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HOW TO MAKE A CITY GREAT FOR BIKING



Traffic circle on a neighborhood greenway in La Crosse, WI.



Contraflow bike lane on Homer Ave in Palo Alto, CA.

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SAFE STREETS ARE SLOW STREETS

People-friendly residential streets are an essential part of creating a network that connects neighborhoods to destinations.

Low-cost changes to the local street network include traffic calming measures and neighborhood greenways.

- 1 Quiet residential streets are integral to your biking network.** Many streets with low traffic speeds and volumes offer the basic components of a safe walking and bicycling environment, and just need to be enhanced using a range of design options.
- 2 Slow speeds make streets more inviting.** Neighborhood greenways give people walking and bicycling priority and make it safer by slowing vehicles down. Chicanes, traffic circles, and curb extensions are some of the many traffic calming tools available to manage vehicle speeds and volumes.

Helpful resources. Check out NACTO's design guidance on [contraflow bike lanes](#), [shared streets](#), and [bicycle boulevards](#) - as well as Project for Public Spaces' [Traffic Calming Toolbox](#). For an example of neighborhood greenways, look at [Boulder's Neighborhood GreenStreets](#).