learn to ride classes
- Bike clinics or rodeos
- 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
- Trail riding classes
- Other
- None of the above

If other, describe (250 word limit)

**57. How many times per year are the following adult bicycling education classes held within your community? MM**

**Answer all that apply (in numbers)**

- 1 - Traffic Skills 101 classes or equivalent (full-day training course, including classroom and on-bike instruction)
- 12 - Cycling Skills classes (three to four hour classroom training courses)
- 12 - Commuter classes (one to two hour classes)
- 156(walk in clinic available 3x week, 12-5pm) - Bicycle maintenance classes or workshops

**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

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

N/A

**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](http://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

If other, please describe (100 word limit).

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

- Yes
- No

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

- Yes
- No

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

Seventeen (17)

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

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INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE ONLINE--PLEASE DELETE THOSE INSTRUCTORS FROM BELOW LIST NOT ACTIVE IN LAST 12 MONTHS:

Aileen Loe, Arroyo Grande, CALCI # 1615  
B. Robin Dery, Atascadero, CALCI # 3857  
Bob Nanninga, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 1617  
Charlotte Belyea, Los Alamos, CALCI # 3849  
David Abrech, Los Osos, CALCI # 4415  
Jeff Brubaker, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 4349  
Jennifer Rice, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 3859  
Jessica Berry, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 4181  
Kevin Christian, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 1377  
Michael Boswell, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 1376  
Peggy Mandeville, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 1616  
Rodney Hoadley, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 1131  
Tammy Saurman, Santa Maria, CALCI # 3851  
Thomas Nuckols, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 1381  
Troy Johnston, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 4319  
Vanessa Amerson, San Luis Obispo, CALCI # 3861  
Warren Hockenbary, Arroyo Grande, CALCI # 1937

**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.**

No additional non-affiliated instructors identified.

**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

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- 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
  - 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
- If other, describe *(250 word limit)*

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

***Check all that apply***

- City staff
  - Taxi drivers
  - Transit operators
  - School bus operators
  - Delivery drivers
  - Other
  - None of the above
- If other, describe *(100 word limit)*

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

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

Yes

(Sources: SLO Municipal Code, Ch. 11.04,

<http://www.codepublishing.com/ca/sanluisobispo/>; BFC Application Fall 2011, No. 80)

No

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

The City's 2015 Circulation Element contains policies and programs that encourage trip reduction and emphasize alternative forms of transportation.

- Work-based Trip Reduction (Policy 2.1.3): "The City shall encourage employers within the city limits and work with the county to work with employers outside the City limits to participate in trip reduction programs."
- Agency Cooperation (Program 2.2.1): "The City shall support efforts in establishing county-wide trip reduction programs."
- City Trip Reduction (Program 2.2.2): "The City shall maintain and where cost effective improve a trip reduction plan for City employees."
- ([http://www.slo2035.com/images/final/2\\_slo\\_gp\\_circulation\\_2015\\_05\\_web.pdf](http://www.slo2035.com/images/final/2_slo_gp_circulation_2015_05_web.pdf))

The City's Municipal Code Trip Reduction Measures (Chapter 11.04) includes the Commute Alternatives Rule (11.04.010 Rule 901), which is purposed "to improve ambient air quality by reducing air pollutant emissions that result from employee commute trips, and trips attracted to worksites with one hundred or more employees."

(<http://www.codepublishing.com/ca/sanluisobispo/>)

(Sources: SLO 2015 Circulation Element 2.1.3, 2.2.1, 2.2.2,

[http://www.slo2035.com/images/final/2\\_slo\\_gp\\_circulation\\_2015\\_05\\_web.pdf](http://www.slo2035.com/images/final/2_slo_gp_circulation_2015_05_web.pdf);

SLO Municipal Code, Ch. 11.04,

<http://www.codepublishing.com/ca/sanluisobispo/>; BFC Application Fall 2011, No. 80a)



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**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  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/program/safe-routes-to-school/>,<http://slobikelane.org/resources/maps/#tab-id-1>)
- Smart phone app
- Printed/digital bicycle network map  
(Source:<http://slobikelane.org/resources/maps/#tab-id-1>;  
<http://slobikelane.org/resources/maps/#tab-id-2>)
- Printed/digital mountain bike trails map  
(Source:<http://www.cccmb.org/home-new/maps>)
- Printed/digital greenways and trails map  
(Source:<http://slobikelane.org/resources/maps/#tab-id-2>)
- Printed/digital Safe Routes to Schools map(s)  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/program/safe-routes-to-school/>)
- None of the above

**69. How do you promote National Bike Month/your own dedicated Bike Month?**

**Check all that apply**

- Official Proclamation  
(Source: BFC Application Fall 2011, No. 47)
- Community-wide Bike to Work Day/Week  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/events/bike-to-work-day/>)
- Bike to School Day/Week  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/events/bike-to-school-day/>)
- Bike to Church Day or similar
- Community Rides  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-events/>)

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- Mayor-led/Council-led Ride
  - ✓ Public Service Announcements  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-events/>)
  - Videos promoting bicycling on community website/TV channel
  - ✓ Publish a guide to Bike Month Events  
(Source:[http://issuu.com/rideshare/docs/bike2015\\_slo-life\\_4pg-insert\\_rev-3-4?e=2844951/12151090](http://issuu.com/rideshare/docs/bike2015_slo-life_4pg-insert_rev-3-4?e=2844951/12151090))
  - ✓ Bike Month Website  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-events/>)
  - ✓ Commuter Challenge  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-challenges/>)
  - ✓ Challenges aimed at students biking to school  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-challenges/>)
  - ✓ Non-commuting related (i.e. errand-running) challenges and programs  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-challenges/>)
  - National Bike Challenge
  - ✓ Bike Commuter energizer stations/breakfasts  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-events/>)
  - Car-free days
  - CycloFemme Ride
  - ✓ Kidical Mass Ride  
(Source: <http://www.kidicalmass.org/locations/slo/>)
  - Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways
  - Mentoring program for new riders
  - ✓ Bike valet parking at events  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-free-farmers-market-bike-valets/>)
  - ✓ Bicycle-themed festival/parade/show  
(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/bike-month-blowout/>)
  - 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)
- Bike themed Art After Dark community event, bike education workshops, promotion via the hashtag #LetsGetVisible.

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(Source:<http://www.rideshare.org/program/bike-month/>)

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

N/A

**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) - No Data

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 (Source:<http://slobikelane.org/programs/kidicalmass/>)
- Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways
- 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
- Publish a guide to community bicycle events
- Mentoring program for new riders
- Bike valet parking at events (Source:<http://slobikelane.org/programs/valet/>)
- 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 Workshops

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- No promotion
- If other, describe *(250 word limit)*

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

Bike Happening, Kidical Mass, Bike to School/Work Week, Bike Month, Lighthouse Century, SLO Triathlon, SLO Granfondo

**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?**

***Check all that apply.***

- 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
- If other, please describe *(100 word limit)*

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe *(100 word limit)*

The Visit San Luis Obispo County website lists local bike events.

(Source:<http://www.visitsanluisobispo.com/search?search=bike>)

**75. Are there cycling clubs in your community?**

***Check all that apply***

- Recreational bike clubs

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- ✓ 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
- If other, describe (100 word limit)

### 75a. List the names of the clubs.

San Luis Obispo Bicycle Club (SLOBBC), Cal Poly SLO Wheelmen, SLO Nexus, SLO Velo Cycling, Central Coast Concerned Mountain Bikers  
(Source:<http://www.slobc.org/>, <http://www.cpslowheelmen.org/>,  
<http://www.slonexus.org/>, <http://slovelo.com/>, <http://www.cccmb.org/> )

### 76. Which of these bicycling amenities do you have in your community?

*Check all that apply*

- BMX track
  - Velodrome
  - Cyclocross course
  - Mountain bike park
  - ✓ Pump tracks
  - Bicycle-accessible skate park
  - ✓ Loop route(s) around the community
  - ✓ Other
  - None
- If other, describe (100 word limit)

### 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?

N/A

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- 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
- If other, please describe. (100 word limit)

**77b. How many bikes are in the system?**

N/A

**77c. How many stations are in the system?**

N/A

**77d. How many trips are being made annually?**

N/A

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

- N/A
- 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)

**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.

SLO County Bicycle Coalition Bicycle Friendly Business Program:  
(Source:<http://slobikelane.org/business/bfb/#tab-id-1>)

Current Bicycle Friendly Businesses: Active Chick; AFX Research LLC; Alpha Omega Engineering, Inc.; Arrona Financial; Baxter Moerman Fine Jewelry;

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Better Business Financial Services; Bluephoto Wedding Photography; Branch Street Deli; Central Coast Brewing; Central Coast E-bikes; Clever Ducks; Coastal Reprographic Services; Continental MotorWorks Auto Repair; Diringers Associates; Flanders Bicycle; Foothill Cyclery; Harris Personal Injury Lawyers; Hostel Obispo; iFixit; jouet studio; Kreuzberg Coffee Company; Lezyne; Linnaea's Cafe; Louisa's Place; Luis Wine Bar; Mee Heng Low Noodle House; Morin Brothers Automotive; Palm Dental Care; Petit Soleil; Power & Communication Engineering; Quality Suites, SLO; RRM Design Group; Salon 544; SLO Bike & Run; SLO Sail & Canvas; SLO-Op Climbing; SRAM; The Madonna Inn; The Plant Lady; Tolosa Winery; Trinity Cyclery; Wallace Group; Wheel Fun Rentals

**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.**

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

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

The Bicycle Coalition has worked with the local university to teach on-campus bike ed classes and to incorporate safe cycling information into the freshman orientation.

(Source: 2011 application)

**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)**

The Bicycle Coalition has worked with the local university to incorporate safe cycling information into the freshman orientation. (Source: BFC Application Fall 2011, No. 46a)

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

Yes

No (Source: <http://bikeleague.org/bfa> )

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

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

Five

**80a. List their names.**

Art's SLO Cyclery

Cambria Bicycle Outfitters

Flander's Bicycle

Foothill Cyclery

San Luis Rides

(Source: <http://bikeleague.org/bfa> )

**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)

SLO Bike Kitchen: A volunteer-run organization that offers such low-cost and free services as do-it yourself bicycle repairs, bicycle education and bicycle recycling, with a special focus on serving the youth, low-income populations and otherwise underserved communities. They rely on donations of bike equipment tools and cash in order to provide these services.

**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



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- Free PSA or advertising space
- Other

If other, describe *(250 word limit)*

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
- Create a Commuter program
- Other
- None

If other, describe *(100 word limit)*

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

SLO Regional Rideshare offers the following programs: Emergency Ride Home (ERH) provides a free or low-cost ride home in cases of emergency for employees who use sustainable transportation, such as carpooling, vanpooling, public transit, bicycling, and walking. The Commute for Cash Challenge (October) commuters who use foot, bike, carpool, vanpool, bus, or working from home can register for prizes by logging their commute. The Transportation Choices Program (TCP) is a free program in San Luis Obispo County offered to businesses and organizations that encourage their employees to use sustainable transportation. The goal of the transportation choices program is to equip employers with the tools needed to promote positive change in employee commuting habits.

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### 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)

### 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)

### 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
- Share the road campaigns
- Road safety campaigns targeting areas around schools

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- Other
  - None of the above
- If other, describe (*100 word limit*)

### How many citations have been given to motorists in 2014?

3, 974 for all modes - no single data for just motorists

### How many citations have been given to cyclists in 2014?

Refer to the answer above - also no single data applies to just cyclists

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

- None
- 1- 10%
- 11-20%
- 21-30%
- 31-40%
- 41-50%
- More than 50%

### 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
- No

### 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

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- ✓ 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](http://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
- If other, describe (250 word limit)

**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

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If other, describe *(100 word limit)*

If there is a restriction on electric assist bikes, describe *(100 word limit)*

If local law prohibits cycling on sidewalks, are children exempted?

Yes

No

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)*

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

- Yes
- No
- Currently under preparation

If yes, please provide details about the plan below.

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

<http://www.slocity.org/home/showdocument?id=3785>

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

The most recent update is dated November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**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?**

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

- Yes
- No

**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

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✓ Other

If other, please describe (100 word limit)

There is only the City of San Luis Obispo Bike Transportation Plan.

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

10.75%

### 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.

The City of San Luis Obispo has adopted a Multi-Modal Level of Service, with the goal of 20% of trips being completed using a bicycle. Also, the city created a new policy that allocates funding from the transportation general fund according to the percentages

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

N/A

The City of San Luis Obispo Bicycle Transportation Plan mentions bicycles as a premier way to cut down on transportation costs as they relate to the location of ones home.

### 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

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None

If other, please describe (100 word limit)

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 %) 7.43%

Walking (in %) 7.43%

Transit (in %) 2.69%

**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)

Objective 3 under "Bicycle Network Objectives" in the 2013 Bicycle Transportation Plan states that "By 2020, increase bicycles use for transportation to a 20% mode share."

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

Yes



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✓ No

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

**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

If other, describe (250 word limit)

**106. How many cyclists have been involved in a crash in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle?**

341

**106a. How many cyclist fatalities have occurred in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle?**

Unknown

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

- Vision Zero policy (a policy to eliminate traffic fatalities within a specific time frame not to exceed 20 years)
- 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

If other, please describe (250 word limit)

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Annual Bicycling Safety Rodeo, Safety Assemblies, Safe Routes to School, Adult Bicycling Education Workshops, Diversion Program, Transit Driver Awareness Training

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

Yes

No

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

The present value of construction and on-going maintenance costs is near \$23 million. The present value of benefits is nearly \$240 million, yielding a cost-benefit ratio near 10. This is taken from Appendix K of the 2013 Bicycle Transportation Plan.

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

The Climate Action (year) plan seeks a 20% mode share of bicycling mode share by 2020, develop additional staff and funding sources for bicycle travel, and research bike share opportunities near parking structures. The CAP has independent policy measures along with desired modification to the Bike Transportation Plan. The General Plan Circulation Element (2015), includes an entire section on Bicycle Transportation which includes: bicycle use, campus and school site trips, continuous network, new development, bikeway design and maintenance, bikeway development with road improvements, education and safety, bicycle transportation coordinator, traffic law compliance, right-of-way acquisition, bicycle transportation plan implementation, and bike parking.

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

#### Reason One (250 word limit)

San Luis Obispo has a bountiful supply of mountainous terrain and road-cycling options for any level of cyclist. City and County infrastructure already exists to help keep beginner cyclists safe, while more advanced cyclists have plenty of options to challenge themselves on the surrounding hill and canyon trails.

#### Reason Two (250 word limit)

There are multiple community events aimed at involving people of all ages, disciplines, and socioeconomic levels in the biking lifestyle. Most notable of these is the Bike Happening, a monthly extravaganza where people dress up in costume and ride their bikes en masse throughout the streets of downtown San Luis Obispo, after the weekly Farmers Market. Other options for rides are provided by the San Luis Obispo Cycling Club, and range from scenic tours through wine country to destination oriented paths through the city, linking desirable end locations through safe routes.

#### Reason Three (250 word limit)

San Luis Obispo's Transportation Plan reflects the desire to increase infrastructure and participation in a bicycle-focused lifestyle; through the use of reallocating funds based on transportation objectives and a changing way of measuring road service. The new mode split goal focuses on getting 50% of trips by car and 20% by bicycle, and measuring road success by Multi-Modal Level of Service. Lastly, the City passed a policy to match funds with objective goals, meaning that 20% of the general transportation funds must be solely focused on bicycling needs.

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

#### Aspect One (100 word limit)

The City of San Luis Obispo should hire a Bicycle Transportation Coordinator to "coordinate and implement the bicycle transportation plan" as stated in the San Luis

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**Aspect Two (100 word limit)**

The City should create a bike trail that would go through the entire city. This has been outlined in the Bicycle Transportation Plan as to where this trail would go and what types of zoning and permitting would be required. There is currently no Class 1 bike path through the City.

**Aspect Three (100 word limit)**

**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)

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

- Yes
- No

**How did you hear about the BFC program?**