

# City of Ann Arbor BIKEWAY SYSTEM

## General Information

### Bicycle Registration

If you live in the City of Ann Arbor and are over 12 years old, you are required to register your bike. It is recommended that children's bikes be registered also; it is the best way to aid in the recovery of a lost or stolen bicycle. Registration can be done at the City Clerk's Office on the 2nd floor of the Lacom Municipal Building (City Hall), 100 N. Fifth Ave. The City Clerk's phone number is (734) 994-2725. The cost is \$6.50 per bicycle.

### Bicycle Parking

Where available, please use bicycle hoops and racks for parking your bike. The locations of these racks ensure adequate parking space for your bike while still allowing room for pedestrian traffic. The getDowntown Program has bicycle lockers available for yearly rental. Contact the getDowntown Program Director at (734) 214-0100 for more information.

### Traffic Signal Detector Loops

The City of Ann Arbor has started a program of installing bicycle detector loops at all new signalized intersections in which car detectors are being installed. In addition, existing car detector loops are upgraded for bicycle detection when repair is needed. For problems with detection contact the Signal Division at (734) 994-1618.

### Sensitive Areas

Due to the sensitive nature of the vegetation and animal habitats in Argo, Bird Hills, Forest and Furstenberg Nature Areas, these areas are closed to bicycles.

## Commuting Options

### Ann Arbor Transportation Authority (AATA)

AATA, also known as The Ride, provides bus service for Ann Arbor and the surrounding area. You can combine your bike and bus commute because all AATA buses are equipped with bike racks - and your bike rides free! In addition, AATA has 5 park and ride lots where parking is free. AATA - TheRide.....(734) 996-0400 [www.theride.org](http://www.theride.org)

### getDowntown

The getDowntown Program works with downtown businesses and their employees to promote commuting options such as biking, walking, riding the bus, and sharing a ride to work. getDowntown.....(734) 214-0100 [www.getdowntown.org](http://www.getdowntown.org)

### City of Ann Arbor

The Public Services and Parks and Recreation Services Divisions are working to improve the non-motorized transportation network including bicycle lanes and paths. Public Services.....(734) 994-2744 Parks and Recreation.....(734) 994-2780

## Riding Information

### Share the Road



The shared use symbol pictured below indicates to both motorists and cyclists that cars and bikes should share the roadway. Shared use symbols are often placed on the roadway when there isn't space available to create a separate bike lane for cyclists.

This map is intended to show the best available routes. Routes shown are based on a consideration of road surface, traffic (volume and speed), shoulder width, linkage and other factors. No assurance of safety or legal right-of-way is implied. Use of routes on these maps is at the user's own risk.

This map was produced by the City of Ann Arbor in cooperation with the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission.

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### Riding Tips

- If you encounter an obstacle while in a bicycle lane, slow down, signal, and once you have the attention of the driver behind you, move into the car travel lane.
- Never pass a bus on the right as you may collide with passengers getting off or on the bus.
- Please be respectful of others. If you're riding on a sidewalk and wish to pass a pedestrian or other cyclist, slow down and give an audible warning such as "on your left" before passing, then pass them on their left. Remember, pedestrians have the right-of-way.
- When stopping on a shared use path, move off the path so as not to block traffic.
- Respect property adjacent to the bikeway.
- Ride in a straight line. When the road is too narrow for a car to pass you safely, ride in the middle of the lane. If cars are backing up behind you, be courteous and pull over to let them pass.

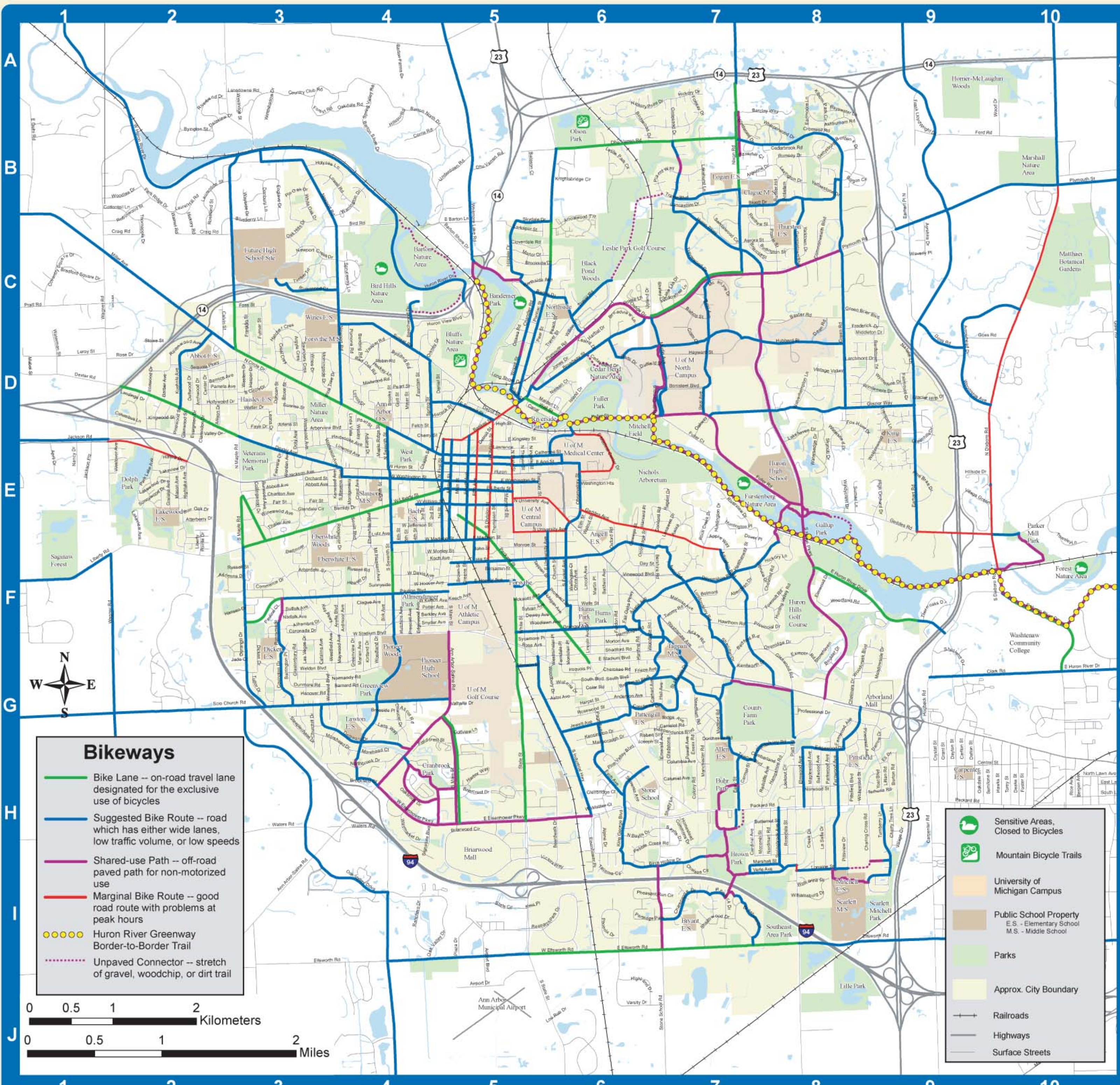
## Map Partially Funded By:

**Ann Arbor Cyclery**  
1224 Packard Rd  
(734) 761-2749

**Two Wheel Tango**  
3162 Packard Rd. (734) 528-3030  
323 E. Hoover (734) 769-8401

**Great Lakes Cycling & Fitness**  
2107 West Stadium Blvd.  
(734) 668-6484 or (888) 673-0448

**Light Foundation**  
560 South Main Street  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104



	Sensitive Areas, Closed to Bicycles
	Mountain Bicycle Trails
	University of Michigan Campus
	Public School Property E.S. - Elementary School M.S. - Middle School
	Parks
	Approx. City Boundary
	Railroads
	Highways
	Surface Streets

### Bikeways

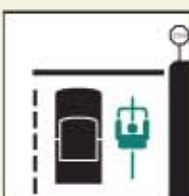
- Bike Lane -- on-road travel lane designated for the exclusive use of bicycles
- Suggested Bike Route -- road which has either wide lanes, low traffic volume, or low speeds
- Shared-use Path -- off-road paved path for non-motorized use
- Marginal Bike Route -- good road route with problems at peak hours
- Huron River Greenway Border-to-Border Trail
- Unpaved Connector -- stretch of gravel, woodchip, or dirt trail



**Bicycle Safety**



**Always Wear a Helmet**  
Helmets should be worn over the forehead above the eyebrows, not tilted back and fit snugly so they do not move around when riding.



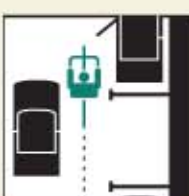
**Obey Traffic Signs & Signals**  
Bicycles are vehicles, and bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists. Obey traffic laws so others on the road know what to expect from you.



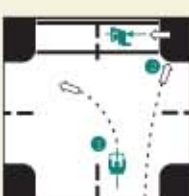
**Never Ride Against Traffic**  
Motorists aren't looking for bicyclists riding on the wrong side of the road. State law and common sense require bicyclists to ride with the flow of traffic.



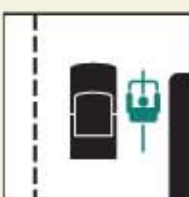
**Use Hand Signals**  
Hand signals to inform motorists and pedestrians of your intentions. Michigan State law requires their use.



**Ride In A Straight Line**  
Also, ride at least a car door's width from parked cars, you will be more visible and cars turning right will be less likely to cut you off.



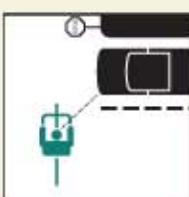
**Choose The Best Way To Turn Left - There Are 2**  
(1) Like a car; signal, move into the left turn lane and turn left.  
(2) Like a pedestrian; ride straight to the far-side crosswalk. Walk your bike across.



**Be Alert**  
Scan the road behind you. Learn to look back over your shoulder without swerving. Keep your ears available; don't use headphones or cell phones while biking.



**Go Slow On Sidewalks**  
Keep right, except to pass. When passing, first look back to see if someone is coming, give an audible signal to the person you're passing and then pass them on their left.



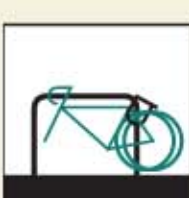
**Watch For Cars Pulling Out**  
Assume that motorists don't see you. Make eye contact with the driver to assure your safety before proceeding in front of the vehicle.



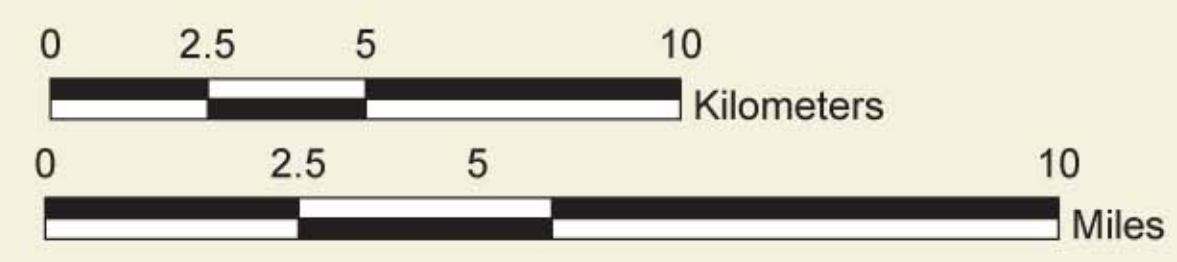
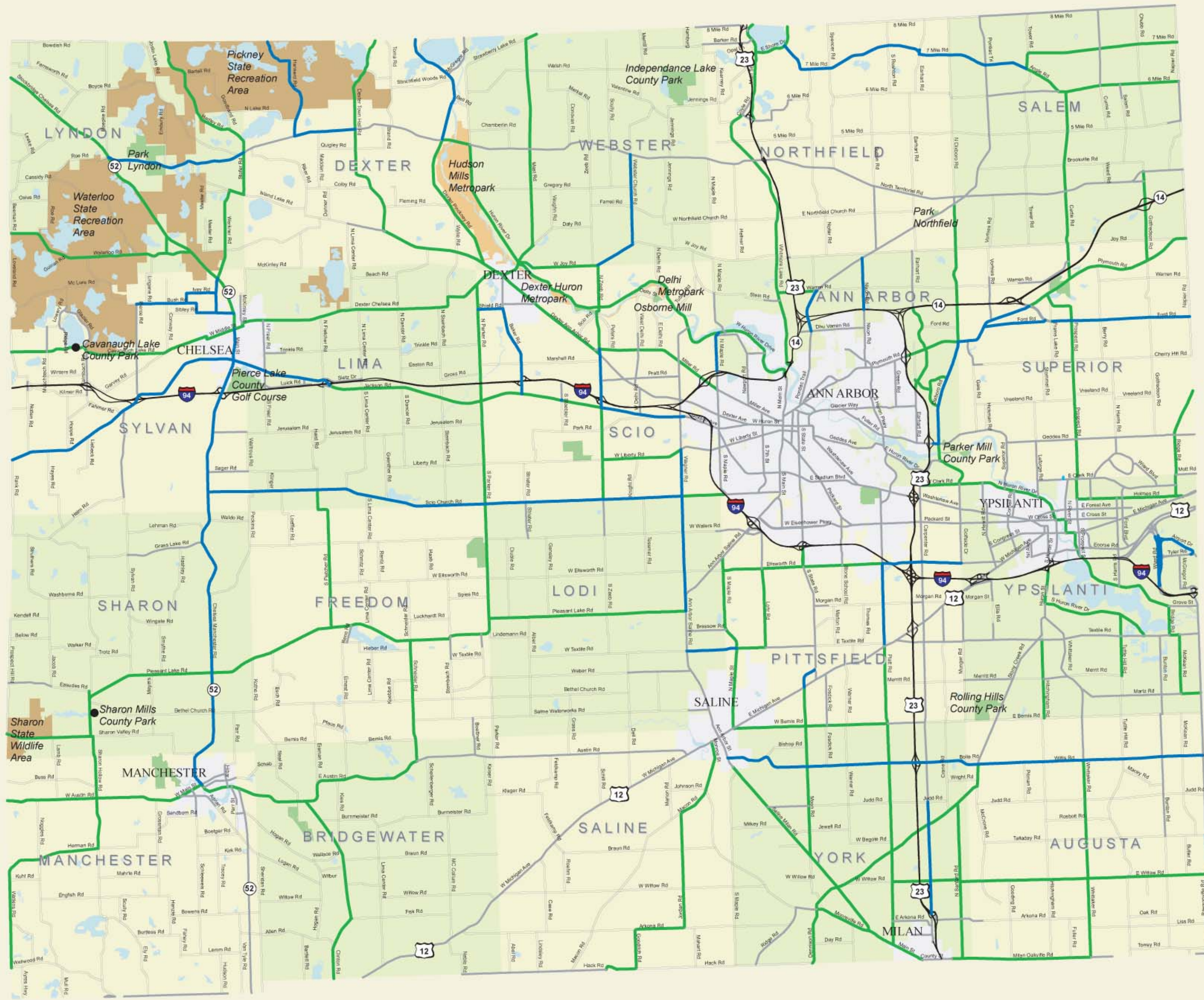
**Use Lights At Night**  
State law requires, at the minimum, the use of a white headlight visible from at least 500 feet, pedal reflectors, and a red rear reflector visible from at least 600 feet, however - "more is better."



**Dress Appropriately**  
Wear reflective or light colored clothing even when it's daylight.



**Lock Your Bike**  
Protect your bicycle by using a high-quality U-lock or keyed cable lock. Secure both wheels and frame to the hoop or rack.



**BIKEWAYS**

- Preferred Route -- roads judged more suitable due to greater lane width, paved shoulders, and/or lower traffic volumes.
- Satisfactory Route -- roads judged useable but less suitable due to narrower lane width and/or higher traffic volumes.

**RECREATION AREAS**

- Washtenaw County
- Huron-Clinton Metroparks
- State of Michigan

**MAP FEATURES**

- Highway
- Paved Roads
- Unpaved Roads
- City Boundaries

# Washtenaw County BIKEWAY SYSTEM

**Resources**

- City of Ann Arbor Useful Phone Numbers**
- Parks & Recreation Services .....(734) 994-2780  
[www.a2gov.org/parks](http://www.a2gov.org/parks)
  - Larcom Municipal Building (Ann Arbor City Hall)
  - Police Department.....(734) 994-2911  
lost, stolen, or abandoned bikes
  - Pothole Hotline (99-HOLES) .....(734) 994-6537
  - Snow Clearance Hotline .....(734) 994-2359
  - General Bicycle Facility Issues .....(734) 214-0100
  - Emergency - Police - Fire - Ambulance.....911
- Washtenaw County Useful Phone Numbers**
- Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation  
[www.ewashtenaw.org](http://www.ewashtenaw.org) .....(734) 971-6337
- Local and State Organizations**
- Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society.....(734) 913-9851  
[www.aabts.org](http://www.aabts.org)
  - Washtenaw Bicycle & Walking Coalition ..(734) 913-8604  
[www.wbwc.org](http://www.wbwc.org)
  - Ann Arbor Velo Club.....(734) 761-1603  
[www.aavc.org](http://www.aavc.org)
  - League of Michigan Bicyclists .....(517) 334-9100  
[www.lmb.org](http://www.lmb.org)
  - Michigan Mountain Bike Association .....(248) 288-3753  
[www.mmba.org](http://www.mmba.org)
  - U of M Alternative Transportation Coord..(734) 764-1100  
[www.mmba.org](http://www.mmba.org)

## City of Ann Arbor & Washtenaw County



# Bicycle Map

**\$2.00**

