

Palo Alto Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan

Performance Measure Reference Table
2/15/2024

The tables below sort the 2012 Plan objectives and Bike Friendly Community criteria to corresponding 2024 Vision Workshop themes, where available.

Reduce GHG			
2024 Vision Workshop Themes	2012 Plan Objectives	Bike Friendly Communities Criteria	Potential Measure(s) - Modified for 2024
N/A	Convert discretionary vehicle trips into walking and bicycling trips in order to reduce City transportation-related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions 15% by 2020.	N/A	Consider relying on the Palo Alto Sustainability and Climate Action Plan (S/CAP) to address GHG emissions GHG reduction is a lagging measure and an outcome of mode change which is contingent on availability of AAA cycling and walking infrastructure

Expand Walk/Bike Network			
2024 Vision Workshop Themes	2012 Plan Objectives	Bike Friendly Communities Criteria	Potential Measure(s) - Modified for 2024
Connected and Accessible: Featuring a convenient and interconnected network of sidewalks, bike lanes, and trails that provide efficient travel options and easy access to transit.	Develop a core network of shared paths, bikeways, and traffic-calmed streets that connects business and residential districts, schools, parks, and open spaces to promote healthy, active living.	High Speed Roads with Bike Facilities	Leading Indicator: Projects with Complete Street checklists completed and approved for AAA routes Direct Lagging Indicator: Percentage of households that live within 1000ft of completed and connected all ages and abilities (AAA) cycling infrastructure (bikeways, trails)
		Total Bicycle Network Mileage to Total Road Network Mileage	Leading Indicator: Miles of bicycle boulevards, enhanced bikeways, and trails developed Direct Lagging Indicator: Numbers of pedestrians and bicyclists on key facilities, as determined by counts. Leading Indicator: Amount of grants provided to local residents and community groups to hold "open streets" events Lagging indicator: Number of annual street closure events
		Bicycle Ridership Rate	Leading Indicator: Share of transportation budget spent on walking and biking Direct Lagging Indicator: Construction of new Across Barrier Connections within or near employment centers. Lagging Indicator: Census commute mode share, school commute mode share, TMP reports
	Double the rate of bicycling for both local and total work commutes by 2020 (to 15% and 5%, respectively).		

Safe and Complete Streets			
2024 Vision Workshop Themes	2012 Plan Objectives	Bike Friendly Communities Criteria	Potential Measure(s) - Modified for 2024
Safe and Inclusive: Prioritizing safety for all road users and ensuring equitable access to pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure across the community. Comfortable and Enjoyable: Enhancing the comfort and enjoyment of walking and cycling through amenities such as shade, greenery, and well-designed streetscapes.	Plan, construct, and maintain 'Complete Streets' that are safe and accessible to all modes and people of all ages and abilities.	Crashes per 10k bicycle commuters	Leading Indicator: Annual installation of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps and accessible pedestrian signals
		Fatalities per 10k bicycle commuters	Leading Indicator: Percentage complete of pedestrian and bicycle collisions with KSIs improved or studied. Lagging Indicator: Annual pedestrian and bicycle collisions (either as 10k commuters or pr 100,000 residents)
			Leading Indicator: Number of street tree installations along key walking and cycling routes Lagging Indicator: Canopy coverage of key walking and cycling routes

Planning & Policy			
2024 Vision Workshop Themes	2012 Plan Objectives	Bike Friendly Communities Criteria	Potential Measure(s) - Modified for 2024
Integrated and Collaborative: Collaborating with neighboring cities to create a seamless and integrated regional network of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.	Promote efficient, sustainable, and creative use of limited public resources through integrated design and planning.	Bike Plan is Current and is Being Implemented	Leading Indicator: Share of transportation budget spent on walking and biking
		Bike Program Staff to Population	Leading Indicator: Projects completed involving multiple agency or departmental funding sponsors
		Share of Transportation Budget Spent on Bicycling Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances	Lagging Indicator: Change or introduction of bicycle-friendly laws and ordinances Leading Indicator: Number of connections to cycling infrastructure built by neighbouring municipalities

Education & Encouragement			
2024 Vision Workshop Themes	2012 Plan Objectives	Bike Friendly Communities Criteria	Potential Measure(s) - Modified for 2024
Community-Driven: Fostering community engagement and participation in promoting active transportation, supported by education, programming, and infrastructure investments.	N/A	Bicycle Education in Schools	Leading Indicator: Number of walking and biking promotion events run per year at schools Leading Indicator: Number of schools with complete Safe Routes to School rolled out
		Bike Month and Bike to Work	Lagging Indicator: school commute mode share Leading Indicator: Amount of grants provided to local residents and community groups to hold "open streets" events
			Lagging indicator: Number of annual street closure events

Community, Equity & Advocacy			
2024 Vision Workshop Themes	2012 Plan Objectives	Bike Friendly Communities Criteria	Potential Measure(s) - Modified for 2024
N/A	N/A	Presence of Active Bicycle Advocacy Group	Leading Indicator: Presence of Active Bicycle Advocacy Group
		Active Bicycle Advisory Com	Leading Indicator: Presence of Active Bicycle Advisory Committee