

# Miami Valley Cycling Summit Workshop Results

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## Centerville

### **1. Ways to energize our community to reach bike friendly status:**

- Build on community leaders' support
- Host a bike ride with elected officials
- Work with bikeway committee (Centerville/ Washington Township)
- Assess barriers to safety (i.e. 675)
- Find ways to overcome them
- Energize business community downtown
- Present need for bike parking to committee
- Kick off/Explore Safe Routes to School
  - Objections by school district underserved
  - Especially in light of transportation
  - Access to affordable bikes for low-income families
- Form local advocacy group
- Develop local route-finding tool (multiple destinations)
- Create follow-up survey or publicize results of earlier survey
- Define needs and strategies for various population segments
- Energize neighboring communities
- Share progress toward bike-friendliness w/ residents (DDN, Parks News, City, Township News)
- Advocate @ city council and township trustee meetings

### **2. Perspectives / interests that need to be at the table:**

- Park District
- Township
- Schools
- City
- Library
- Businesses (South Metro C of C)
- Home schoolers
- PTA
- Heart of Centerville
- Adjacent communities
- Lower-income represented by?
- Seasoned citizens (St. Leonard's, Bethany, Hithergreen)
- Neighborhood associations
- Healthcare (MV South/ Southview)
- Service Clubs
- Churches

- Rec Center

**3. To move forward we need:**

- Money (Federal and local and private)
- Advocates
- Whole community commitment
- Outreach/communication of vision/goals
- To find low-hanging fruit
- Celebrate successes
- To use social networking
- A sugar daddy/momma
- Creativity
- Local fundraising (by businesses)
- To call Bill from LAB for help to find money

**NEXT STEPS**

TASKS	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	DEADLINE
Host ride for elected officials Call Greg Horn Write letter to mayor	Ned and Steve!  Ken	October
Augment bike task force committee meeting (Public meeting) Call Martha	Park District w/ Stein  Ken	September
Contact Cline, PTAs RE' Safe Routes to School	B.J.	August/September