



# NEW BRITAIN, CT

TOTAL POPULATION

73000

POPULATION DENSITY

5489

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

13.3

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

0

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

0

## 10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

	Average Silver	New Britain
High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	35%	0%
Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	48%	26%
Bicycle Education in Schools	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling	11%	7%
Bike Month and Bike to Work Events	GOOD	ACCEPTABLE
Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	YES	YES
Active Bicycle Advisory Committee	MEETS EVERY TWO MONTHS	MEETS AT LEAST MONTHLY
Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	GOOD	VERY GOOD
Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	YES	YES
Bike Program Staff to Population	1 PER 78K	1 PER 146K

## CATEGORY SCORES

<b>ENGINEERING</b> <i>Bicycle network and connectivity</i>	4 / 10
<b>EDUCATION</b> <i>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills</i>	4 / 10
<b>ENCOURAGEMENT</b> <i>Mainstreaming bicycling culture</i>	3 / 10
<b>ENFORCEMENT</b> <i>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights</i>	6 / 10
<b>EVALUATION &amp; PLANNING</b> <i>Setting targets and having a plan</i>	4 / 10

## KEY OUTCOMES

	Average Silver	New Britain
<b>RIDERSHIP</b> <i>Percentage of Commuters who bike</i>	2.7%	0.3%
<b>SAFETY MEASURES CRASHES</b> <i>Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	537	1124
<b>SAFETY MEASURES FATALITIES</b> <i>Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters</i>	6.3	0



## KEY STEPS TO SILVER



» Since New Britain's last application, the community adopted APBP bike parking standard and did other improvements for bike parking. Congratulations and continue to increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community. Without secure and convenient bike parking it is difficult for a person to choose to ride their bicycle for transportation or utilitarian trips.

» Congratulations on the development of the CTfastrak bus rapid transit system and complementary trail. Continue to support transit-oriented development and the use of bicycles for accessing CTfastrak.

» Work with local schools to create a Bike to School Day event. Bike to School Day often involves community groups and elected officials promoting and helping people to choose to bike to school.

» Keep up the emphasis on equity, diversity, and inclusion found in efforts like the "Gap Closure" project, which will eventually connect trails with the East Coast Greenway.

» New Britain is doing a lot of great work to build places and culture

for people who bike. Congratulations on working with Bike New Britain to create a headquarters and store front at one of the downtown gateways for New Britain. Continue to build upon these developments.

» Develop a community-wide trip reduction ordinance/program, incentive program, and/or a Guaranteed Ride Home program to encourage and support bike commuters in New Britain.

» Improve Bike Month activities by expanding Bike to Work Day outreach to businesses, initiating a Mayor's Ride, and/or other activities focuses on fun and utilitarian bicycling. Bike to Work Day events can include competitions for participation between businesses and "energizer" stations where people can get coffee on the way to work.

» Increase the amount of staff time spent on improving conditions for people who bike and walk. Increasing staff time, either by creating a position or changing the responsibilities of current staff, can have a positive impact on the ability of your community to execute bicycling and walking-related projects and programs.