



1. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting started with introductions.

2. Discussions

- Active Transportation Plan Updates:
 - Raj Nagisetty updated the group on the [Regional Active Transportation Survey](#), which will overlap with Lucas County's and the City of Toledo's ATP public engagement efforts. Revisions will be made to the survey draft based on committee feedback. Brian Pawlick shared info. on the Monroe County Active Transportation Map.
 - Survey promotion will be in September through the end of October. A draft plan is expected to be ready by mid-December. The final draft is anticipated to be completed prior to May Bike Month 2026.
 - Brandon Waites, Amy Abodeely, & Beth Deakins suggested public engagement strategies & locations, including libraries and the [TARTA community event on October 23rd](#).
 - A vote was held to choose the name for the Active Transportation Plan, and "Stride and Ride" received the most votes.
- 2026 Bike Month
 - Andrew Sankowski expressed interest in including more family focused outreach and events for Biek Month. In addition, Andrew expressed the need to coordinate through the advisory group to better use resources for future event coordination efforts.
 - Raj plans to assist Wood County with its Glow Roll events. There are two Glow Roll events – Click on the links below for more information and registration:
 - [The Black Swamp Glow Roll – Friday, Sept. 12th, 2025](#)
 - [Slippery Elm Glow Roll – Friday, Sept. 26th, 2025](#)
 - Andrew & Raj are planning to coordinate with Metroparks and begin communication efforts early for better turnout during Bike Month 2026.
- GOHIO Commute Challenge
 - [GOHIO Commute Challenge](#) – Download the app to get incentives and enter into the challenge prize pool. More details at the link provided. The GOHIO Commute challenge started on 09/08/2025 and it will run through 09/21/2025.
 - Raj Nagisetty explained the purpose of the [GOHIO Commute rewards program](#), which allows users to earn coupons for local businesses by logging their walking, biking, bus, & carpool trips in the app.
 - The Guaranteed Ride Home benefit, previously offered by TARTA, is now available through TARTA's Vanpool Program and reimburses users for Uber rides.

3. Advisory Group Roundtable

- Marcus Hansen announced that Monroe Street Bridge over US 23 will be closed from March 2026 to August 2026. A new corner park is planned near the bridge, and the River Trail will be extended into Alexis through the multiuse path that will be added to the new bridge. Here is a link for more information:

[ODOT Project ID 105889](#).

- Allen Gallant shared that the Lucas County Commissioners have been awarded funding to resurface the University/Parks Trail & The Wabash Cannonball Trail. The Wabash Cannon Ball Trail Northfork segment will be resurfaced in three phases starting in 2026.
- Kali Sawaya shared that [TDC Parking Day](#) will take place on September 20, aiming to raise awareness for park development in urban areas.
- Dan Marsalek – Updated the Group on the turn out for Ridin Late in County 48. Turn out was about 500 riders, which was lower than anticipated, but an overall success.
- Mike Young – Gave an update on the bike lanes in Woodlawn cemetery & Willys Parkway. More information can be found on the [Toledo Design Collective website](#).
- Rick Weissenberger – shared a news article in the Toledo Blade regarding [the expansion of the University Parks Trail](#) into Sylvania.

4. Meeting Adjourned