

Cannon Falls

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Bike Cannon Falls

Working to make it safer, easier and more enjoyable for children, families and seniors to bicycle in Cannon Falls.



Goals

- To increase the number of students who bicycle to and from school.
- To increase the number of children, families and seniors who bicycle to and from community destinations.
- To increase the number of residents and visitors who bicycle to and from local businesses.



Why

- Bicycle Friendly Communities provide opportunity to make your community a vibrant destination for residents and visitors – a place where people don't just live and work, but thrive.
- Simple steps to make bicycling safe and comfortable pay huge dividends in civic, community and economic development.
- Given the opportunity to ride, residents enjoy dramatic health benefits, reduced congestion, increased property values and more money in their pockets to spend in the local economy.
- When your community welcomes bicycling, tourism booms, businesses attract the best and the brightest, and governments save big on parking costs while cutting their carbon emissions.

Next Steps

- Increase the number of people on our Bike Cannon Falls Team.
- Recruit additional people to participate in a Bikeable Community Workshop on Tuesday, May 7th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.
- Work with the School, City, County and State to make infrastructure improvements.
- Offer Education and Encouragement Activities.

Additional Plans

- Participate in National Bike to School Day – May 8th
- Pilot a new Bicycle Safety & Educational Campaign
- Host additional Bicycle Events in June, July & August
 - ✓ Cannon Valley Trail Open House – Saturday, June 1st
 - ✓ Peddle into the Past – Saturday, June 22nd
 - ✓ Bike to the Cannon Valley Fair Day

Bikeable Community Workshop Agenda

Tuesday, May 7th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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| Welcome & Introductions | 35 minutes | BikeMN, MnDOT, and MDH Bikeable Community Workshop team members introduce themselves and give an overview of the day |
| Introduction to Equity | 5 minutes | Role of equity in community improvement. Equity discussion will be incorporated into each workshop section |
| Evaluation & Planning | 35 minutes | Bicycle plans, bicycle counts, and land use planning |
| Engineering | 35 minutes | Engineering examples and resources |
| Education | 35 minutes | Riding in Traffic Minnesota's Bicycle & Traffic Laws |
| Break | 10 minutes | Prepare for mobile workshop |
| Mobile Workshop | 90 minutes | 3-5 mile community assessment and bike ride |
| Reconvene & Lunch | 20 minutes | Discuss bike ride |
| Enforcement | 15 minutes | Examples of enforcement strategies |
| Encouragement | 15 minutes | Examples of encouragement strategies |
| Action Planning | 50 minutes | Participants use knowledge gained in workshop and planning worksheets to develop six-and twelve-month action plans for their community |
| Summary & Evaluation | 10 minutes | Complete workshop evaluation forms |