

# Maryland Department of Transportation Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program

## 2021 Annual Report

The Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program provides grant support for a wide range of bicycle network development activities. The program supports projects that maximize bicycle access, fill missing links in the state's bicycle network, and enhance last-mile connections to work, school, shopping, and transit. The Bikeways Program seeks to leverage past investments in bicycle facilities, complement existing state, local, and federal programs, and promote biking as a fun, healthy, and safe transportation mode.

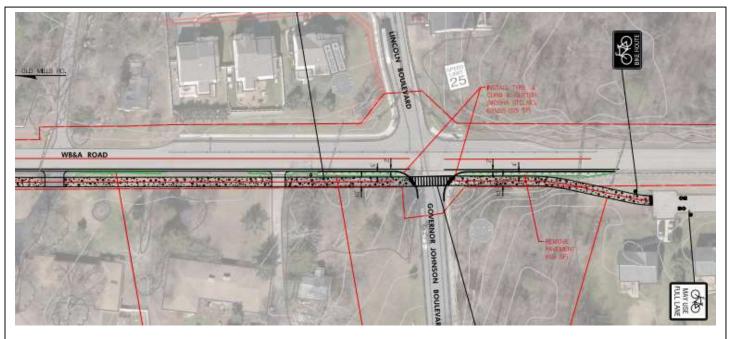
The Bikeways Program is a competitive, reimbursement-based grant program funded through the Maryland Transportation Trust Fund. The program is open to local government agencies and other eligible entities for the design and construction of transportation infrastructure to support safe bicycle travel. The Bikeways Program is not intended to be used for the creation of local bicycle master plans, but has supported a broad range of bicycle projects from feasibility studies and preliminary design to more complex construction projects, like the Anacostia River Trail. The program has been particularly successful in supporting local jurisdictions in the development of initial project design plans, to create a pipeline of prioritized projects that can attract additional funding sources, such as the Transportation Alternatives Program.



The Northwest Salisbury Bikeways, Phase 1 constructed protected bike lanes and traffic calming to Isabella Street and Lake Street

#### **Completed Projects**

The Bikeways Program requires that design and minor retrofit projects be completed within two years, and that construction projects be completed within three years. The number of projects being completed in any given year varies depending on the previous years' awards and project schedules. The Bikeways Program was developed to support local



Conceptual design for a shared-use path between the BWI Trail and Odenton Town Center Trails in Anne Arundel County.

jurisdictions in completing preliminary project development, including feasibility studies and conceptual design. While the Bikeways Program funds projects for design and construction, most Bikeways projects will have additional design phases prior to construction. Several projects experienced delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic which created significant barriers for public outreach. Grant extensions are provided to these projects for completion and noted in the <u>ON-GOING PROJECTS section</u>.

The following grant projects were completed in 2021.

| County                    | Grantee  | Project Title  | Project Description   | Project Type      | Award<br>Total* |
|---------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Anne<br>Arundel<br>County | Anne Arundel<br>County Office of<br>Transportation | BWI to Odenton<br>Connector                          | Feasibility study for a bicycle<br>and pedestrian connection<br>between the WB&A<br>Trail/Odenton Town Center and<br>the BWI Trail.   | Design            | \$80,000        |
| Anne<br>Arundel<br>County | Anne Arundel<br>County Office of<br>Transportation | Poplar Trail<br>Extension to<br>South Shore<br>Trail | Feasibility study and design for<br>extending the western<br>terminus of the Poplar Tail<br>from Annapolis to South Shore<br>Trail.   | Design            | \$80,000        |
| Baltimore<br>City         | Baltimore City<br>Department of<br>Transportation  | Melrose Avenue<br>Bicycle<br>Boulevard               | Bicycle boulevard installation<br>along Melrose Ave between<br>Bellona Ave and Roland Ave;<br>construction of 5' sidewalk and<br>repaving between Roland and<br>W. Melrose ped/bike bridge;<br>improved crossing at N. Charles<br>St. | Minor<br>Retrofit | \$40,216        |

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|------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Baltimore<br>City            | Baltimore City<br>Department of<br>Transportation             | Eutaw<br>Street/Place<br>Separated Bike<br>Lane Design           | 60% and Final Design of<br>separated bike lanes and<br>signage on Eutaw Street/Eutaw<br>Place between Centre Street in<br>midtown Baltimore and Druid<br>Park Lake Drive.   | Design            | \$68,150        |
| Baltimore<br>County          | Baltimore County<br>Department of<br>Public Works             | Bloomsbury<br>Crossing   | Final design of Short Line Trail<br>Bloomsbury Crossing   | Design            | \$43,972        |
| Frederick<br>County          | Frederick County<br>Division of<br>Planning and<br>Permitting | Frederick and<br>Pennsylvania<br>Line Railroad<br>Trail, Phase 1 | Design the first phase of a 10-<br>foot-wide asphalt rails-with-<br>trails project from Monocacy<br>Boulevard in Frederick to<br>Fountain Rock Park in<br>Walkersville. Frederick County<br>and MDOT coordinated on this<br>project to help establish design<br>precedence for future rail-with-<br>trail projects. | Design            | \$208,000       |
| Prince<br>George's<br>County | City of College<br>Park                                       | Rhode Island<br>Avenue<br>Protected Bike<br>Lanes                | The final design of protected<br>bike lanes on Rhode Island<br>Avenue between Muskogee<br>Street  | Design            | \$109,876       |
| Somerset<br>County           | Somerset County<br>Recreation and<br>Parks                    | Route 413 Hiker<br>Biker Trail                                   | Construct a 4.5-mile hiker-biker<br>trail along Route 413 between<br>Crisfield and Marion Station.  | Construction      | \$798,403       |
| Wicomico<br>County           | City of Salisbury   | Northwest<br>Salisbury, Phase<br>1                               | Constructed protected bike<br>lanes and traffic calming along<br>Isabela Avenue and Lake<br>Streets   | Minor<br>Retrofit | \$100,000       |



Somerset County completed the MD 413 Hiker Biker Trail construction, a 4.5 mile shared-use path between Crisfield and Marion Station

### **Awarded Projects**

For the FY 2022 grant cycle, MDOT awarded 16 Bikeways projects totaling \$3.4 million. Project awards were made across the state, and include funding for two construction, four minor retrofit and 10 design projects. Most of this year's awards address major low-traffic-stress gaps in the state's bicycle network.

| County              | Grantee   | Project Title  | Project Type | Award Amount |
|---------------------|---|--|--------------|--------------|
| City of Annapolis   | Annapolis Department of Planning & Zoning         | Poplar Trail Extension                                   | Design       | \$224,000    |
| Anne Arundel County | Anne Arundel County<br>Office of Transportation   | BWI to Odenton Shared<br>Use Path Gaps                   | Design       | \$376,000    |
| Allegany County     | Town of Luke                                      | Town of Luke Bikeway                                     | Design       | \$7,530      |
| Baltimore County    | Baltimore County<br>Department of Public<br>Works | Torrey C. Brown<br>(NCR)/Jones Falls Trail<br>Connection | Design       | \$120,000    |
| City of Baltimore   | Baltimore City<br>Department of<br>Transportation | Baltimore City Rapid<br>Enhancement Plan                 | Construction | \$326,000    |
| Charles County      | Town of La Plata                                  | La Plata/Radio Station<br>Road Shared Use Path           | Design       | \$328,000    |
| Frederick County    | City of Frederick                                 | East Street Rails with<br>Trails Phase 4                 | Construction | \$200,000    |

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|------------------------|---|---|-------------------|--------------|
| Frederick County       | Maryland Transit<br>Administration  | Bikeways to Battlefields:<br>Monocacy MARC Shared-<br>use Path  | Design            | \$80,000     |
| Harford County         | Harford County  | Harford Community<br>College (HCC) Connector<br>Bike Path Study | Design            | \$78,137     |
| Harford County         | Ma Pa Heritage Trail<br>Foundation  | Bike Repair Stations and Signs                                  | Minor<br>Retrofit | \$1,472      |
| Howard County          | Howard County Office of<br>Transportation                                     | MD 32 Alternate Bike<br>Route/Clarksville Pike<br>Streetscape   | Design            | \$1,100,000  |
| Montgomery County      | Montgomery County<br>Department of<br>Transportation                          | Bethesda Trolley<br>Trail/North Bethesda<br>(White Flint)       | Design            | \$52,000     |
| Montgomery County      | City of Takoma Park   | New Avenue Bikeway<br>Final Design Plans<br>(Section B)         | Design            | \$254,400    |
| Prince George's County | City of College Park  | Shared Micromobility<br>Station Improvements                    | Minor<br>Retrofit | \$54,080     |
| Prince George's County | Prince George's County<br>Department of Public<br>Works and<br>Transportation | 2-Position Bike Racks on<br>Paratransit Vehicles                | Minor<br>Retrofit | \$80,625     |
| Wicomico County        | City of Salisbury   | Northwest Bikeways,<br>Phase 2a                                 | Minor<br>Retrofit | \$100,000    |
| FY22 AWARD TOTAL       |   |   |                   | \$3.382.244  |
| Construction           | ·   | \$326,000   |                   |              |
| Minor Retrofit         |   |   |                   | \$236,177    |
| Design                 |   |   |                   | \$2,820,067  |



Chestertown is extending the Gilchrest Rail Trail from Morgnec Road with funding from an FY21 Bikeways award. The project is scheduled for completion in Summer 2022.

### Status of Ongoing Bikeways Projects

In addition to the 16 FY22 awards, there are 26 other active Bikeways projects across the state. Grant recipients are required to submit quarterly reports on their projects. The below describes each project's status as of December 2021.

- The Town of Williamsport is constructing bicycle improvements along the Potomac and Conococheague Streets.
- The City of Annapolis is conducting a study of key gaps in the city's bike network and beginning to design new low stress linkages.
- Baltimore City continues the Wolfe Street/Washington Streets cycletrack feasibility study and the Baltimore Greenway Trail design between the Gwynns Falls and Herring Run Trails. Baltimore City is also in the process of installing new automated bicycle counters.
- Anne Arundel County is starting final design of the BWI Trail Spur Extension to Nursery Road Light Rail study and finishing the design of the Broadneck Peninsula Trail (Phase 1B).
- Calvert County is studying potential bikeway alignments for the Dunkirk and Prince Frederick Town Centers.
- **St. Mary's County** is nearing completion of the Three Notch Trail's final design between California and MD 245. Trail construction will begin after design is complete.
- The Town of Chestertown is continuing construction on Gilchrest Rail Trail and installing a new crossing on Morgnec Road.
- **The Department of Natural Resources** is accessing the condition of two former railroad bridges along the Frederick Douglas Rail Trail in Talbot County.
- The City of Salisbury is completing design for Phase 1 of the city's rail trail and new bicycle facilities along W. College Avenue.
- **Somerset County** began design for Phase Two of the MD 413 Hiker Biker Trail extending the trail from Marion Station to Westover.
- The City of Frederick is beginning the design for an extension to the Hagerstown and Frederick Trail northward from Carroll Creek.

- **Baltimore County** is constructing the Catonsville Short Line Trail Bloomsbury Road Crossing. This construction project is a continuation of the design grant awarded in FY20.
- **Charles County** is progressing on the Indian Head Rail Trail Feasibility Study. When complete, this project will provide options for a shared-use path connections from the Indian Head Rail Trail to the Three Notch Trail.
- Howard County's Dobbin Road Pathway, Phase 2 project is developing design plans for shared-use path between McGraw Road and MD 175 (Rouse Parkway). The North Laurel Connections project will begin construction to provide a bicycle route between Savage and US Route 1 in Laurel.
- **Montgomery County** is completing a design for bikeway improvements from Cheltenham Drive to Pearl Street in Bethesda. Automated bicycle counters are also being installed in bicycle and pedestrian priority areas of the county.
- **The Town of Ocean City** is evaluating how to address gaps in the town's bicycle network. Semi-final design plans will be completed in the coming year.
- The Town of Snow Hill is conducting a bikeway feasibility study to connect parks, schools and businesses.
- **The Friends of the Patapsco Valley State Park,** in coordination with the Baltimore County Department of Public Works is working to install bike improvements on the River Road Corridor.
- The **City of Takoma Park**'s New Hampshire Ave Bikeways continues to move forward in phases. Section A's semifinal design completed this year and was awarded for final design. Section B's semi-final design is scheduled for completion in 2023.
- The Hancock Bikeways Signage and Promotion minor retrofit project was cancelled at the request of the Town.

### **Bikeways Program Funding Summary**

Since the Bikeways Program's inception in 2011, more than \$30 million have been awarded to 194 projects for the design and construction of bicycle transportation projects across Maryland. All Bikeways funding is derived from the State of Maryland's Transportation Trust Fund.

| Year                       | Design<br>Awards | Construction<br>Awards | Minor Retrofit<br>Awards | Total      |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| FY2012                     | 400,000          | 180,000                | 624,485                  | 1,204,485  |
| Anacostia Riverwalk Trail* | -                | 3,484,000              | -                        | 3,484,000  |
| FY2013                     | 1,150,000        | 790,180                | 741,550                  | 2,682,230  |
| FY2014                     | 121,000          | 2,314,406              | 794,685                  | 3,230,091  |
| FY2015                     | 640,000          | 1,338,760              | 600,541                  | 2,579,301  |
| FY2016                     | 574,000          | 1,785,120              | 415,568                  | 2,774,688  |
| FY2017                     | 659,640          | 581,036                | 726,068                  | 1,966,744  |
| FY2018                     | 600,000          | 1,257,002              | 217,512                  | 2,074,514  |
| FY2019                     | 1,255,542        | 740,703                | -                        | 1,996,245  |
| FY2020                     | 1,105,000        | 800,000                | 100,000                  | 2,000,000  |
| FY2021                     | 2,410,468        | 1,152,853              | 223,015                  | 3,786,337  |
| FY2022                     | 2,820,067        | 326,000                | 236,177                  | 2,968,577  |
| Total FY2012 – FY2022      | 11,384,147       | 14,544,060             | 4,823,504                | 30,747,212 |

\* Construction project funded by the Maryland Bikeways Program and an FY2012 TIGER Grant from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Visit the MDOT Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program online for additional information.

Visit the Maryland Bikeways Program Interactive Map to learn about specific projects.