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Community Survey: Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

ROCKFORD, IL — Region 1 Planning Council is asking the public to complete a survey to help update the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the Rockford Metropolitan Area. The survey will guide recommendations for improving sidewalks, intersections, and streets in order to make it easier for all residents, workers, and visitors to bike and walk around the region. Additionally, the survey will help identify focus areas and facilities that are comfortable and uncomfortable to use, why walking or bicycling may be used throughout the region, and what improvements should be prioritized.

The survey can be found in both English and Spanish at: <u>www.r1planning.org</u>

About the Plan

The purpose of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan is to promote a safe and efficient transportation network for people that provides a balanced multi-modal system minimizing costs and impacts to the taxpayer, society and the environment. The Plan will address the development of a region-wide system of on-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities to connect with existing shared use path facilities, existing and planned public transportation services and provide model development regulations and ordinances to promote and encourage bicycle- and pedestrian-friendly growth in the Rockford region.

Region 1 Planning Council, is a special-purpose, regional government agency. Regional councils are public organizations comprised of local elected officials that promote collaboration among local governments, working across the jurisdictional silos of states, counties, and municipalities.

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