

2016 Deschutes County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Goals

The Deschutes County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee’s mission is to encourage, promote, and advocate for safe and accessible walking and biking environments which enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors in Central Oregon and to advise the Board of County Commissioners on such matters. Adopted 12.03.2015

Goal	Objectives	Action Item	Responsible Person/Party
I. Infrastructure: <i>(Increase Connectivity for Active Transportation)</i>	A. Assist with and encourage integration of local and regional complete streets system plans, policies and designs in communities and all different jurisdictions throughout Central Oregon.	Continue regular attendance at BPAC meetings of all municipalities and agencies to ensure BPAC is engaged; Promote SR2S (Safe Routes to School);; Assist other municipalities with planning efforts; continue forging relationships; Encourage policy and code amendments that serve to support complete streets infrastructure in new development; Support the leadership of the Bend MPO to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	County and Municipal Staff BPAC Chair and assigned members, Commute Options, Redmond BPAC
	B. Encourage infrastructure connectivity (trails, paths, other amenities and transit) to development.	Create opportunities to solicit input from the broader community and assists where needed; Strongly encourage OSU-Cascades and COCC to integrate sufficient and leading-edge multi-modal transportation infrastructure in all new campus development.	BPAC; CART; COTA, STA; CEAC, OSU Cascades, COCC
	C. Encourage smooth transition between modes including bikes on buses, accessible bus stops and improving access and increasing use to the transit system.	Encourage and support the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (COIC) audit of bicycling and pedestrian and transit facilities in conjunction with cities of Bend and Redmond, other communities, and to help direct a joint prioritization of projects.	BPAC: City Staff/ Commute Options, CET Staff, OSU-Cascades, COCC
	D. Sustain early involvement in development processes-	Work with relevant staff and affected parties to keep informed about development projects as soon as initial plans are submitted, and prior to and throughout planned development and construction or annual maintenance. Develop a prioritized inventory of transportation enhancements and share with appropriate agencies.	All
II. Advocacy: Encourage biking and walking. <i>(Increase Connectivity and Promote Safety for Active Transportation;)</i>	A. Monitor Evaluate funding opportunities	Analyze, assess and promote identified funding opportunities. Provide letters of support when appropriate.	BPAC: and partners
	B. Increase coordination between other agencies and committees.	(a) Widely circulate meeting minutes & hold biannual agency coordination meeting at BPAC; (b) Continue active participation of BPAC on the Central Oregon Area Commission on Transportation (COACT); (c) Enhance role as the primary resource for all bicycle & pedestrian-related issues (d) Encourage expanded and consistent mapping of bike, pedestrian and transit routes and facilities. (e) Facilitate the coordination and availability of relevant data, including accident statistics & research services; support the national bicycle and pedestrian count program county-wide.	(a) BPAC, County Staff (b) Cheryl, Bill B. (c) All (d) All (e) All
	C. Provide effective, collaborative, and non-adversarial advocacy in the local planning process.	Committee organizes schedule of regular agency & municipality meetings Populate and publish BPAC calendar.	BPAC & All BPAC Subcommittee Chairs
	D. Raise awareness of transportation accessibility issues for people with limited mobility.	Strengthen our relationship and coordination with Central Oregon Coalition on Accessibility (COCA) and City of Bend Accessibility Advisory Committee (COBAAC); invite and encourage the participation of the city of Bend accessibility manager and other municipal and County Accessibility staff.	BPAC: Cheryl City and County Staff
	E. Encourage a holistic view of the benefits of Active Transportation that includes transportation, health and community safety.	(a) Engage other groups including: OSU-Cascades/COCC, health & safety related groups, business groups, Chambers, service clubs, places of worship, etc. (b) Support Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Education Programs in schools that focus on benefits of multi-modal transportation systems; (c) Encourage more bicycling and walking to schools. (d) Offer BPAC Speakers and BPAC contact information on County BPAC web page	(a) All, OSU-Cascades/COCC (b) Commute Options (c) Road User Safety Task Force (RUSTF). Commute Options, BPAC (d) Matt Martin
	F. Seek and Enhance Bicycle and Walk Friendly Community designations	a) Review current designation and feedback on applications; b) Support and encourage other communities to apply	All, Municipalities and the MPO
III. Education: Bike and Pedestrian Transportation, Health and Safety	A. Encourage education and safety in the multi-modal environment by teaching appropriate routes and rules of conduct. Continue to promote Active Transportation in Central Oregon.	(a) Sustain and Enhance the BPAC web presence at bikecentraloregon.org and centraloregonmaps.com Support update of Deschutes County Bike Guide and facilitate development of an updated bicycling and pedestrian map/guide for Central Oregon (b) Help to strengthen efforts of law enforcement, the (Road User Safety Task Force) RUSTF, Canals as Regional Trails (CART), and Promote Road User Safety Education Programs, e.g. the Share the Road, Light up the Night, and Diversion Programs. Work with Redmond BPAC to establish Redmond Diversion Program. (c) Develop and maintain strong and sustainable engagement with law enforcement. (d) Develop radio & TV PSAs in cooperation with local media (e) Promote the values of Safe Routes 2 School (SR2S) (f) Maintain strong relationship with Commute Options (g) Develop education campaign on obstructing bike and pedestrian facilities.	(a) L. Freeman; Visit Bend & Commute Options (b) BPAC, Commute Options, Bend PRD, Bend PD, Deschutes SO; Redmond BPAC, Redmond PD (c) BPAC, Commute Options, MPO, City of Bend (d) BPAC: Commute Options (e) Commute Options, BPAC: RUSTF (f) BPAC, Commute Options, Redmond BPAC, ODOT
	B. Award and recognize businesses and organizations for positive efforts that lead to improved access for bicyclists and pedestrians in the multi-modal system	Sustain <i>Big Chain Ring</i> and <i>Safe Sidewalks</i> awards program; ensure a strong nomination process, including timely press releases; present awards at Board of County Commissioners meeting (see IV.D.), with additional recognition in conjunction with Commute Options.	All
IV. BPAC Awareness and Visibility	A. Outreach beyond Bend by having more presence in the greater community as defined in the bylaws.	Sustain meetings in Redmond, Sisters/West County and La Pine/South County locations; Coordinate annual Tri-County Summit, striving for equitable selection of venues year to year; Encourage collaborative support systems in Central Oregon counties.	BPAC: Redmond BPAC, Commute Options
	B. Promote BPAC through media outlets	(a) Maintain message calendar to guide press and article releases; Widely circulate meeting minutes and requests for agenda placements; hold biannual agency coordination meeting at BPAC (b) Publish an Annual Report	(a) BPAC: Cheryl, Matt County Staff (b) Kim, Mary B.
	C. Invite guest speakers to BPAC meetings and invite BPAC members speak at other meetings.	Maintain open door policy for guest speakers at BPAC meetings; Encourage availability of BPAC members to be a guest speaker at meetings. (See II.E.(a) above) Update county web site with speakers willing to speak at public events/engagements	All
	D. Maintain a strong relationship with the Board of County Commissioners	(a) Maintain program to provide updates to Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) 2X each year; “Big Chain Ring” awards presentation in conjunction with BOCC (b) Advocate the role of BPAC with the BOCC	All All, BOCC

