



ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Steering Committee Meeting

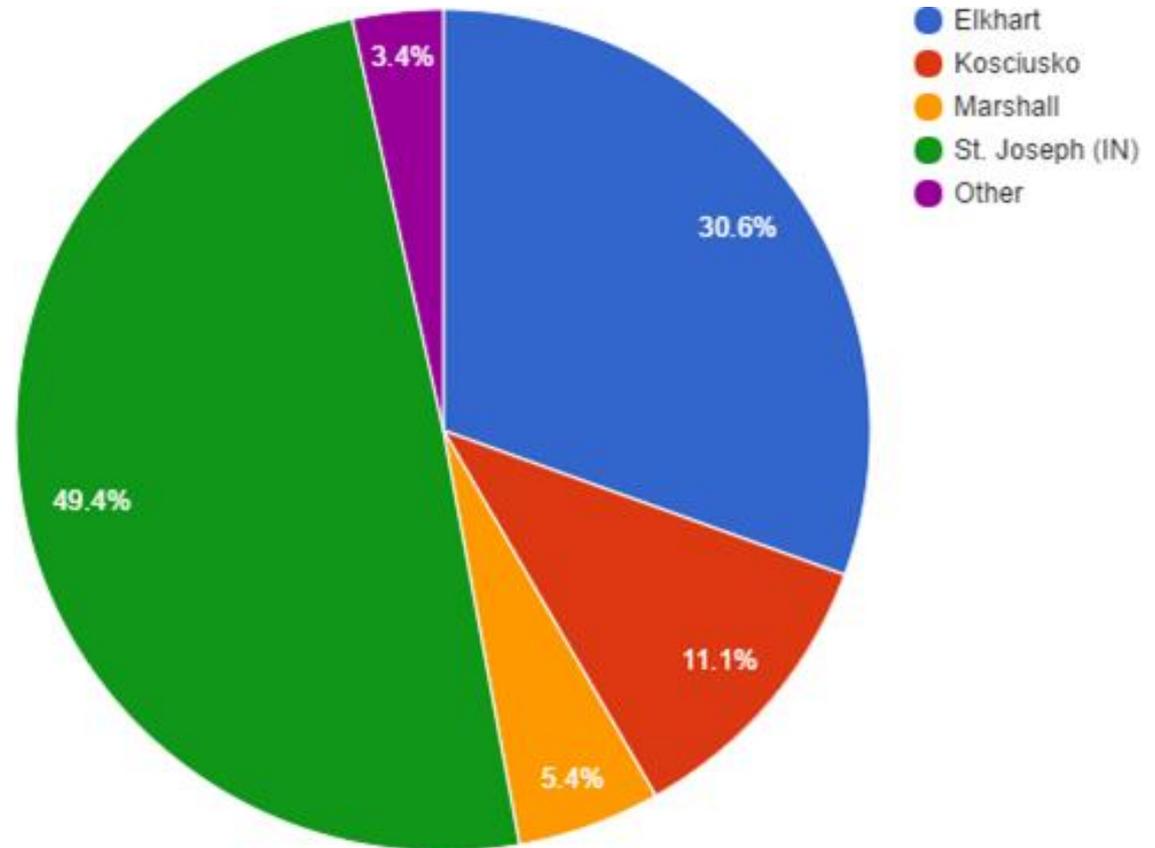
May 9, 2016
1:00 - 3:00

Overview

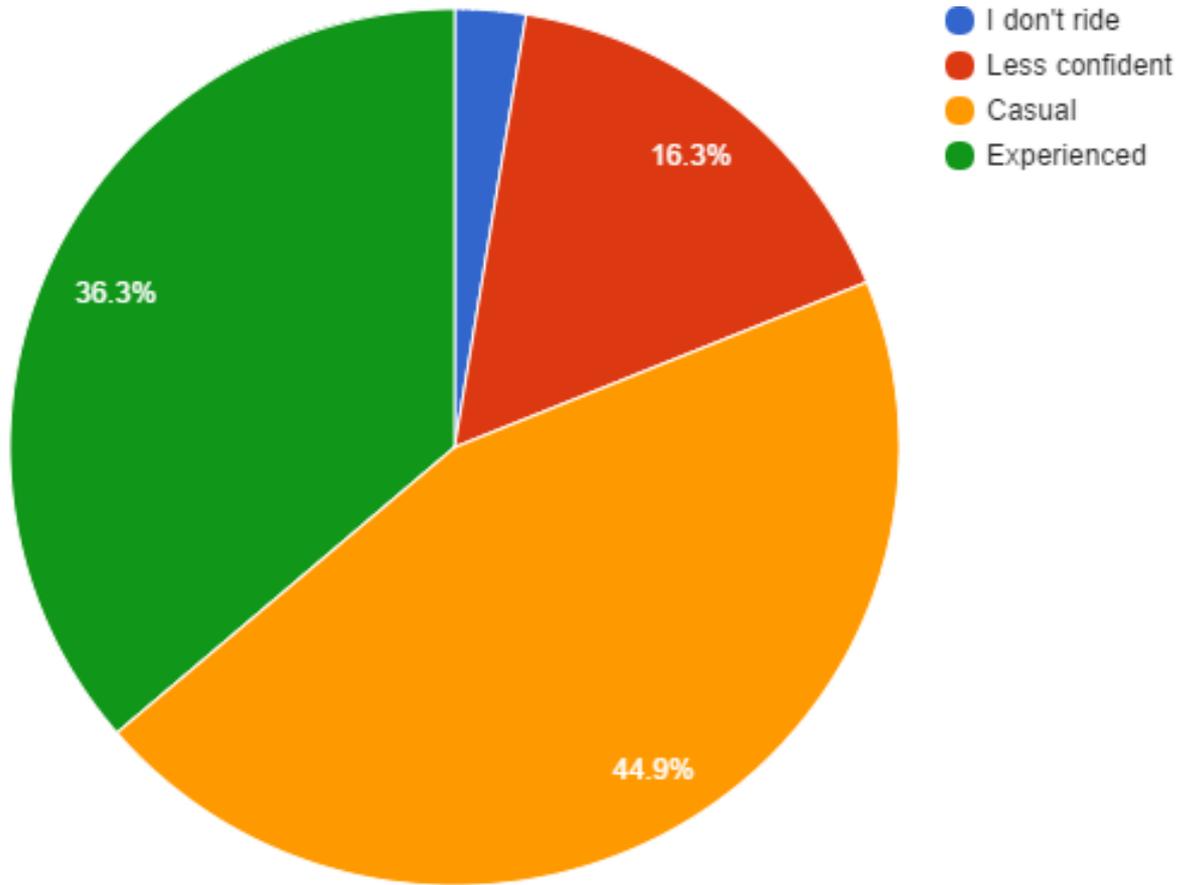
- 1.Active Transportation Survey
- 2.Vision, Goals, & Objectives
- 3.Proposed Projects & Regional Priorities
- 4.Supporting Programs
- 5.Implementation Strategy

Active Transportation Survey

» 350 total surveys completed



Which of the following best describes your level of comfort or confidence in bicycling?



Thinking about your community, what are some barriers to riding a bicycle for transportation?

1. Vehicle traffic speeds - 74%
2. Weather (rain or snow) - 67%
3. There are no or few bicycle paths to where I want to go - 54%
4. Bike lanes or paths abruptly end - 45%
5. Road Conditions - 42%
6. I don't feel safe - 34%
7. I don't want to get wet or sweaty: no showers - 27%
8. It takes too long - 17%
9. I travel with my kids, and it doesn't feel safe - 14%
10. It's too far to go to shops and other services - 11%

How important are each of the following to bicycling?

1. Well connected routes
2. Paved pathways and trails, separated from traffic
3. Street maintenance, like filling in potholes or clearing debris/snow
4. Increased education and enforcement of motorist and bicycle traffic laws
5. Dedicated bike lanes on roads
6. Pavement markings and signs

Why do you walk and/or bicycle for transportation?

1. It is good for my health - 84%
2. It is enjoyable - 81%
3. It is good for the environment - 64%
4. To see my community - 52%
5. It reduces dependence on oil - 43%
6. To save money - 41%
7. My friends and family walk and bike - 24%

How important are each of the following reasons for investing in bicycling or walking?

1. Increasing health and physical activity
2. Create safe routes for walking and bicycling to school
3. Enhancing access to and experience of the natural environment
4. Improving facilities in city or town centers, main streets, and near transit stops
5. Providing independent transportation options for all ages and abilities (youth, senior citizens, persons with disabilities)
6. Creating less pollution

Vision, Goals, and Objectives

Vision

In 2040, the Michiana region will boast an interconnected, safe, and accessible active transportation network where all resident and visitors can travel from place to place without use of motorized vehicles. Our communities will transform from focusing primarily on automobile transportation to including all forms of active transportation. Throughout the region, infrastructure, programs, policies and educational efforts will support healthy and active lifestyles resulting in healthier, safer, and stronger communities.

Goals

Connectivity

Accessibility

Culture

Health

Safety

Quality of
Place

Goal 1: Connectivity

A regional, interconnected network that allows for efficient transportation to the places residents and visitors want to go through the use of active transportation.



Goal 2: Accessibility

Active transportation options will be equitably available for all people of all abilities and backgrounds and integrate with all forms of transportation.



Goal 3: Safety

The transportation network will be safe and comfortable for all users, especially for the most vulnerable.



Goal 4: Culture

Residents, business owners, and community leaders will foster a change from an *automobile-centric* culture to an *active-living* culture.



Goal 5: Health

Active transportation will be integrated into daily routines in order to support healthy lifestyles for residents and the community.



Goal 6: Quality of Place

Our region will have economically and socially vibrant communities, that attract and retain people to live, work, and play, through the use of active transportation.



Objectives Handout

Proposed Projects

Project Identification

The projects listed have been identified by local public agencies, stakeholders, and the public.



What are our Regional Priorities?

Proposed Supporting Programs

Education, Community Outreach, and Encouragement

Supporting Programs

- » Education
 - » Safety Campaign
 - » Safe Routes to School
 - » Driver Education
 - » Law enforcement



Supporting Programs

- » Community Outreach
 - » Marketing Campaign
 - » Resource Guide
 - » Bikeways Sign Plan
 - » Partnership Forum
 - » MATC



Supporting Programs

- » Encouragement
 - » National Bike Month/Bike to Work Week
 - » Walktober
 - » City Challenges
 - » Walking Buses/Bike Trains
 - » Neighborhood Street Stories
 - » Bike Shares
 - » Open Streets



Implementation Strategy

Step 1: Adopt the Plan



Step 2: Adopt a Complete Streets Policy



Step 3: Establish an Active Transportation Committee



Step 4: Establish Baseline Counts and Measurements



Step 5: Create an Active Transportation Design Guideline



Step 6: Create an Active Transportation Education Program



Step 7: Develop a Regional Bikeways Sign Plan

Oakland, CA



Decision Sign



Confirmation Sign

Portland, OR



San Francisco, CA



Local

Cross-town

Berkeley, CA



Type 1A (Identification)

Type 1B (Wayfinding)

Chicago, IL



D11-1c Modified Bike Route Sign

D1-1c Guide Signs

Step 8: Seek Funding for High Priority Projects



Are there other implementation steps that should be included?

Next Steps

- » Draft Plan sent to Steering Committee for Review
- » Conference Call to discuss outstanding concerns
- » Plan out for Public Comment prior to June 1st



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