



Pedestrian and Bicyclist Planning Goals

The Hanover Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee has adopted the following Vision Statement, Mission and Goals for Hanover:

Vision:

To develop an enlightened public policy and community support that encourages walking and cycling.

Mission:

The Hanover Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee is dedicated to educating and influencing public policy for the safe accommodation of cycling and walking for transportation, commuting, recreation, individual and environmental health. The Committee informs and advises the Town on matters of pedestrian and cyclist safety and road design consistent with the values and objectives expressed in the Town of Hanover Master Plan.

Hanover Pedestrian and Cyclist Goals:

1. Increase the level of walking and bicycling in Hanover:
 - a. Infrastructure: Build infrastructure that encourages walking and bicycling; that ensures pedestrian and cyclist safety, convenience, and accessibility; and provides for enjoyable travel.
 - b. Connectivity: Create links for pedestrians and cyclists on streets and other places, which connect neighborhoods, schools, shopping, places of employment, transit, and public spaces.
 - c. Access: Prioritize routes to school and transit that enable pedestrians and cyclists to travel safely and freely.
 - d. Streetscapes and Land Use: Create an environment using landscaping, public spaces and amenities that encourages pedestrian and cyclists travel; building a sense of community; complements neighborhoods and commercial districts; and reduces impact on air and water resources.
 - e. Mobility Alternatives: Adopt programs to increase the use of transit, ridesharing and other forms of mobility to help promote pedestrian and cyclist activity.
2. Integrate pedestrian and cyclist considerations into all projects, policies and the planning processes.
3. Inform and educate residents of the benefits of walking and cycling.
4. Develop a comprehensive pedestrian and cyclist plan based on the 'Five E's' as follows: Education, Engineering, Encouragement, Enforcement, and Evaluation.
5. Strive to achieve the standards of the League of American Bicyclists to be designated a *Bicycle Friendly Community* and the Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center standards to be a *Walk Friendly Community*.

