



Bikeville E-Newsletter

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Volunteers Needed

Help Teach Bike Safety

Bikeville is assisting the Junior League of Greenville's "Home Run For Healthy Kids" event at Fluor Field by providing basic bicycle safety instruction to Greenville County School children during this annual 2-day event.

Bikeville participated last year and was rewarded by teaching hundreds of children the basics of bicycle safety such as helmet use and fitting, ABC Quick Check, hand signaling, and rules of the road/sidewalk.



We are seeking volunteers that can donate 2 or more hours of time on Thursday, October 20 from 9am-5pm

Email bikeville@greenvillesc.gov if you can donate any of your valuable time to this important cause.

Bicycle Master Plan

Following over a year of planning, public workshops, and stakeholder meetings, the City of Greenville's Bicycle Master Plan was adopted by City Council on Monday, September 26, 2011.



The Plan was led by bicycle and pedestrian planning experts [Alta Planning + Design](#) and is the result of City Council's input, an engaged Planning Advisory Committee, hundreds of survey respondents, bike count volunteers, and the attendees of the 2 public meetings. The adopted plan is a combination of thorough analysis, current best practices in bicycle planning, and a reflection of community participation, feedback, input, and recommendations.

A copy of the Meeting Minutes from the City Council meeting adopting the Plan are available [here](#) and to view a copy of the Resolution, [click here](#).

Stay tuned for announcements regarding the specific prioritizations and implementation strategies of the Plan.

Annual Bike Counts

On October 5 & 8, volunteers assisted Bikeville by conducting bike counts at locations across the City. We are currently processing the collected data and results should be available in November.

This is the second year of bike counts and the data we collect help track bicycling trends in Greenville, evaluate bicycling initiatives, and help prioritize and plan future facilities. [Click here](#) to view the results of last years bike counts.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO VOLUNTEERED!!!

Lights for Life

Bikeville volunteers recently hosted a Lights for Life event at John Wesley United Methodist Church in Downtown Greenville. Volunteers gave away and installed essential bike safety equipment such as front/rear bike lights and helmets to Greenville's at risk bicycling population.

These individuals typically have limited resources and generally ride out of necessity, and the Lights for Life initiative is focused on improving their visibility and safety. This initiative is supported and made possible by generous donations from the Greenville Spinners Safety Foundation, TTR Bikes, the Palmetto Cycling Coalition, and DHEC's Division of Injury and Violence Prevention.



Events and Notices

St. Francis Fall for Greenville

If you are planning to pedal Downtown to enjoy the festival this weekend, plan your [Bike Route](#) and [Bike Parking](#) with Bikeville's Google Maps.

Remember, bicycles are not allowed in the festival, so research the most convenient bike rack location for your destination and don't forget a lock.

Celebrate Footloose Month

Greenlink, Greenville's transit provider has launched a month long initiative during October designed to raise awareness of the joys and challenges of

walking, biking and riding transit in our community.

Greenlink will offer a free Park and Ride during St. Francis Fall for Greenville as part of Footloose. Park and Ride participants can drive, bike or walk to the parking garage at CU-ICAR and ride Greenlink for free to the downtown Transit Center, located on McBee Avenue.

The shuttle will operate at half hour intervals on Friday, October 14 from 5 p.m. - 11 p.m. and on Saturday, October 15 from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. No service is planned on Sunday.

Greenlink will also host Family Free Saturday on October 22, which will offer Greenville families an opportunity to ride Greenlink to the Transit Center to visit downtown attractions such as museums, parks and the Swamp Rabbit Trail.

There are a series of other exciting events scheduled for the month of October, which can be seen on the Footloose website [here](#).

By the way, the GTA Board has a vacancy and any interested applicants can get more information [here](#).

Winning Campaigns Training

In just a few weeks, SC will be the host of a three-day national session that educates and empowers advocates in developing bicycling and walking strategies to transform their communities. Led by the [Alliance for Biking & Walking](#) and hosted by the [Palmetto Cycling Coalition](#), this event is a great opportunity to get your biking and walking projects off the ground. More information and registration info is available [here](#).

Bikeville's E-newsletter

[Bikeville](#) is the City of Greenville's bicycle friendly community initiative. The goal of Bikeville is to increase ridership, encourage bicycle use, expand bicycling facilities, and provide useful educational resources to bicyclists and motorists.

The City of Greenville has been designated a Bronze "Bicycle Friendly Community" by the League of American Bicyclists and is actively pursuing several bicycling and greenway trail projects.

Our E-Newsletter provides updates and information about our ongoing efforts to encourage bicycling and walking for recreation and transportation. You've received this e-newsletter because you've either signed up on the City's Website, requested information in the past regarding bicycling or greenway projects or signed-up at one of our recent events.

The City uses this format to provide periodic updates about various bicycle infrastructure and greenway projects and events. Expect to receive one monthly update, unless we have breaking news! We look forward to sharing a lot of exciting information with you as we work to make the City of Greenville a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly community!

Tell your friends to sign-up for this bicycling and greenways e-newsletter and others the City has to offer by sharing [this link](#). To view this e-newsletter's archive, check out the links to previous editions on the left panel of the Bikeville or Trails and Greenways websites.

Visit www.bikeville.org or the [City's Trails & Greenways Website](#) for additional resources and information.

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