Multiuse Trail and Bike Route Gaps in Hartford and East Hartford The Gaps That Kill

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In 2015 Hartford didn't have a single bike shop

- Over 30% of households don't own a car
- Median household income = \$32,095

Growth in 3 years to a full service shop and:

- Do-It-Yourself Bicycle Repair Hours
- Teen and Young Adult Earn-a-Bike
- Internships, Job Training, and Service Learning
- BiCi Co. Women's Committee and DIY Hours
- Safety Education and Mechanic Workshops
- Bicycles for Jobs Access
- BIKELIFE HARTFORD! Spring break bikes and safety for teens
- BiCi Co. Ride Club and Race Team
- Advocacy for safe and healthy bike transportation





Formed in 2017, Multimodal Transportation Focus

Advocates for biking, walking, transit, commuter rail, and multi-modal transportation as an essential part of sustainable and socially just city and region

For Hartford and the region to succeed and grow, it has to move beyond single occupancy vehicle travel.



HARTFORD Action Teams

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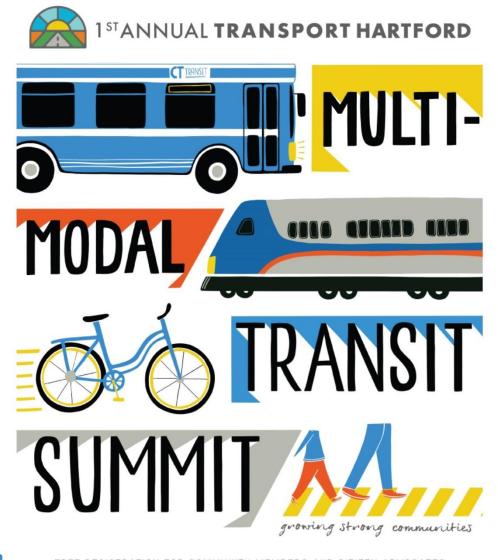


- Multiuse Trails Action Team
- Bike Share Action Team LimeBike!
- Tactical Urbanism Action Team
- Happy Hours / Hack Nights / Meetups
- Vision Zero / Road to Zero Action Team
- Car Share Action Team Downtown Hartford
- Bus Transit Action Team
- Protected Bike Lane and Intersections
 Team
- Commuter Rail Action Team Bikes on Board!

Nov 19th Summit

- Full day of exciting sessions –
 11:30 am to 7:30 pm
- Registration is open
- Food Lunch and Dinner
- Lime & New Haven Bike Share
 1:30 pm 3:00 pm
- Hartford's City Wide Bike Plan
 3:00 pm 4:30 pm
- Greenways and Trails Session
 6:00 pm 7:30 pm

A shift to **sustainable transportation** puts more users on greenways



FREE REGISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND CITIZEN ADVOCATES

























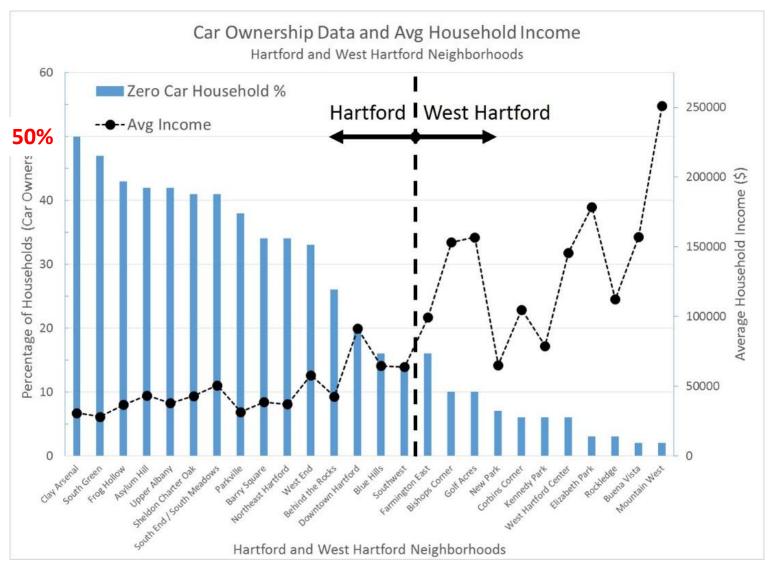


Urban and low income communities have the most need for safe bicycle routes and greenways

Greenways and bike lanes that serve low income, dense development get used for transportation and jobs access

Crash Data – Ped / Bike





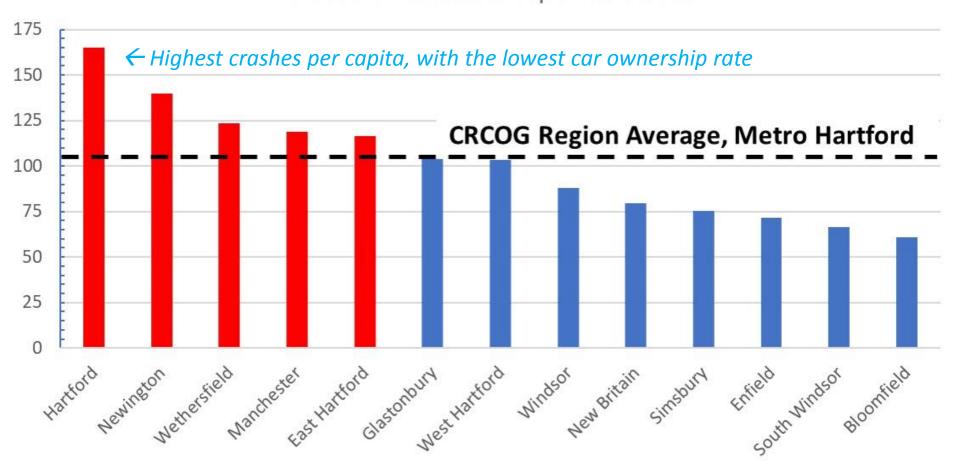
Household car ownership tracks with income level

Crash Data





All Crashes per 1000 Population - 2010 to 2014 (4 years)
Includes all streets except interstates

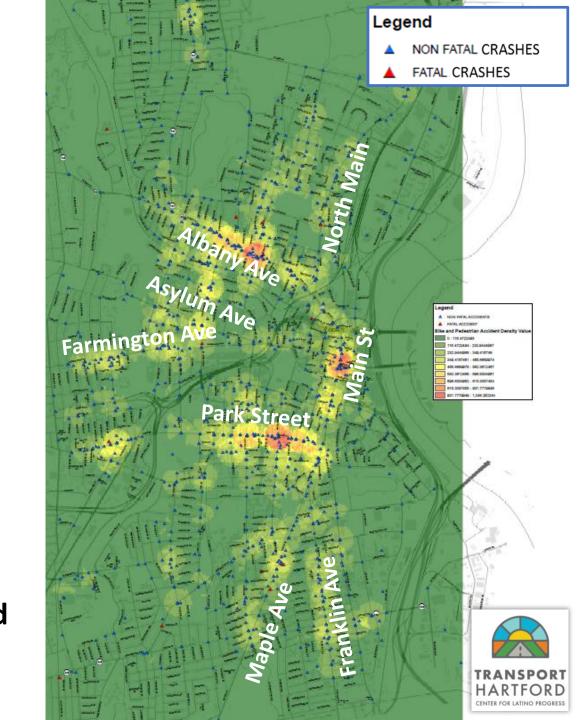


Crash Data Ped / Bike

Highest rate of pedestrian and bicycle crashes (with cars) in the Metro Hartford region

Greatest concentrations on arterial corridors

What would a connected greenway and bike route network do for resident and bike commuter safety?

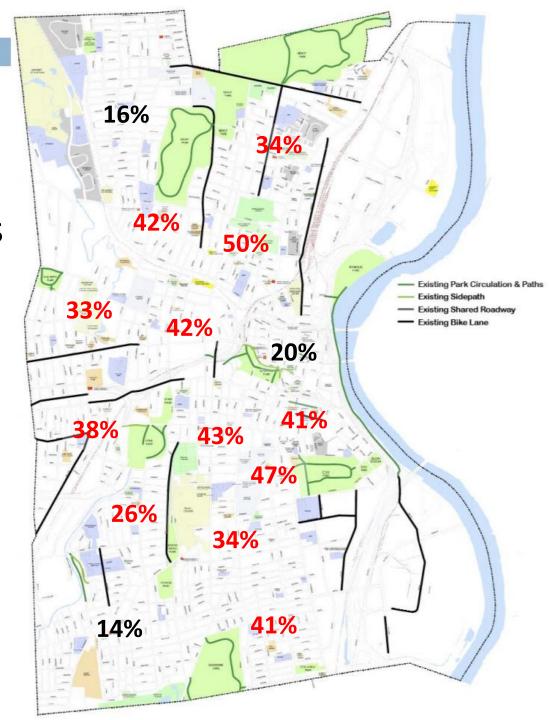


Hartford The Gaps

- Bike Lane Orphans
- Connectivity

 lacking from
 nearby towns to

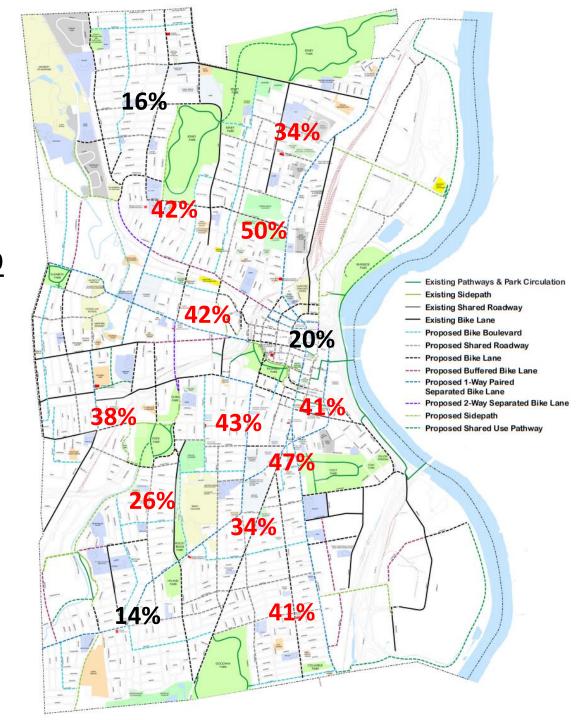
 Downtown
- Low Car
 Ownership
 neighborhoods
 poorly served



Hartford The Plan

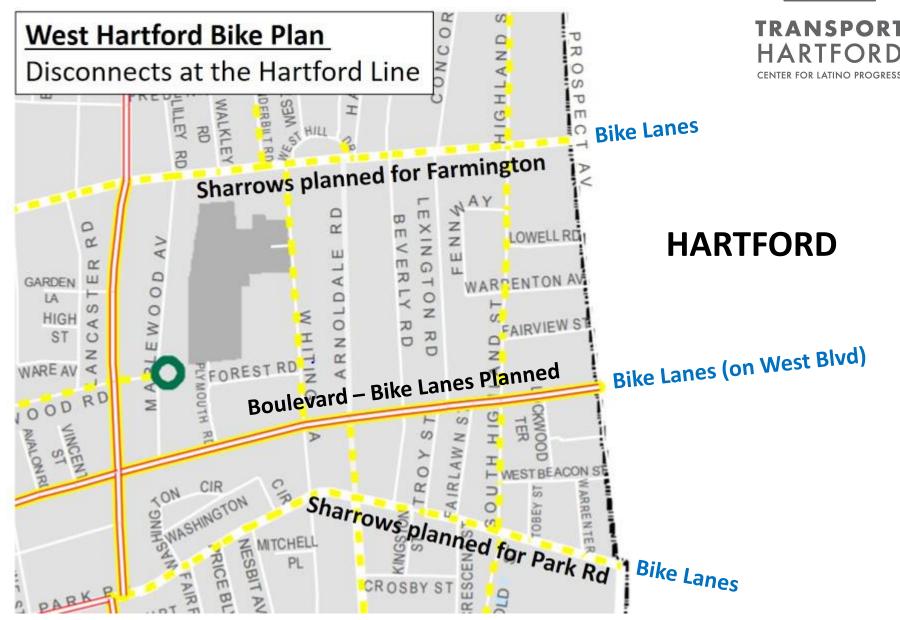
Implementation priority
includes equity and gap
closure along with
several other criteria

~\$400k Community Connectivity grant to incorporate low-cost facilities was not selected



Town Dis-Connections

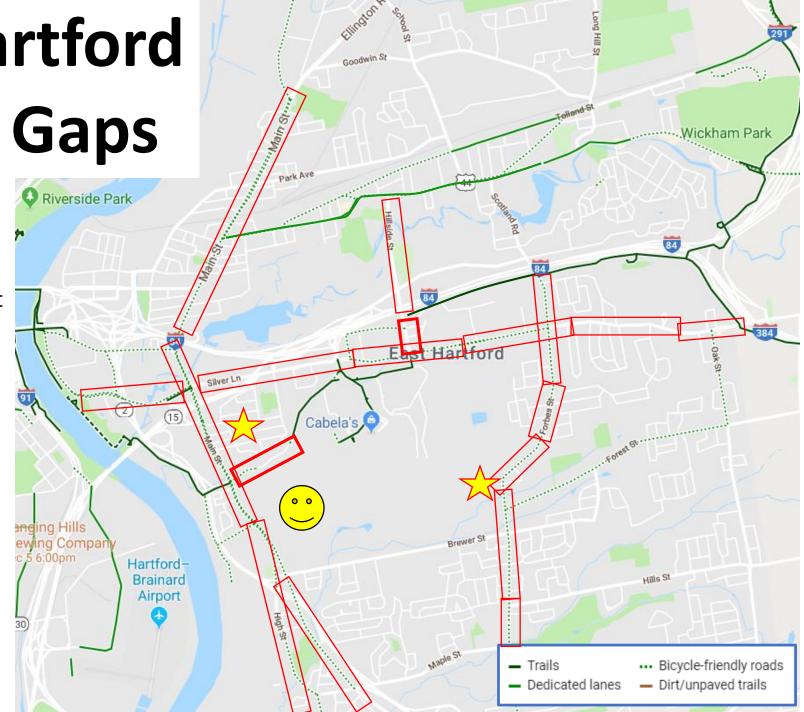




E. Hartford The Gaps

Major Gaps

- **ECG**
- Main Street
- **Cross Town**



East Hartford - The Plan



Is there a bike route and complete streets plan?

How can we give more time, energy, and funding to closing these critical urban gaps?



Any Questions?





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