

Each year, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) makes available training opportunities that support the creation of walkable and bikable communities. This training is made available to not only MDOT staff but also county and local agency planners, engineers and other community officials. Training is typically offered for free, but does require a certain level of commitment of staff and resources from our partnering host community.



# Training Opportunities

## for Supporting Walkable and Bikable Communities



For more information, or to express interest on any of the training opportunities for fiscal year 2012, please complete and return the form inside this brochure, or contact Cindy Krupp at 517-335-2923 or [kruppc@michigan.gov](mailto:kruppc@michigan.gov).  
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The following list outlines the courses that have been available in past years.

### **Designing Pedestrian Facilities for Accessibility – ADA Training**

**Length:** 8 Hours

**Class size:** 30-35 participants

**Intended Audience:** Planners, Engineers, Construction Technicians and Community Officials

Learn about legal policies, sidewalk design, crossings, intersections, curb ramp construction (new and retrofits), pedestrian signals, maintenance and temporary traffic control. Includes a field exercise using wheelchairs to experience slopes, cross-slopes and ramps.

### **On-Road Bicycle Facilities “Training Wheels”**

**Length:** 5-6 hours

**Class size:** 18-25 participants

**Intended Audience:** Engineers, Planners and Community Officials

Experience travelling on local streets from a “handlebar perspective.” This training helps participants better understand the why, where, and how to add on-road bike facilities. Class begins with an overview of AASHTO’s Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, followed by an on-road bike tour designed to experience a variety of common situations. The on-road session will accommodate riders of all comfort levels.

### **Community “Walkability Audit”**

**Length:** 5 hours

**Class size:** 15-25 participants

**Intended Audience:** Planners, Engineers, Community Leaders and Business Owners

A “hands-on” evaluation of the walking conditions within an urban neighborhood, highlighting the positive and negative walking conditions, as well as other strengths and weaknesses. The walk is followed by a presentation that includes broad design improvement recommendations that can improve the walkability and livability of the area under study.

### **Designing Streets for Pedestrian Safety**

**Length:** 2 days

**Class size:** 30-35 participants

**Intended Audience:** Engineers, Planners, Safety Professionals and Community Leaders

A “hands-on” professional training experience to assist community safety professionals take practical steps in reducing pedestrian crashes. The workshop includes a classroom seminar on planning, design, and engineering strategies, as well as a field observation and application at selected local roadway corridors. The knowledge to be gained will help attendees achieve the fundamental goal of Michigan’s Strategic Highways Safety Plan to reduce fatalities on Michigan roadways.

**I am interested in the following training(s) for my community:**

- Designing Pedestrian Facilities for Accessibility – ADA Training
- On-Road Bicycle Facilities “Training Wheels”
- Community “Walkability Audit”
- Designing Streets for Pedestrian Safety
- Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Host communities are asked to help coordinate with consultants and MDOT staff; assist in locating a suitable facility for the classes; may provide snacks, refreshments and/or lunches; and assist with printing course materials. They also are key in identifying and inviting the right stakeholders to the training.

**Due date March 23, 2012**  
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