How Do Protected Bike Lanes Improve My Community?



WHAT IS A PROTECTED BIKE LANE?

A protected bike lane is a stretch of road protected from cars, for bikes and scooters only - like sidewalks for bikes. Protected bike lanes have three main benefits that improve businesses' bottom line and residents' quality of life:

1. BOOSTS LOCAL BUSINESSES

After adding protected bike lanes, these cities saw a boost to local economies:

Salt Lake City, Broadway Along the project, sales rose 8.8%¹

Los Angeles, Venice Blvd, Mar Vista

- Commercial real estate sales prices increased 240%
- Retail vacancies dropped 44%²





New York City, 8th and 9th Avenues, Manhattan Up to 49% increase in retail sales³

Indianapolis Cultural Trail

- Over half of businesses report more customers, and 48% report more revenue
- In neighborhoods along the trail, property values increased by **\$1 billion**⁴

2. MORE BIKE RIDING FOR A GREENER CITY

More people ride when cities build protected bike lanes⁵

Studies from cities across North America show that adding protected bike lanes significantly increases bike ridership, with **rates ranging from 21% to 171%. More people choosing to bike instead of drive reduces traffic and makes cities greener!**





3. IMPROVES SAFETY FOR EVERYONE

Dedicated space for walkers, bikers, and drivers helps cities improve road safety. A multi-year study on 12 cities found that protected bike lanes reduced traffic deaths and serious injuries by almost half for everyone on the road, **a major safety benefit for all: bikers, walkers, and drivers too**⁶



Fewer collisions with protected bike lanes⁷



Fewer deaths with protected bike lanes⁸

50%

Fewer injuries with protected bike lanes⁹



Lower risk of injury for people on bikes¹⁰

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