Congratulations on launching Topeka Metro Bikes! Your application shows a tremendous amount of improvement within your community and potential to further improve conditions for people who bike in Topeka.

Continue to implement the Topeka Bikeways master plan. Ensure that plan implementation leads to low-stress networks that are suitable for people of all ages and abilities.

Convene businesses and other community stakeholders to create partnerships that encourage bicycling for recreation and transportation. Encourage local businesses to apply for Bicycle Friendly Business awards.

Expand bicycle education efforts. Bicycle-safety education should be a routine part of education, for students of all ages, and schools and the surrounding neighborhoods should be particularly safe and convenient for biking and walking.

Provide a variety of targeted bicycle events to engage women, seniors, families, and other demographic groups that may benefit from non-traditional or group-specific bicycle events. Targeted events may help to encourage groups that have specific concerns about bicycling or which have not previously been engaged in supporting bicycling improvements.

Create a public campaign to normalize bicycling for recreation and transportation. Stress the safety of bicycling, the diversity of people who bike, and the many reasons that people bike.