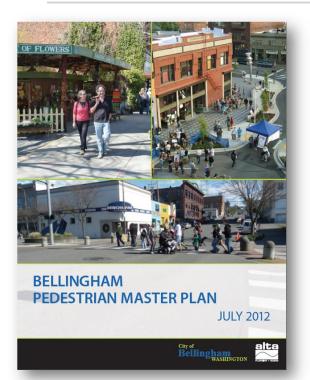
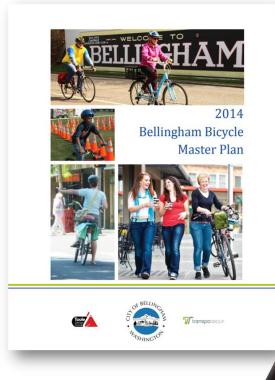
**Bellingham Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan Updates** 







#### **Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan Updates**

- **Citywide = 25 Neighborhoods + Urban Growth Areas** (outer edges of City)
- Identify and prioritize needs to improve walking and biking all around Bellingham
- Consider safety, access, and connectivity from home to your desired walking or biking destination
- **Enhance the existing 2012 Pedestrian Master Plan** and the 2014 Bicycle Master Plan
- Are designed to help achieve the goals of the "Aging Well Whatcom Blueprint"











# Aging Well Whatcom 2021 Older Adult Survey

Findings Published March 2022

#### Question #4:

If you could add or change one thing that is available for older adults and their families in Whatcom County, what would that be?

#### Responses

- 1) Transportation (13%)
- 7) Physical Activity (4%)
- 19) Walkability (2%)
- 24) Parks, Trails, Open Space (1%)
- 27) Shopping Access (1%)

	Number	Percent	
	of respondents who	of respondents who	
Theme	mentioned this theme	mentioned this theme	
1. Transportation	64	13%	
2. Housing	63	12%	
3. Healthcare	57	11%	
4. No response	42	8%	
5. Social & recreational activities	40	8%	
6. Nothing, don't know	31	6%	
7. Physical activity	21	4%	
8. Have what I/we need	20	4%	
9. Information, navigation of services	18	4%	
10. In-home caregivers, caregiving	17	3%	
11. Food, nutrition	17	3%	
12. Interaction, relationships, connection	17	3%	
13. Sr Center improvements	17	3%	
14. COVID response	16	3%	
15. Long term care	11	2%	
16. Other, unclear	11	2%	
17. Outreach	11	2%	
18. Technology assistance	11	2%	
19. Walkability	10	2%	
20. Social, political change	9	2%	
21. Home maintenance assistance	8	2%	
22. Finances	7	1%	
23. Intergenerational interactions	7	1%	
24. Parks, trails, open space	7	1%	
25. Educational, learning opportunities	6	1%	
26. Purpose, service, contribution	6	1%	
27. Shopping access	6	1%	
28. Adult day care, adult day health	5	1%	
29. Safety	5	1%	
30. Awareness, appreciation for older adults	4	1%	
31. Dementia awareness, support	4	1%	
32. Employment	4	1%	
33. Legal assistance	3	1%	

## **Primary Pedestrian Network**

- 260-mile Primary Pedestrian Network defined
  - Does NOT include all streets in City
- Did NOT include surrounding Bellingham Urban
  Growth Area (blue shading) ->
- ~ 162 miles (63%) network completion in 2022
- 354 sidewalks + 58 crossings = 412 projects
- Estimated cost to complete pedestrian network
  - $2012 = $256,534,375 \rightarrow 2020 = $333,494,688$ 
    - Does not include recent increased inflation
    - Does not include costs for ROW or mitigation
  - 127 (36%) sidewalk projects exceed \$1,000,000
    - Several projects cost more than \$3,000,000
  - Many projects in PMP are not good grant candidates



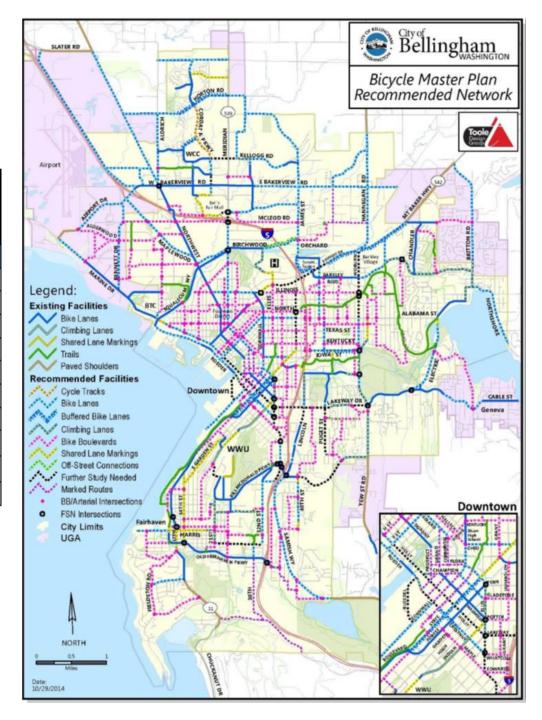
#### **Primary Bicycle Network**

Table 3.6: Existing and Recommended Facility Types for the Full Bicycle Network

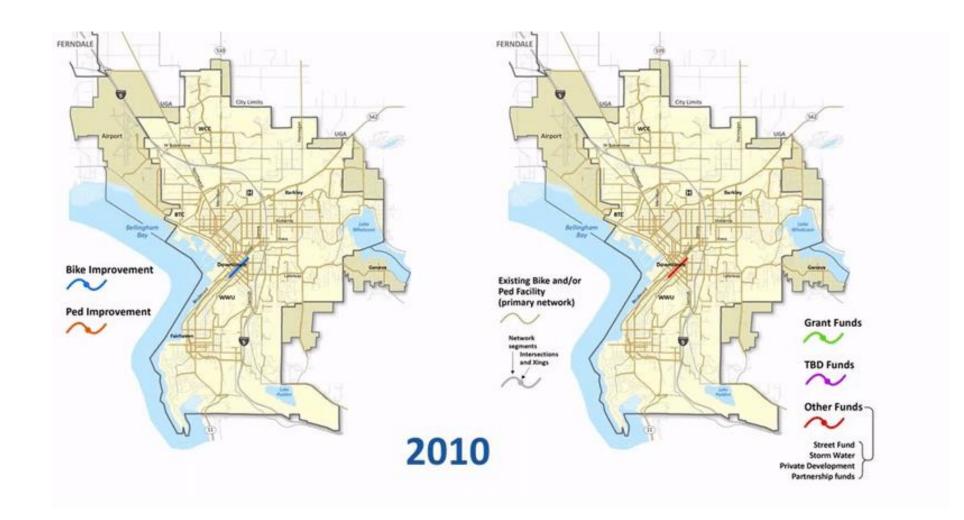
	Existing Network Miles	Percent	Total New Recommended Miles	Percent	Complete Network (Existing + New Recommended)	Percent
On-Street Facilities						
Bike Lanes	31.9*	82%	45.7*	34%	73.7*	44%
Buffered Bike Lanes	0	0%	4.0*	3%	4.0*	2%
Shared Lane Markings	0.4	1%	6.9	5%	7.3	4%
Climbing Lane	0.7	2%	7.9	6%	8.6	5%
Bicycle Boulevard	0	0%	52.1	39%	52.1	31%
Paved Shoulder	5.7	15%	0	0%	5.7	3%
Cycle Track	0	0%	0.8	<1%	0.8	<1%
Further Study	0	0%	9.4	7%	9.4	6%
Marked Route	0		7.8	6%	7.8	5%
TOTAL	38.7	100%	134.6*	100%	169.4*	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Almost 60 miles of bikeways constructed from 2014 thru 2021, increasing bicycle network from 38.7 to 98.0 miles = (60%) complete

All bicycle facility types listed above are defined and have local photos in <u>Bellingham Bikeways Illustrated</u> on City web site



Since the **2012 and 2014 Plans**, the City has expanded its bicycle and pedestrian networks significantly



#### Get Involved and Help Us Make Bellingham a Great Place to Walk and Bike

- Visit the <u>Engage Bellingham</u> project web page
- Sign up for email updates to stay informed
- Ask City staff a question or post a comment
- Answer questions in an online <u>Community Survey</u>
- Show us your suggestions and request sidewalk and crossing improvements on an <u>interactive web map</u>
- Attend a community event
- Participate in a neighborhood association meeting
- Submit a public comment to the <u>Transportation</u>
  <u>Commission</u> or to the <u>City Council</u>











#### Learn more and participate at:



# Engage Bellingham.org

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