North Kansas City is undertaking a Bike Master Plan in 2019 to coordinate projects and plan for a comprehensive network that connects and serves all parts of the community. We want to make sure this effort supports safer streets, more inviting public spaces, and better access to North Kansas City destinations for everyone to enjoy.

How is the plan funded?
The City of North Kansas City applied for and won competitive funding from a Planning Sustainable Places grant administered through Mid-America Regional Council.

What’s in the plan?
The bike master planning process provides engagement and education opportunities, analysis of roadways, a network of North Kansas City streets recommended for bicycle facilities, preliminary design concepts for specific bike facilities, a way to track and measure progress toward plan goals, and cost estimation to guide phasing and future investment.

Streets that Work for Everyone
For many, driving a car is not an option. Everyone needs to get around town, and everyone deserves to be safe when they do so. There are also many who don’t bike today, but would choose to do so if it were safer and more comfortable. For these potential cyclists who are interested in biking but concerned about safety, better bike infrastructure will get them out riding, providing benefits for them as individuals, for other users of the street, and for the community as a whole.

Building on the 2016 North Kansas City Master Plan
This plan builds upon North Kansas City’s Master Plan Vision and Themes.

Theme 1: Grow and attract new and innovative business opportunities to create jobs, support local economy, and increase tax base.

Theme 2: Attract new residents and increase homeownership rates that support sustainable economic and social benefits.

Theme 3: Establish memorable destinations to create authentic and diverse public spaces, while expanding the range of attractions and economic development opportunities.

Theme 4: Build a safe multimodal network and enhance the pedestrian-scaled environment.

Theme 5: Preserve and enhance the local identity, uniqueness, and arts and culture assets of the North Kansas City community.
Why undertake a Bike Master Plan?

As the first step of a successful master planning process, we want to understand how investments in cycling infrastructure can provide important benefits for the entire community. The most direct benefits of biking in a community are enjoyed by cyclists themselves. Research shows cyclists are happier and healthier, with more money in their pockets. Businesses benefit from cycling too, with higher sales and more frequent customers. Employers see lower healthcare costs and more productive employees. Biking takes cars off the road, meaning less traffic and more parking for drivers. Everyone benefits from less pollution. For those without access to an automobile, biking can be a lifeline to transit, services, and employment. Around the world, higher rates of biking correlate with decreased traffic injuries and fatalities.

This Bike Master Plan explores biking benefits through the lens of North Kansas City, and seeks to define the opportunity that better bicycle infrastructure holds, based on North Kansas City’s demographics, economic opportunities, unique location, and vision for the future.

What outcomes of the Bike Master Plan are most important to you?

- **Increase Health & Happiness**
- **Expand Access to Opportunity**
- **Grow Local Business**
- **Increase Safety**
- **Improve Job Retention & Performance**
- **Strengthen Quality of Life**
- **Enhance Public Space**
- **Support Tourism & Development**
- **Other Priorities**
Routes and Destinations

We asked:

What routes do you bike today?

What routes would you bike if it was safe and comfortable?

What destinations do you visit on your bike?

What destinations would you like to visit if you had a safe and comfortable route?

What locations feel unsafe or uncomfortable for biking?

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Public Comments: Routes

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Public Feedback: Destinations & Barriers

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