



# OHIO'S BICYCLE ADVOCACY GROUPS

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## BICYCLE ADVOCACY

### OHIO BICYCLE FEDERATION

Statewide bicycle advocacy group that works to affect the legislation and policies that affect bicyclists. Encourages bicycling by printing and distributing the "Ohio Bicycle Events Calendar" yearly. Members receive the quarterly "Ohio Bicycle Communicator" newsletter.

send questions to:

Ohio Bicycle Federation  
Chuck Smith, Chair  
825 Olde Farm Court  
Vandalia, OH 45377

937-890-6689 Home  
[chuck@ohiobike.org](mailto:chuck@ohiobike.org)  
[www.ohiobike.org](http://www.ohiobike.org)

send memberships to:

Ohio Bicycle Federation  
P.O. Box 253  
Xenia, OH 45385-0253

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### PEDESTRIAN AND BIKEWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE

Coordinates plans for bikeway and pedestrian facility development, promotes local events, coordinates establishment of multi-jurisdictional bike routes, holds public meetings, conducts surveys, inventories pedestrian facilities, etc.

Pedestrian and Bikeways Steering Committee  
Diane Reamer-Evans  
Transportation Project Manager  
TMACOG (Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments)  
300 Central Union Plaza, P.O. Box 9508  
Toledo, OH 43697-9508

419-241-9155 ext. 117  
fax 419-241-9116  
[evans@tmacog.org](mailto:evans@tmacog.org)  
[http://www.tmacog.org/Bike\\_Ped.htm](http://www.tmacog.org/Bike_Ped.htm)

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### MAUMEE VALLEY BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ALLIANCE

Represents Toledo bicyclists and pedestrians in local and statewide efforts to promote safety education, encourage lawful operation of bicycles, and to develop a better bicycle network.

Maumee Valley Bicycle & Pedestrian Alliance  
Bill Saunders  
P O Box 2691  
Toledo, Oh 43606

419-531-7193  
FAX 419-531-6663

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### CENTRAL OHIO BICYCLE ADVOCACY COALITION

COBAC's goal is to make Central Ohio more bicycle friendly by influencing policy and working with agencies that affect bicycling.

COBAC  
John Gideon, President  
P. O. Box 2003  
Columbus, OH 43216-2003

Voice: (614) 844-3954  
[jgideon@cobac.org](mailto:jgideon@cobac.org)  
[www.cobac.org](http://www.cobac.org)

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### THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Makes recommendations to the Policy Committee regarding bicycle and pedestrian transportation plans, assists in preparation of basic development policy goals and objectives, discusses plans and programs of local jurisdictions and recommends coordination of efforts within the Licking County Area Transportation Study area.

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Committee  
LCATS Transportation Planner  
20 S. Second Street  
Newark, OH 43055

Matthew Hill, 740-349-6558  
[mhill@lcounty.com](mailto:mhill@lcounty.com)  
[www.LCATS.org](http://www.LCATS.org)

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### BICYCLE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Assists NOACA staff with bicycle issues. Goal is to promote bicycling as a transportation mode, and provide safe facilities to do so. Reviews projects seeking federal funds, drafts policies, and holds workshops to train local officials. Developed bike transportation maps for each of the five counties in the region.

Bicycle Advisory Council  
Contact: Sally Hanley  
Senior Transportation Planner  
NOACA  
1299 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44114

216-241-2414 ext. 273  
[shanley@mpo.noaca.org](mailto:shanley@mpo.noaca.org)  
<http://www.noaca.org/index.html>  
<http://www.noaca.org/bikemaps.html>

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### Green City, Blue Lake ( part of EcoCity Cleveland)

Promotes alternate forms of transportation in the Cleveland area, and in fact, publishes an excellent guidebook, *Car-Free in Cleveland*, a guide to getting around Northeast Ohio by rail and bus transit, taxi, bicycle, and on foot.

Eco City Cleveland  
3500 Lorain Ave., Suite 309  
Cleveland, OH 44113

216-961-8851  
[ecomail@ecocitycleveland.org](mailto:ecomail@ecocitycleveland.org)  
<http://www.gcbl.org/transportation/bikes>

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### ClevelandBikes!

Created in 2003, ClevelandBikes seeks to advance and promote all forms of bicycling as economical and healthful recreation, sport and transportation. Since its inception, ClevelandBikes has assisted policy makers and the public to address important priorities in transportation, safety, recreation and health. Some specific activities include Bike to Work Days from spring through fall, law reforms, offering "safe cycling" education, and providing bicycle parking at events. When ClevelandBikes, Cleveland Benefits!

ClevelandBikes  
16781 Chagrin Road, #167  
Shaker Heights, OH 44120

[www.clevelandbikes.org](http://www.clevelandbikes.org)

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### CINCINNATI BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Bike/PAC)

Agenda items include bike locker placement, bike racks on buses, trail maps, problem trails and problem roadways, bridge studies, local events, regional bike plans, planned trail alignments, Bike to Work Week, etc.

Cincinnati Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee  
c/o Jim Coppock

Cincinnati Bicycle Coordinator  
801 Plum Street, Room 430, City Hall  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

513-352-5305,  
513-352-1581 fax  
[Jim.Coppock@RCC.ORG](mailto:Jim.Coppock@RCC.ORG)  
<http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/transeng/pages/-6807-/>

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## TRAILS GROUPS

### THE OHIO-TO-ERIE TRAIL FUND

Group working to create an off-road trail that connects Cincinnati and Cleveland, following canals and former railroad corridors wherever possible. Funds are used to purchase right-of-way and to assist local governments in building the trail.

Jerry Rampelt, Executive Director  
The Ohio to Erie Trail Fund  
PO BOX 21246  
Columbus, Ohio 43221

614-267-2915 (O)  
614-783-5809 (M)  
614-267-2916 (Fax)  
[jrampelt@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jrampelt@columbus.rr.com)  
<http://www.ohioerietrail.org/>

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### RAILS-TO-TRAILS CONSERVANCY

A national organization, the Midwest field office of the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy provides technical assistance to those attempting to convert old rail corridors to trails, and creates the *Ohio Trails and Greenway Directory*.

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy  
Ohio Field Office  
10 S. High St., Suite A  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110

614-837-6782  
614-837-6783 fax  
<http://www.railtrails.org/>

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### NORTHWESTERN OHIO RAILS-TO-TRAILS ASSOCIATION (NORTA)

Group working to build bridges and turn two former Wabash Cannonball Rail lines into trails, between Maumee, OH and Montpelier, and Maumee to Liberty Center.

Northwestern Ohio Rails-to-Trails Association (NORTA)  
P.O. Box 234  
Delta, OH 43515

800-951-9563  
<http://www.wabashcannonballtrail.org/>

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### FRIENDS OF THE WESTERN RESERVE GREENWAY TRAIL

Group working to create a trail in Ashtabula and Trumbull counties, part of the Great Ohio Lake-to-River Greenway that will connect Lake Erie at Ashtabula to the Ohio River at East Liverpool.

Friends of the Western Reserve Greenway Trail  
Charlie Kohli, Chairman  
P. O. Box 1788  
Warren, OH 44481-1788

440-576-0717  
<http://www.ashtabulacountymetroparks.org/trail.htm> (see also <http://metroparks.co.trumbull.oh.us/Parks/WRG.htm>)

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#### TRI-COUNTY TRIANGLE TRAIL

Group promoting the development of a recreational trail to connect Chillicothe, Frankfort, Washington C.H. and Greenfield, Ohio.

Tri-County Triangle Trail  
Deb Doles  
586 Laurel Street  
Chillicothe, OH 45601

740-775-9322  
<http://tricotrail.tripod.com>

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#### SOUTH WESTERN OHIO TRAILS ASSOCIATION

Group working to create off-road trails in the greater Cincinnati region.

South Western Ohio Trails Association  
Don Burrell  
4994 Bonaventure Court  
Cincinnati, OH 45238

513-922-3867  
[DBCinOh@fuse.net](mailto:DBCinOh@fuse.net)

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### **RACING GROUPS**

#### TEAM COLUMBUS

Team COLUMBUS was founded in 1988 as an event and race organization. It promotes over forty events annually, including the eight-day team event, the Tour Ohio stage race, which covers over 500 miles of Ohio's roads every June.

Team COLUMBUS  
P.O. Box 438  
Granville, OH 43023

614-563-3434  
[tymtyler@teamcolumbus.org](mailto:tymtyler@teamcolumbus.org)  
[www.teamcolumbus.org](http://www.teamcolumbus.org)

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#### INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAIN BICYCLING ASSN.

IMBA is a national organization formed to create, enhance and preserve trail opportunities for mountain bikers worldwide. Their Subaru/ IMBA Trail Care Crew hosts Trailbuiding Schools to teach people how to build durable trails that are fun to ride.

International Mountain Bicycling Assn.  
Matt Ogle, Ohio State Representative  
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Columbus, OH 43232

614-861-4936  
[heyogle@aol.com](mailto:heyogle@aol.com) and [info@imba.com](mailto:info@imba.com)  
[www.joinomba.org](http://www.joinomba.org) and [www.imba.com](http://www.imba.com)

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#### AMERICAN BICYCLE RACING

Represents Ohio mountain bike racers in zip codes 440xx to 44900.

American Bicycle Racing  
Charles Howe  
P.O. Box 487

Tinley Park, IL 60447-0487

[AmBikeRace@aol.com](mailto:AmBikeRace@aol.com)

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## **SAFETY GROUPS**

### CENTER FOR INJURY RESEARCH AND POLICY

Resource for policy makers, the public, medical professionals, etc.

Center for Injury Research and Policy  
Columbus Children's Research Institute  
Children's Hospital  
700 Children's Drive  
Columbus, OH 43205

Nichole Hodges, 614-355-2771  
[CIRPinformation@chi.osu.edu](mailto:CIRPinformation@chi.osu.edu)  
[www.injurycenter.org](http://www.injurycenter.org)

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### BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF OHIO

Helps persons who have sustained traumatic brain injuries. Mission: to create a better future through brain injury prevention, research, education and advocacy.

Brain Injury Association of Ohio  
1335 Dublin-Granville Road, 50-A  
Columbus, OH 43215-1000

1-866-644-6242  
FAX 614-481-7103  
[www.biaoh.org](http://www.biaoh.org)

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### OHIO SAFE KIDS COALITION

The Ohio SAFE KIDS Coalition shares information on ways to keep kids safe from drowning, fires, auto crashes, bicycle crashes, falls, poisons, etc. with the SAFE KIDS chapters around the state. Chapters hold various promotional events, such as bicycle helmet fittings, safety checks on child car seat installation, etc.

Ohio Safe Kids Coalition  
Columbus Health Department  
240 Parsons Avenue  
Columbus, OH 43215

Linda Tvorik  
614-645-613  
[lltvorik@columbus.gov](mailto:lltvorik@columbus.gov)

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS**

### LITTLE MIAMI, INC.

A river conservation group that helps people appreciate the river and works to ensure that development along the Little Miami Scenic River is in the river's best interest. Studies water quality, protects wildlife habitat, plants trees.

Little Miami, Inc.  
Eric Partee  
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Milford, OH 45150

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