

Active Transportation Advisory Group Report Nov 18<sup>th</sup>,  
2025 9:00 a.m.  
TMACOG Boardroom



Toledo Metropolitan Area  
Council of Governments  
300 Martin Luther King Jr.  
Drive  
Toledo, OH 43697

## 1. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting started with introductions.

## 2. Discussions

- 2026 Bike Month
  - Andrew Sankowski and Amanda Holman gave an update on Bike Month preparations. The Ride of Silence is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Andrew Sankowski expressed interest in including more family focused outreach and events for Bike Month.
- Active Transportation Plan Updates:
  - Amira Nur and Sean Sammon presented the Active Transportation Plan engagement efforts and provided an overview of survey results, which included the timeline for the survey, the coverage of the region for public outreach, and the data collected from 481 survey completions. Final results will be made available to the group at a later date.
  - Raj Nagisetty shared the regional active transportation infrastructure map. Raj plans to remove park paths where biking may not be permitted and will only include those paths connecting to facilities. An interactive map is being developed to help highlight more details like use type for the multiuse paths & trails around the region.
  - Raj explained the logistics of a proposed project designation. Individuals should contact their jurisdiction or TMACOG to coordinate efforts with the appropriate parties.
- GOHIO Commute Challenge
  - Andrew Sankowski won the GOHIO Commute challenge. He is the person with the most logged trips in the state.

## 3. Advisory Group Roundtable

- The group discussed the benefits of Openstreetmaps.com, an open-source tool allowing community members to map infrastructure and contribute other data online.
- The group spoke about the lack of signage on the North Coast Inland Trail and moving toward consistent signage for trails and multiuse paths throughout the region.
- Dave Weber shared community efforts to stop planned demolition of a historic bridge, garnering 500 supporting signatures. Contact information - phone: 419-601-8084 & email: [forestc@bex.net](mailto:forestc@bex.net). Mr. Weber also provided the following links for more information: [Meeting Notes](#) & [ODOT Bridge Study](#).

- Babar Seltzer gave updates from the City of Toledo: Projected completion of a 25-mile bike path by Fall 2027 from Maumee to Glass City Metropark Park.
- Beth Deakins provided an update on the Washington Local School Travel Plan update, which is expected to be completed in February 2026. She announced that the All-Kids Bike program at Greenwood Elementary will launch in 2026. The program aims to ensure all first-grade students learn to ride a bike before the end of the school year.
- Florence from the Monroe County Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Panel shared information about the Monroe Loop trail, with 6.5 miles of new construction. This is part of a larger 18-mile trail at Sterling State Park.
- John Hartig updated the group on the Great Lakes Way connection. The network is 60% complete. Work is ongoing with state governments to extend the trail along the shoreline, with plans to connect to the Canadian Great Lakes Way.
- Raj took notes on which advisory group members want to help coordinate events for 2026 Bike Month and will reach out to the individuals to setup collaborative meetings in Jan. 2026.

#### **4. Meeting Adjourned**