

BIKE MAP

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COLUMBUS METRO BIKE MAP

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- River
- Stream
- Railroad
- County Boundary

THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

ANDREW J. GINTHER, MAYOR

The City of Columbus is committed to creating safe, livable neighborhoods rich with transportation alternatives and mobility options. Columbus is a Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community and works collaboratively across departments to continuously improve biking conditions.

The Department of Public Service plans and executes multi-modal transportation infrastructure including streets, sidewalks, bikeways, parking and traffic calming.

The Recreation and Parks Department works to connect communities to Central Ohio Greenway trails and is responsible for the CoGo Bike Share system in Columbus.

And Columbus Public Health supports all of this vital work with education and encouragement programs such as the Safe Routes to School, Share the Road, Bike Friendly Businesses, and Columbus Art Rides.

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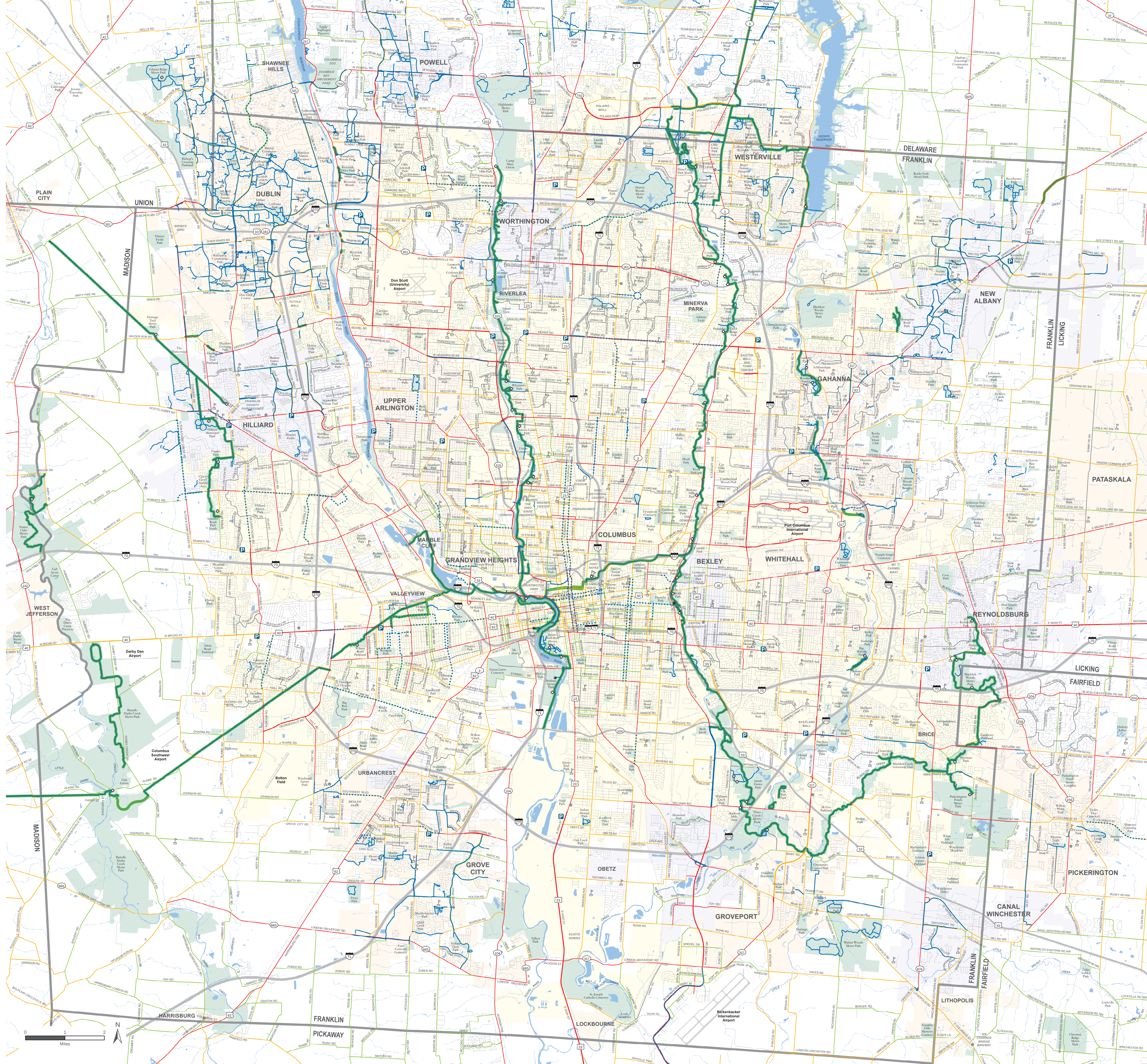




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The City of Columbus and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission are excited to release the fifth edition of the Columbus Metro Bike Map.

Our staffs share a passion for bicycling - as a mode of transportation, for recreation, and as a way of improving our own health and the air quality of our region. We work with many other partners, including residents and businesses, to make the Columbus region a safe and enjoyable place for bike riding. We hope to see you out on two wheels on the roads and trails.

Safe cycling!

RESOURCES

PLANS AND MAPS

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)
www.morpc.org
Find regional bikeway maps and information from our various member governments.
City of Columbus
www.columbus.gov/bike
Columbus Recreation and Parks
www.parks.columbus.gov
Central Ohio Greenways
www.centralohiogreenways.com
Find off road trails to ride.
Metro Parks
www.metroparks.net
Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)
www.dot.state.oh.us/bike
Ohio-to-Erie Trail
www.ohioerietrail.org
Rails to Trails Conservancy
www.railstotrails.org

HELPING YOU RIDE

COTA
www.cota.com
Take your bike with you on the bus.
League of American Bicyclists
www.bikeleague.org
Get bicycle education/safety training offered by League Certified Instructors.

BICYCLE ORGANIZATIONS

Columbus Outdoor Pursuits
www.outdoor-pursuits.org
Yay Bikes!
www.yaybikes.com
Ohio Bicycle Federation
www.ohiobike.org

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Paving the Way
www.pavingtheway.org
Road construction and road safety information in and around Columbus.
OHGO
www.ohgo.com
Road conditions, traffic, construction, and other activity on state maintained roadways.

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The information shown on this map is compiled from various sources available to us which we believe to be reliable. Visit apps.morpc.org/bikemap for recent updates to the bike map.

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FIND A BETTER WAY TO WORK

MORPC's RideSolutions program promotes alternatives to driving alone via carpools, vanpools, transit, walking, and cycling to work. RideSolutions helps you, the community, and the environment by saving commuters on fuel costs, reducing congestion in our region, and improving our environment.

RIDESOLUTIONS' SAFETY NET FOR BIKE COMMUTERS

As a bike commuter, have you ever wondered, "How will I get home quickly and safely in case of a home emergency, illness, or bad weather?"

RIDESOLUTIONS CAN HELP!

Please call MORPC's RideSolutions at 1.888.742.RIDE or email ridesolutions@morpc.org to learn more about our free service.

BIKE & BUS



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LOAD YOUR BIKE

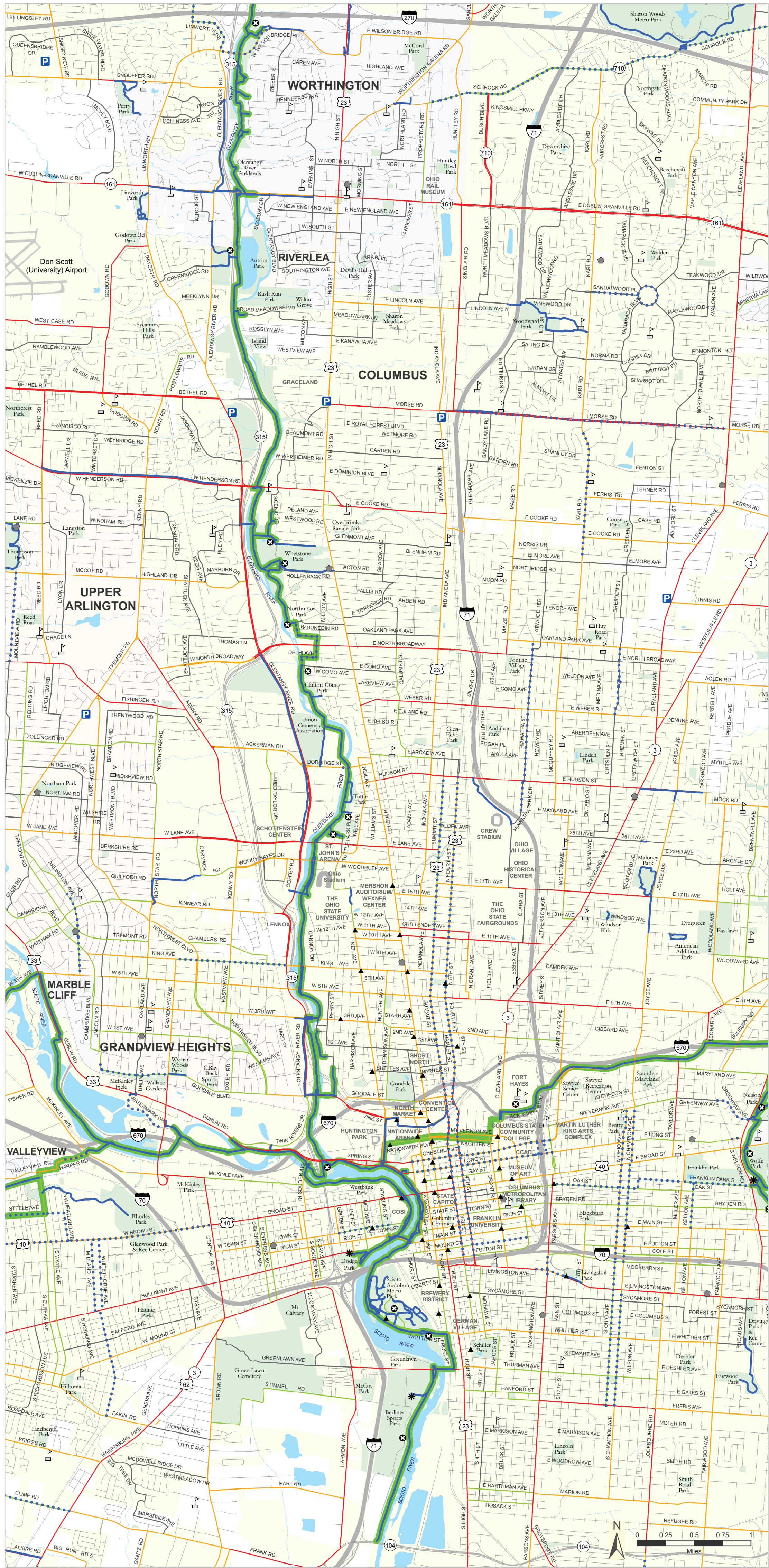
- Get ready by removing all loose items.
- Give the driver a signal that you want to load your bike. When the bus stops, begin to load your bike. Always load from the curb side.
- Lock and go by squeezing the handle on the bike rack to release the latch and lower the rack. Lift your bike onto the rack and position the bike into the rack's wheel wells. Make sure your front tire is on the same end as the support arm. Raise and pull the support arm up and over the bike's front tire.

UNLOAD YOUR BIKE

- Remind the driver that you need to unload your bike when you get close to your stop.
- Release and go by raising the support arm off the front tire and lowering it out of the way. Lift your bike out of the rack. If yours was the only bike on the rack, return the rack to the upright and locked position. Signal the bus driver that you have removed your bike.

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CENTRAL COLUMBUS



BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS



GENERAL BIKE SAFETY



Wear a helmet.



Be visible: use front and back lights.



Check tires and brakes regularly.



Dress to be seen.



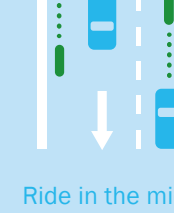
Ride predictably.



Obey traffic signals and signs.



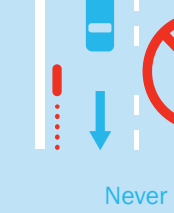
KNOW YOUR ROAD POSITION



Ride in the middle of a narrow lane.



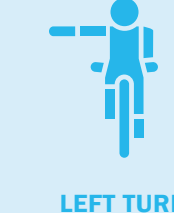
Keep your distance from parked cars 4ft or more and ride at least 3ft from the curb.



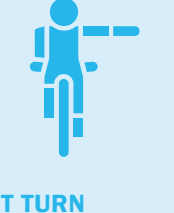
Never ride against traffic and don't pass on the right.



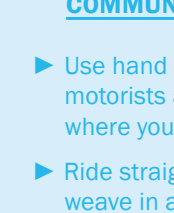
ENSURE GOOD ROAD COMMUNICATIONS



LEFT TURN
Hold your left arm out.



RIGHT TURN
Hold your right arm out or raise your left arm.



STOP
Hold your left arm down.

COMMUNICATE CLEARLY

- Use hand signals to show motorists and pedestrians where you intend to go next.
- Ride straight and don't weave in and out of parked cars.
- Make eye contact with drivers.



APPROACHING INTERSECTIONS



CHOOSE YOUR LANE
Choose your lane based on where you want to be after the intersection.



RIDING RIGHT
Position yourself in the right-most lane that goes in the direction of your destination.



USE HAND SIGNALS
Scan behind you before you change lanes.



AVOID RIDING ON SIDEWALKS



Riding on sidewalks is illegal in the City of Columbus for anyone other than small children.



Riding on the sidewalk puts you at higher risk of being hit by a car.



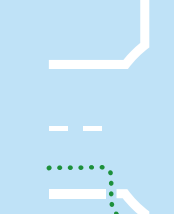
Walk your bicycle if you choose to use the sidewalk.



ROUNDABOUTS



A Bicyclists can ride through a roundabout. Take the lane - ride in the center of the lane.



B Walk your bicycle on the sidewalk.

MAKE YOUR CHOICE!

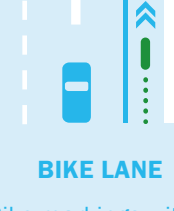
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SHARED LANE MARKINGS



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Sharrows without a separation line: be aware of other traffic.



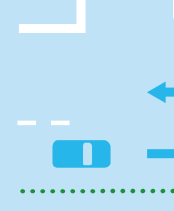
BIKE LANE
Bike markings with a solid separation line: bicyclists only.

WHAT ARE SHARROWS?

Sharrows are road markings that tell motorists and bicyclists that they both belong in the lane.



QUEUE BOX



1 Enter the intersection on a green light and wait in the queue box. Orient your bicycle to your new direction.



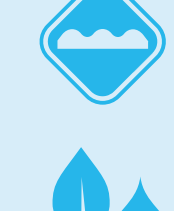
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HOW TO USE A QUEUE BOX

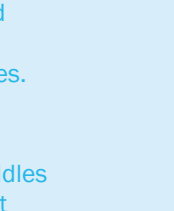
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HIDDEN HAZARDS



Watch the road for debris and uneven surfaces.



Be wary of puddles and leaves that may hide potholes.

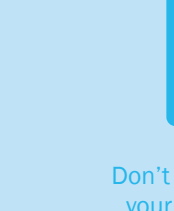


Cross railroad tracks at a right angle.

Avoid riding on grates and gutter pans, particularly when they are wet.



BAD HABITS



Don't text or use your phone or other electronic devices while riding.



Don't wear headphones.



Don't run red lights.

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