



## BFC\_Fall\_2014\_open Submitted by Bill Elliott on 2014-08-08 17:21:58

### **Application Tips**

- The application will be referring to your type of jurisdiction as “community” throughout the application due to the great variety of types of jurisdictions applying, which does not include bicycle amenities, services and other resources outside your boundaries.
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### **Name of Community**

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Oklahoma City

County/Borough/Parish

Oklahoma

State

Oklahoma

Has the community applied to the Bicycle Friendly Community program before?

No

Mayor or top elected official (include title)

Mayor Mick Cornett

Phone

(405) 297-2424

Email

mayor@okc.gov

Address

200 North Walker, Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Website

www.okc.gov

### **BFC Contact Profile**

Note: This person will receive any future BFC related communication and will be listed as the contact person for the community on the award web profile, if designated.

Name of BFC contact

Randy Entz

Title

Transportation Planner

Department

Planning

Employer

City of Oklahoma City

Address

420 W. Main #900

City

Oklahoma City

State

Oklahoma

Zip

73102

Phone

(405) 297-216

Email

randall.entz@okc.gov

Is the BFC contact also the Bicycle Program Manager?

No

If no, does your community have a Bicycle Program Manager?

No

If different from above, what is the Bicycle Program Manager's contact information (email and phone)?

Applicant name and email, if different from BFC contact or Bicycle Program Manager contact

### **Community Profile**

1. Type of Jurisdiction

Town/City/Municipality

2. For purposes of comparison, would you describe your community as largely

urban

3. Climate Average daytime temperature (in °F)

January

39.2

April

61.0

July

83.0

October

62.0

Average precipitation (in inches)



**January**

1.4

**April**

3.1

**July**

2.9

**October**

3.7

**4. Size of community (in sq. mi.)**

**Total area**

621.2

**Water area**

14.2

**Land area**

607.0

**5. Total Population**

609,516

**5a. College/University student population (during semester)**

10% or less

**6. Population Density (Person per sq. mi. of land area)**

981

**7. Median Household Income**

\$48,557

**8. Age distribution (in percent)**

**Under 5**

7

**Age 5-17**

18.5

**Age 18-64**

63

**Age 65+**

11.5

**Totals (should equal 100)**

100

**9. Race (in percent)**

**White**

87.4

**Black or African American**

15.1

**American Indian and Alaska Native**

3.5

**Asian**

4.0

**Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander**

**Some other race**

**Two or more races**

**Totals (should equal 100)**

100

**Hispanic or Latino (of any race)**

17.2

**10. How many government employees (including the Bicycle Program Manager), expressed in full-time equivalents, work on bicycle issues in your community?**

.5

**11. What percentage of the community's Bicycle Program Manager's time is spent on bicycling issues?**

N/A

**12. Do you have an officially recognized Bicycle Advisory Committee?**

No

**12a. How often does it meet?**

**12b. How many members serve on the committee?**

**12c. Which of the following groups are represented or regularly attend the Bicycle Advisory Committee? Check all that apply.**

**12d. Name and email of Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair**

**13. List all bicycle advocacy groups in your community**

Oklahoma Bicycle Society

**13a. List the name and email of the primary contact for each bicycle advocacy group. If a primary contact is the applicant or BFC contact, list an alternative contact.**

Oklahoma Bicycle Society - Alice Pattillo - apattillo@glpcommunications.com

**13b. Do you contract with any advocacy groups for services or programs? Check all that apply.**

No

**13c. List all advocacy groups that are working with you on this application.**

Oklahoma Bicycle Society

**14. What are the primary reasons your community has invested in bicycling? Check all that apply.**

Improved quality of life,Improving public health,Community connectivity,Transportation options,Decrease traffic congestion,Cooperation with adjacent communities,Public demand,Traffic and bicycle/pedestrian safety

**15. What was your community's most significant achievement for bicycling in the past 12 months? (500 word limit)**

Started construction on 8 miles of trail that will connect the west side of OKC with downtown and connect more neighborhoods to existing trails.

**16. If you have applied to the BFC program before, describe any improvements that have occurred for cycling in your community since your last application. (500 word limit)**



n/a

**17. What specific improvements do you have planned for bicycling in the next 12 months? (250 word limit)**

Organize a Bike/Ped advisory committee. Marking 62 miles for bike route. Put in place the Complete Streets Policy.

**Engineering**

**18. Does your community currently have any of the following policies in place? Check all that apply.**

**18a. When was it adopted?**

**18b. Provide a link or attach a copy of this legislation or policy**

**18c. What tools are in place to ensure implementation? Check all that apply.**

None of the above

**19. Does your community currently have any of the following additional policies in place? Check all that apply.**

Mixed-use zoning

**20. How do you ensure your engineers and planners accommodate bicyclists according to AASHTO, MUTCD and NACTO standards? (Check all that apply.)**

Hire outside consultants to train staff, APBP webinars

**21. Which of the following significant physical barriers to cycling exist in your community? Check all that apply.**

Major highways, Bridges that are inaccessible or unsafe for cyclists, Large body of water (e.g. river)

**22. How do you ensure that there are end-of-trip facilities for bicyclists? Check all that apply.**

Ordinance that allows bike parking to substitute for car parking

**23. Do your standards for bike parking conform with APBP guidelines?**

Yes

**24. What is the total number of public and private bike parking spaces in your community?**

unknown

**24a. What percentage of bike racks conform with APBP guidelines?**

**24b. Of the total bike parking available, please specify the percentage of bike parking spaces that are:**

**Bike lockers**

None

**Parking spaces in bike depots (i.e. Bikestation)**

None

**Parking spaces in bike corrals (on-street bike parking)**

None

**25. Approximately what percentage of the following locations has bike racks or storage units? Answer all that apply.**

**Public and private schools**

76-90%

**Higher Education Institutions**

76-90%

**Libraries**

More than 90%

**Transit stations and major bus stops**

More than 90%

**Parks & recreation centers**

76-90%

**Other government owned buildings and facilities**

76-90%

**Event venues (e.g. convention center, movie complex)**

51-75%

**Hotels & restaurants**

26-50%

**Office buildings**

26-50%

**Retail stores**

26-50%

**Multi-family housing**

Less than 10%

**Public housing**

Less than 10%

**26. Does your community have transit service (bus, light rail, heavy rail)?**

Yes

**26a. What percentage of buses are equipped with bike racks?**

All

**26b. Are bikes allowed inside transit vehicles?**

No

**27. What is the centerline mileage of the existing off-road bicycle network within your community?**

65.8

**27a. How many miles of the following off-road bicycle accommodations do you have? Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)**

**Paved shared use paths (?10feet)**

65.8

**Natural surface shared use paths (?10feet)**

**Singletrack**

**27b. What percentage of all natural surface trails and singletrack are open to bicyclists?**

Not applicable

**27c. What are the exceptions? (100 word limit)**

**28. What is the centerline mileage of your road network (including state owned and private roads)?**

4459

**28a. What is the street network density of your road network? (centerline miles of road per sq. mi. of land area)**

10.1 - 15.0

**28b. What percentage of roads has posted or design speeds of 25mph and lower?**

51-75%

**28c. What percentage of roads has posted or design speeds of 35mph and higher?**



26-50%

**28d. What percentage of the existing on-street bicycle network meets or exceeds current AASHTO, MUTCD and NACTO standards?**

Less than 10%

**28e. List your existing on-road bicycle accommodations that meet or exceed AASHTO, MUTCD and NACTO standards. Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)**

**Conventional bike lanes (ridable surface ?4feet)**

9

**Shared lane markings**

45

**Contra-flow bike lanes**

**Protected or buffered bike lanes (one-way)**

**Protected or buffered bike lanes (two-way)**

**Raised cycle tracks**

**Left-side bike lanes**


**Bike boulevards or Neighborhood Greenways**

**29. What other ways have you improved conditions for bicyclists? Check all that apply.**

Road diets , Signed bike routes, Bike/pedestrian overpasses/underpasses

**30. What percentage of arterial streets has dedicated space for cyclists (e.g. bike lanes, paved shoulders ?4feet, cycle tracks, etc)?**

**31. Which of the following broader transportation policies and programs are in place in your community? Check all that apply.**

Paid public parking , Shared-parking allowances 

**32. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the on-street bicycle network (including shoulders) remains usable and safe? Select all that apply.**

**32a. Street sweeping**

Same time as other travel lanes

**32b. Snow clearance**

Never

**32c. Pothole maintenance**

Within one month of complaint

**32d. Describe any other maintenance policies or programs for the on-street bicycle network (including shoulders). (100 word limit)**

**33. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the off-street bicycle network remains usable and safe? Select all that apply.**

**33a. Path sweeping**

Quarterly

**33b. Vegetation maintenance**

Quarterly

**33c. Snow clearance**

Never

**33d. Surface repair**


Within one month of complaint

**33e. Describe any other maintenance policies or programs for the off-street bicycle network, if applicable. (100 word limit)**

**34. Is there a mechanism in place for cyclists to identify problem intersections or areas to traffic engineers and planners? Check all that apply.**

Online reporting

**35. How do you accommodate cyclists at intersections in your community? Check all that apply.**

Colored bike lanes in conflict areas, Advance stop line or Bike Box 

**36. Describe any other amenities or infrastructure improvements that your community provides or requires that create a comfortable and attractive bicycling environment. (500 word limit)**

### **Education**

**37. What percentage of your public and private schools offer bicycle education, e.g. through a Safe Routes to School or similar program?**

**Elementary**

None

**Middle School**

None

**High School**

None

**38. Outside of schools, how are children taught safe cycling skills? Check all that apply.**

None of the above

**39. Do you have a ticket diversion program? Check all that apply.**

**40. What have you done in the last 18 months to educate motorists and bicyclists on sharing the road safely? Check all that apply.**

Share the Road educational videos on community website/TV channel, Dedicated bike page on community website

**41. How many times per year are the following adult bicycling education classes held within your community? Answer all that apply.**

**Traffic Skills 101 classes or equivalent (full-day training course, including classroom and on-bike instruction)**

1

**Cycling Skills classes (three to four hour classroom training courses)**

1

**Commuter classes (one to two hour classes)**

**Bicycle maintenance classes or workshops**

2

**42. Do you offer regular Smart Cycling courses for your community engineers and planners that include on-bike instruction and in-traffic cycling?**

No

**43. Has your community hosted a League Cycling Instructor seminar in the past two years?**



No

43a. How many League Cycling Instructors are there in your community?

4

43b. List League Cycling Instructors that have taught at least one class during the past 12 months. (250 word limit)

Pete Kramer, Frank Johnson, Bill Elliott, Susan Brock

44. Which of the following groups of professional drivers have training that includes information on sharing the road with cyclists? Check all that apply.


None of the above

45. Describe any efforts your community has made to ensure your education programs reach traditionally underserved populations, particularly seniors, women, youth and adult minorities and non-English speakers, and persons with disabilities of all ages. (250 word limit)

46. Describe any other education efforts in your community that promote safe cycling. (500 word limit)

#### Encouragement

47. How do you promote National Bike Month/your own dedicated Bike Month? Check all that apply.

Bike Month Website, Open Streets/Ciclovía/Sunday Parkways 

47a. What percentage of the population participate in Bike Month events?

Less than 5%

47b. Do you actively promote Bike to Work Day or other bicycle commuting incentive programs?

Yes


If yes, describe (500 word limit)

PSA, bike club email campaign

47c. Approximately what percentage of the community workforce do you reach on Bike to Work Day?

1-25%

48. How do you promote bicycling outside of your official Bike Month? Check all that apply.

Community and charity rides, Open Streets/Ciclovía/Sunday Parkways 

49. List the signature cycling events that occur in your community. (250 word limit)

Open Streets Community Festival - Feb. 2014. Over 15,000 citizens walked and biked along a closed section of OKC's busiest streets. Bike tours and cycling safety seminars provided. Annual Grand Boulevard Historical Bike Tour - June.

49a. How does the municipality sponsor or actively support these events?

Organize the event, Contribute in-kind funding (i.e. police presence, closing roads, etc), Assist in promoting the event

50. Does your local tourism board or chamber of commerce promote bicycling in your area?

No

51. Are there cycling clubs in your community? Check all that apply.

Recreational bike clubs, Mountain bike clubs, Racing clubs or teams

51a. List the names of the clubs. (500 word limit)

Oklahoma Bicycle Society, Team Bike Buddies, Oklahoma Earthbike Fellowship, OKC Velo Club



52. How many for-profit specialty bicycle retailers (shops dedicated primarily to selling bikes and bike-related equipment) are there in your community?

10

52a. List their names. (250 word limit)

Pro Bike, Schlegel Bicycles, Al's Bicycles, Bike One, Celestial Cycles, Charley's Bike Lab, Melon Bike, Sun and Ski, The Bike Shop, Wheeler Dealer

53. Which of these bicycling amenities do you have in your community? Check all that apply.

BMX track , Cyclocross course , Mountain bike park, Loop route(s) around the community

53a. Is there a skate park in your community?

Yes

If yes, do bikes have access to the skate park?

Always

54. Are there opportunities to rent bicycles in your community?

Yes

55. Does your community currently have a bike sharing program that is open to the general public?

Yes

55a. If yes, please provide details about the system below.

How many bikes are in the system?

95

How many stations are in the system?

7

How many trips are being made annually?

10,861

56. Do you have any current League of American Bicyclists designated Bicycle Friendly Businesses in your community?

No

57. Do you have any current League of American Bicyclists designated Bicycle Friendly Universities in your community?

No

58. Does your community have a bike co-op or non-profit community bike shop?

Yes

If yes, describe its services (250 word limit)

Chain Reaction Ministries - First Christian Church. Repair and distribution of used bikes.

58a. If yes, does the co-op/non-profit community bike shop receive support from the local government?

Free or subsidized property/space for a duration of at least 5 years

If the local government provides grants and/or free/subsidized property/space to the co-op/non-profit community bike shop, please list the annual value for each (in Dollar).

If other, describe (250 word limit)

59. Does your community have youth recreation and/or intervention programs centered on bicycling? Check all that apply.

None

60. What mapping and route finding information is available for your community, which has been updated in the last 18 months? Check all that apply.

Online route finding service, Printed bike map outlining existing bike infrastructure (by type), public restrooms and other bicycle amenities

61. Describe any other programs or policies your community has to encourage cycling. (500 word limit)

#### Enforcement

62. How does your police department interact with the local cycling community? Check all that apply.

No current formal interaction

63. What kind of training is offered to police officers regarding traffic law as it applies to bicyclists? Check all that apply.



Basic academy training

**64. What enforcement programs that target improving cyclist safety are in place? Check all that apply.**

Helmet giveaways

**65. What percentage of patrol officers are on bikes?**

1- 10%

**66. Are any other public safety (e.g. EMS) employees on bikes?**

No

**67. Do police officers report cyclist crash data or potential hazards to traffic engineers and planners to identify sites in need of safety improvements for cyclists?**

Yes

**68. Which of the following safety services and amenities are available in your community?**

Street lighting on most arterials

**69. Are there any local or state ordinances that protect cyclists? Check all that apply.**

Safe passing distance law, It is illegal to harass a cyclist

**70. Do your local ordinances place any restrictions on cyclists? Check all that apply.**

Local law requires that cyclists are required to ride as far to the right of the road as practicable without exceptions

**71. Describe any other enforcement programs or policies relating to cycling. (500 word limit)**

Ordinance allows cyclist to use the full lane on designated routes.

### **Evaluation and Planning**

**72. Does your community have a comprehensive bicycle master plan or similar section in another document?**

Yes

**72a. If yes, please provide details about the plan below.**

**Provide a link to the plan or describe. (250 word limit)**

<http://www.okc.gov/planning/documents/bicycle%20transportation%20plan%20final%20adopted.pdf>

**When was it passed or most recently updated?**

2008

**Is there a dedicated funding source for implementation?**

Yes

**If yes, describe the funding source and designated amount (250 word limit)**

General Obligation Bond

**What percentage of the current plan has been implemented?**

35

**Are you meeting annual target goals for implementation?**

Yes

**73. Do you have a trails master plan that addresses mountain bike access?**

No

**74. Is there formal cooperation between the mountain biking community and the community recreation and planning staff?**

No

**75. Does your community have an on-going bicycle counting and/or survey program that allows for long-term trend analysis of cycling trips (e.g. participation in the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project)?**

No

**75a. If yes, do the counts capture the gender of cyclists?**

No

**76. Does your community routinely conduct pre/post evaluations of bicycle-related road projects?**

No

**77. Does your community establish target goals for bicycle use, e.g. a certain level of bicycle mode share?**

No

**78. What is the most current journey-to-work data for your community? Tip: Search for topic B08301 (Means of Transportation to Work) for your community on the American FactFinder website (Advanced Search). Choose the most recent data set available for your community. Divide the total number of bicycle/pedestrian/transit commuters by the total number of commuters and multiply the result by 100.**

**Bicycling (in %)**

.2 ( [http://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/ACS\\_report\\_final\\_forweb\\_2.pdf](http://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/ACS_report_final_forweb_2.pdf) )

**Percentage of bicycle commuters who are women (See topic B08006. Choose the most recent data set available for your community. Divide the total number of women bicycle commuters by the total number of bicycle commuters and multiply the result by 100.)**

30

**Walking (in %)**

**Transit (in %)**

**79. What is the average commuting distance to work for residents of your community? Tip: This data is not available nationally and needs to be collected locally (or estimated).**

2-5 miles

**80. What percent of children commute to school by bicycle? Tip: This data is not available nationally and needs to be collected locally.**

**Elementary**

1

**Middle School**

**High School**

**81. How many cyclists have been involved in a crash in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle?**

317

**81a. How many cyclist fatalities have occurred in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle?**

7

**81b. Do you have a specific plan or program to reduce these numbers?**

No

**82. Do you measure the Bicycle Level of Service of roads and/or intersections?**

No

**83. Do you have community-wide trip reduction policies or programs?**

No

**83a. Does the program use individualized marketing to identify and support current and potential bike commuters in your community?**

No

**84. Have you done an economic impact study on bicycling in your community?**

No

**85. Do you have a mechanism to ensure bicycle facilities, programs and encouragement efforts are implemented in traditionally underserved neighborhoods?**



No

86. Describe any other programs or policies that your community uses to evaluate and/or plan bicycling conditions, programs, and facilities. (500 word limit)

**Final Overview**

87. What are the three primary reasons your community deserves to be designated a Bicycle Friendly Community?

**Reason One (250 word limit)**

Progress of downtown bike lanes and trails

**Reason Two (250 word limit)**

**Reason Three (250 word limit)**

88. What are the three aspects of your community most in need of improvement in order to accommodate bicyclists?

**Aspect One (100 word limit)**

Education of drivers and cyclists for better road sharing.

**Aspect Two (100 word limit)**

Improved route infrastructure for medium level cyclists

**Aspect Three (100 word limit)**

Eliminate barriers of trail connections

89. Has completing this application made you more aware of what your community needs to do to be bicycle friendly?

Yes

**If yes, describe (250 word limit)**

The need for the city and cycling advocacy groups to work together to make OKC a great place to bike.

90. Are you planning any new projects based on your completion of the Bicycle Friendly Community application?

Yes

**If yes, describe (250 word limit)**

Organize a Bike/Ped Advisory Committee, Emphasis on Cycling Education.

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We often get requests for model BFC applications from aspiring communities. Would you be willing to share your application?

Yes

**How did you hear about the BFC program?**

emails from LAB