

# BIKE TO WORK

Albuquerque is in the midst of creating a transportation system that provides options that meet the needs of individuals and the community as a whole. The majority of Albuquerque residents have bicycles stored in their garages, but there is the perception that bicycles are strictly for recreational purposes. City Council and the community have made the commitment to expand the on-street bikeway and multi-use trail system through dedicated transportation funds. The City of Albuquerque has made great progress through various planning and construction activities within the last several years in developing an improved system. These efforts are making bicycle commuting a viable transportation alternative.

# BENEFITS OF BIKE COMMUTING

- Is a great way to get practical exercise and be active.
- Boosts your energy levels throughout the day.
- Saves you money on gas and maintenance.
- Helps you skip the traffic headache.
- Eliminates hassles of trying to find parking.
- Allows you to enjoy the scenery along your ride.
- Allows you to be a proactive influence and promote more cyclists.
- Is environmentally friendly and reduces your carbon footprint.



# GETTING STARTED

Use this map to plan your route. Map out your route in advance using this map. If there are gaps in the suggested routes or direct routes, try going out on the weekend or after work to explore alternatives. A leisurely ride through the neighborhoods along the way will reveal alternate roads that may be perfect for your commute. Make a practice run. The more comfortable you are with your route, the easier your commute will be. Get acquainted with your bike. If there are adjustments that need to be made this is the time to discover that. Get used to riding your bike in a variety of traffic conditions. You will need to plan for arriving at your destination. Where you will park your bike, freshen up and change your clothes, if necessary, are all good things to know in advance. Learn and practice good safety skills and riding habits. You can do this on your own or through a bicycle safety class offered by the City of Albuquerque, Bicycle Safety and Education Program, (505)768-BIKE.

# HELPFUL COMMUTING TIPS

- Get a mechanically sound bike you are comfortable riding.
- Wear a helmet that is properly fitted and less than 5 years old.
- Plan your route and ride it on a non-work day to gauge time.
- Have a front light, rear reflector, rear light, and reflective gear.
- Plan your work attire and store clothing at work.
- Buy a good lock and learn how to use it.
- Never leave home without a spare tube, a patch kit, a pump, and the knowledge to use them.
- Take a City Cycling class at the Esperanza Community Bike Shop (505) 224-6668.
- Join the "Guaranteed Ride Home" from the City of Albuquerque's Transit Department.
- Use carriers to hold your things and free up your hands for gripping the handle bars.

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The City of Albuquerque is dedicated to being in tune with its cycling community. There are many cycling clubs, groups, and associations that all play a part in making Albuquerque a great place to ride. It does not matter if you are a single rider, or a representative of a bicycling group, the City is interested in learning how we can best suit your needs. Whether it is an annual forum, a GABAC meeting, or a call to your local Counselor, we encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas in helping to make Albuquerque a better place to ride.

# LOCKING YOUR BIKE

Lock the whole bike. Place your chain, cable, or U-lock through your frame and wheels. If you have a quick-release front hub, you might consider taking it off and locking it with the rear wheel and frame. When using a padlock, put it where it's not close to the ground, a wall or other solid surface, and decrease the slack in your cable or chain. It's advisable to remove any easily removable accessories that cannot be locked such as quick-release seats, horns, bike bags, pumps, cycle computers, or lights.

# THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RECOVERING AND NOT RECOVERING STOLEN PROPERTY. REPORTIT.LEADSONLINE.COM

# 2018 ALBUQUERQUE BICYCLE MAP

City of Albuquerque Department of Municipal Development Engineering Division PO Box 1293 Albuquerque, NM 87103

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE	
Municipal Development Department	311
Transportation Planning and Project Development	768-3658
Street Repair and Sweeping	857-2025
Construction Barricading and Detours	924-3690
Traffic Signals and Signaling	857-8025
Parks and Recreation Department	857-8650
Multi-use Trail Maintenance	768-BIKE
Open Space Trail Maintenance	452-5200
Bike NOW Program/Bike and Ride	243-RIDE
GABAC - Greater Albuquerque Bicycle Advisory Committee	
A citizen advisory committee that meets the second Monday of every month to review and comment on projects affecting multi-use trails. (Bike pedestrian, equestrian, in-line skating, etc.) within the Albuquerque metropolitan area. GABAC meetings are open to the general public. Anyone interested in more information about GABAC, please contact the City of Albuquerque Department of Municipal Development, Transportation Division at (505)768-2680.	
GARTC - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee	
A citizen advisory committee that meets the third Tuesday of every month to review and comment on policies and projects affecting multi-use trails. (Bike pedestrian, equestrian, in-line skating, etc.) within the Albuquerque metropolitan area. GARTC meetings are open to the general public. Anyone interested in more information about GARTC, please contact the City of Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department at (505)768-5553.	
BERNALILLO COUNTY	
Street Maintenance Division	848-1503
CITY OF RIO RANCHO	
Bikeway Maintenance	891-7224
ORGANIZATIONS	
Bike ABC	
Web: <a href="http://www.bikeabc.org">http://www.bikeabc.org</a>	
Email: <a href="mailto:info@bikeabc.org">info@bikeabc.org</a>	
New Mexico Touring Society	
Web: <a href="http://www.nmts.com">http://www.nmts.com</a>	
Email: <a href="mailto:nmts@nmts.com">nmts@nmts.com</a>	
NMDOT: DISTRICT 3	
Web: <a href="http://dot.state.nm.us/en/03.html">http://dot.state.nm.us/en/03.html</a>	
District 3 Engineer Email: <a href="mailto:Kenneth.murphy@state.nm.us">Kenneth.murphy@state.nm.us</a>	
For more information about bicycling in the Albuquerque Metro Area go to the city's web site at <a href="http://www.cabq.gov/bike">www.cabq.gov/bike</a>	
Questions and comments are always welcome. Printed April 2018	

# ALBUQUERQUE MULTI-USE TRAILS

The City of Albuquerque plans, designs, constructs, and maintains most of the multi-use trails within the Albuquerque region. There are also public multi-use trails not within the City's jurisdiction that are part of the overall multi-use trail network or system. The Albuquerque metropolitan area has approximately 180 miles of official non-motorized multi-use trails and the system continues to grow every year. For trails that are not paved, the Albuquerque region provides hundreds of miles of easy-to-find natural surface trails for recreational purposes.

# CiQlovia means open streets.

CiQlovia is the Albuquerque version of the global phenomenon known as Ciclovía or open streets. The word refers to events where city streets are closed to cars and opened up to people on foot and on bike, outdoor exercise classes, shopping, live music, and other activities. CiQlovia is a FREE event designed to encourage ALL burgeois and visitors to enjoy our beautiful city and unique neighborhoods. It is an opportunity for juniors, seniors, and intergenerations to safely enjoy activities in the street.

CiQlovia is about envisioning our future. CiQlovia will be an opportunity to stimulate a community conversation about bicycle and pedestrian issues and public health issues, while also stimulating the local economy and encouraging active lifestyles. This event will also highlight local businesses, improve community livability, and serve as an opportunity to re-imagine our largest public space - streets! Bring a car, a friend or your family!



# Rio Rancho Bicycle Map

# Take Your Bike on the Train

Round-trip tickets **only \$11**

Questions? 505-245-7245 [riometro.org](http://riometro.org)

# An approved bicycle helmet can greatly reduce the risk of death or permanent injury in the event of an accident. Look for the ANSI Z90.4.

# BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROGRAM

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Programs offer mobile "Bicycle Safety Rodeos - Pump It Up classes" and "Walk This Way" presentations to schools and the community. Children and adults learn basic bicycling skills, bicycling predictability, traffic laws, helmet use, and skills for walking safely. These programs are available for schools, community centers, after school programs, scouting programs, churches, and neighborhood associations.

\*The BICYCLE SAFETY RODEO program provides certified instructors, all equipment including bicycles, helmets, literature, an inflatable pump, and signs and instruction. Targets 3rd - 5th grade students.

\*The PUMP IT UP bike mechanic program is a hands-on tech class where participants learn proper removal and installation of the tube/tire and flat tire repair. Traffic awareness, safe riding, and bicycle safety inspections are demonstrated. Targets Middle School students.

\*The WALK THIS WAY presentation promotes pedestrian safety awareness, crossing guard procedures, visibility, and signage actions. Targets 1st - 2nd grade students.

For more information call 768-BIKE (2453) or 768-5328.

# ESPERANZA COMMUNITY BIKE SHOP

# ESPERANZA BICYCLE SAFETY EDUCATION CENTER

Esperanza is a non-retail community resource for learning all about bicycles, from maintaining your own bicycle to education about bicycle safety. Esperanza offers several different programs, including: Open Bike Clinic, Build-a-Bike, Earn-a-Bike, and many other classes. Esperanza is also the home of the Richard Rivas Community Bicycle Recycling Program, a local non-profit organization that works to promote bicycle use among the youth of our community.

<http://www.cabq.gov/esperanza>  
(505)224-6668  
[esperanza@cabq.gov](mailto:esperanza@cabq.gov)

# OPEN BIKE CLINIC

Open Bike Clinic is when Esperanza is open to the public. During these hours, anyone can come in and work on their bicycle. Esperanza will provide you with the tools and the work space needed to work on your bike, but you must perform the maintenance yourself. If the repair requires more mechanical expertise than you are comfortable performing, the friendly staff of bike mechanics will be on hand to offer guidance.

# OPEN BIKE CLINIC HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 3pm to 8pm  
Sunday: Noon-7pm

# 50-MILE ACTIVITY LOOP

The 50-Mile Activity Loop is Albuquerque's 50-mile multi-use trail and bikeway path around the City.

The Loop starts in Downtown Albuquerque and travels through the Old Town and museum district, crosses the Rio Grande and touches the edge of Petroglyph National Monument. It travels along the Riverside Trail to the Paseo del Norte Trail, and on to Balloon Fiesta Park. It takes trail-goers along the northern edge of the city and along the Sandia Mountains. On their way back to Downtown, along the trail there will be shopping and eating opportunities to enjoy. The 50-Mile Activity Loop is just one more reason to live, work, play, and experience Albuquerque!

# DUKE CITY BMX

505-890-1269 [dukecitybmx.org](http://dukecitybmx.org)

Wednesdays: Open Nights 6-8pm  
Mondays and Saturdays: Clinics  
Fridays and Sundays: Racing

Open night free to any first time riders  
email: [dcbmxracing@gmail.com](mailto:dcbmxracing@gmail.com)

# BIKE SHARE PROGRAM

The Rio Metro Regional Transit District is working with Zagster to provide Pace bike share to residents and visitors of Albuquerque. The program came to fruition because of a federal grant and support from local businesses and organizations, the City of Albuquerque, and Bernalillo County. Pace bike share anticipates launching 250 bicycles/50 Pace racks in spring 2018. Pace features a first-of-its-kind dockless bike sharing model that blends predictability and flexibility for riders, while preserving order and safety for communities. With Pace, users will still enjoy the predictability of dedicated bike share hubs in key locations, but they will now be allowed to lock the bicycles to public bicycle racks as well. Simply download the free Pace app, available on the App Store or Google Play. One tap in the app automatically unlocks the tether connecting the bike to the lock, allowing a rider to get rolling in seconds. There is no membership fee to join Pace, and rides start at just \$1 per half hour.

To learn more about Pace, visit [www.riometro.org](http://www.riometro.org)

# LOOK FOR THE P ON THE MAP

- ### LOCATIONS\*
- ABQ Bio Park/Botanical Gardens
  - ABQ Museum Old Town
  - 5 Star Burger
  - Silver Moon Lodge
  - National Hispanic Cultural Center
  - City Hall West
  - ABQ Convention Center
  - Galleria
  - Movie theater/Alvarado Transit Center
  - Plaza del Sol
  - Fat Pipe
  - Grove/EDO
  - MRCOG/Robinson Park
  - Hyatt/Molina Health Care
  - PNM
- \*Subject to change

# BE IN THE KNOW

# ABQRIDE

Albuquerque has miles of multi-use trails, bicycle lanes and routes. Take advantage of all of them by combining cycling with public transportation.

# BIKE & BUS

Store your bike on the front end of all regular ABQRIDE buses. Always alert the driver you will be loading or unloading your bike. If the rack is full, wait for the next bus.

1. Pull handle up and lower into position.
2. Load the front wheel in.
3. Pull on spring located in tire harness and place over the front wheel.

# On ART

Biking with ART is easy because of the level boarding platform.

Just roll your bicycle in through the back door and store it in one of the upright bike racks. If the rack is full and standing room is available, you may be able to stand to secure your bike.

Download the ABQRIDE+ app to navigate the ABQRIDE transit system, purchase mobile tickets, discover nearby attractions, and more.

FOR MORE INFO: 243-RIDE or [www.cabq.gov/transit](http://www.cabq.gov/transit)

# ALBUQUERQUE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 8: TRAFFIC CODE

## § 8-3-1 JURISDICTION.

The regulations in § 8-3-31 et seq. shall be applicable whenever a bicycle is operated on the use of streets, highways and roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles or set aside for use of bicycles with pedestrians, motorcycles and/or horseback riders and shall also be applicable to all streets, parking lots and the like, regardless of road surfaces covered by § 8-1-1-2.

## § 8-3-2 PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY.

The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of § 8-3-1 et seq.

## § 8-3-3 BICYCLE SERIAL NUMBER.

A. No person shall alter, obliterate or change the serial number imprinted on the frame of any bicycle.

B. No person shall sell or rent a bicycle on which the serial number imprinted on the frame has been altered, obliterated or changed.

C. This section shall not prohibit the restoration by an owner of an original serial number or mark.

## § 8-3-4 TRAFFIC REGULATIONS APPLY.

A. Operators of bicycles have the same rights as operators of automobiles on the use of streets, highways and roadways within the city, except as otherwise specifically provided herein.

B. Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the drivers of motor vehicles, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Traffic Code and except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which by their nature cannot have no application; and each such person shall be subject to the same provisions and sections of this Traffic Code to which a motorist is subject.

## § 8-3-5 OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.

A. Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic control signals, signs, and other control devices applicable to bicycles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

B. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U-turn as permitted, no person operating a bicycle shall disobey the direction of any such sign, except where such person dismounts from the bicycle to make such turn, in which event such person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

## § 8-3-6 RIDING ON PROHIBITED STREETS OR CONTROLLED ACCESS ROADWAYS.

No person shall ride a bicycle either on any street or path where signs have been erected by the Mayor or his designated representative which prohibit the use of the street or path to bicycles, which restrict the use of the street or path to modes of transportation other than bicycles, or on controlled access

streets. Notwithstanding this provision, drivers of vehicles using such streets or controlled access roadways are not relieved of responsibility of using due care.

## § 8-3-7 OPERATION IN BICYCLE LANE.

Where the bicycle lane provides a minimum of four feet of rideable space or a bicyclist has entered a bicycle lane, bicyclist shall endeavor to maintain the lane except:

- At intersections;
- To pass a slower bicyclist, or to avoid parked cars or obstacles;
- A bicyclist may leave the bicycle lane between intersections in order to make a U-turn, or left hand turn where such a turn is permissible for vehicular traffic, or to turn into driveways;
- When leaving a bicycle lane, the bicyclist shall use caution and yield the right-of-way to vehicles.

## § 8-3-8 DIRECTION OF TRAVEL IN BICYCLE LANE.

No person shall ride or operate a bicycle within a bicycle lane or on the roadway in any direction except that permitted of vehicular traffic traveling on the same side of the roadway; provided, that bicycles may proceed either way along a lane where two-way bicycle traffic is so designated.

## § 8-3-9 POSITION ON THE ROADWAY.

A. If the right hand vehicle lane available for traffic is wide enough to be safely shared with overtaking vehicles and no bike lane is present, a bicyclist shall be ridden far enough to the right in said lane to facilitate such overtaking movements unless other conditions make it unsafe to do so.

B. Exceptions to driving bicycles on the right:

1. When and where road hazards exist.
2. To overtake vehicles making right-hand turns at intersections.
3. Bicycles may move out of their lane to overtake and pass another vehicle/bicyclist.
4. When preparing for a left turn at an intersection, when making a U-turn or turning into a private road or driveway.
5. Upon a one-way road with two or more marked traffic lanes the bicyclist may ride in the center of the most left hand lane for a reasonable distance to complete a left hand turn.
6. If the right hand vehicle lane available for traffic is not wide enough to be safely shared with overtaking vehicles or if passing is otherwise unsafe, a bicyclist may be ridden far enough to the left to temporarily control the lane. Bicyclist must move to the right to allow vehicles to overtake at the earliest and safest location. At no point is a bicyclist required to ride within less than three feet of any objects or curb on the right.

## § 8-3-10 DUTY OF MOTORIST TO BICYCLIST.

A. In approaching or passing a person on a bicycle, every person operating a motor vehicle shall proceed with caution and shall pass such bicyclist at a reasonable speed and keep a safe distance from him; provided however, in no event shall a distance of less than five feet be considered a safe distance within the meaning of this division.

B. No person operating a motor vehicle shall harass or endanger a bicyclist.

## § 8-3-11 OPENING AND CLOSING VEHICLE DOORS.

No person shall open any door on a motor vehicle unless and until it is reasonably safe to do so and can be done without interfering with the movement of other traffic including bicycle traffic, nor shall any person leave a door open on a side of a vehicle adjacent to moving traffic for a period of time longer than is necessary to load or unload passengers.

## § 8-3-12 MOTORIST TURNING ACROSS BICYCLE LANE.

A. Whenever a motorist is turning across a bicycle lane or path, such motorist shall maintain a proper lookout for bicyclists and shall yield the right-of-way to any bicyclist traveling in a bicycle lane or path and, prior to turning right, shall merge, if practicable, into the bicycle lane to his right, if any, before the start of the turning movement.

B. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to relieve the motorist of duties imposed by § 8-2-2-2, in particular, but not limited to, § 8-2-2-2(A)(1), (B)(1) and (E)(1).

No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle upon or across a bicycle path or lane except to cross such path or lane when turning as permitted in § 8-3-3-12, to park such vehicle, or to leave a parking space. No person shall drive upon or across a bicycle lane or path as permitted by this section except after giving the right-of-way to all bicyclists within the lane or path.

## § 8-3-14 TRAVELING IN GROUPS.

Persons riding bicycles on a roadway shall not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles where more than two abreast may ride in safety and traffic is not impeded. When riding more than two abreast is permitted on a roadway, the bicyclist shall ride within a single lane.

## § 8-3-15 RIDING BICYCLE ON SIDEWALK.

A. Bicyclists shall not ride upon a sidewalk when there is a wide right lane, bike lane, or bike trail adjacent to the direction of travel, or when signs are posted prohibiting bicycles on the sidewalk, or when within a business district. When riding on a sidewalk, a bicyclist is subject to the laws that apply to pedestrians.

B. If a bicyclist dismounts, the bicyclist is subject to the laws that apply to pedestrians.

C. Whenever a person must ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall ride slowly, shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian, shall overtake on the left, and shall give an audible signal before attempting to overtake and pass such pedestrian, and shall only ride on the sidewalk on the right hand side of the street, moving with the directional flow of the motor vehicle traffic.

## § 8-3-16 BICYCLE SPEED.

No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed either greater than the lawful speed limit or than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing, whichever is the lesser.

## § 8-3-17 EMERGING FROM ALLEY OR DRIVEWAY.

The operator of a bicycle emerging from an alley, driveway, bicycle path or building shall, upon approaching a sidewalk or the sidewalk area, yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians, and, before entering the roadway, shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on said roadway.

## § 8-3-18 CARRYING ARTICLES ON BICYCLE.

A. No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the rider from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

B. No person operating a bicycle shall transport any package, bundle or article, or any combination thereof, which interferes with the turning or braking of such bicycle, or which extends more than two feet from the front, back or sides of the frame of the bicycle, or which tends to impair the operator's control or balance. Nothing in this division shall be deemed to prohibit the use of trailers or side cars which are designed to be used with bicycles.

## § 8-3-19 CLINGING TO VEHICLES.

No person riding upon a bicycle shall attach the same or himself to any moving vehicle.

## § 8-3-20 SEATED PASSENGER.

A. No bicyclist shall carry a passenger on the bicycle unless the passenger is seated upon an individual seat or other carrier designed for carrying a passenger.

B. No person shall ride upon a bicycle as a passenger unless he is seated upon an individual seat or other carrier designed for carrying a passenger separate from that intended to be used by the operator.

## § 8-3-21 TURNING AND HAND SIGNALS.

A. Before turning and altering the course of a bicycle, the bicyclist shall make sure that movement can be made safely and shall give a signal by hand in the same manner as hand signals are given by motorists to indicate the direction in which he intends to proceed.

B. A signal by hand and arm need not be given if the hand is needed in the control or operation of the bicycle.

## § 8-3-22 PUSHING A BICYCLE.

Any person dismounting from and pushing a bicycle shall obey all regulations applicable to pedestrians.

## § 8-3-23 PARKING OF BICYCLE.

A bicycle may be parked on a sidewalk and other places if the parking does not impede normal and reasonable movement of pedestrian or other traffic.

## § 8-3-24 BICYCLE EQUIPMENT.

A. Lamp. No person shall operate a bicycle after sunset or prior to sunrise or in low light conditions unless equipped with a lamp on the front which emits a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet from the front.

B. Reflector. No person shall operate a bicycle at nighttime unless it is equipped on the rear with a red reflector of a type which shall be visible from at least 300 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful foot or motor vehicle.

C. Brake. No person shall operate a bicycle unless it is equipped with a brake which will enable the operator, when traveling at a speed of 15 mph, to stop within 30 feet on a dry, level, clean pavement after the brake is applied.

# AREA BICYCLE SHOPS

SHOP	ADDRESS	MAP ZONE	PHONE
1. Bike Coop LTD	120 Yale Blvd. SE	G5	245-5170
2. Bike Works	2920 Stanford Dr. NE Ste D	E5	884-0341
3. High Desert Bicycles, Inc.	6624 Camino Coors NW	CA/B4	896-4700
4. High Desert Bicycles, Inc.	1810 Louisiana Blvd. NE	B6	842-8260
5. Cycle Cave, Inc.	5716 Menaul Blvd. NE	E6	884-6607
6. Fast Tire Cycles, Inc.	421 Montana Rd. NE	D5	345-9005
7. Fixed and Free Custom Bike Shop	208 Dartmouth NE	F5	265-0586
8. Northeast Cycles Inc.	8305 Menaul Blvd. NE	E6	299-2110
9. Performance Bicycle	1431 Mercuriale Ave. NE	D5	765-2471
10. REI	1950 Mercuriale Ave. NE	D5	247-1191
11. Sports Systems	6624 Stanford Dr. NE	D7	837-9400
12. Trek Bicycle Super Store	5000 Menaul Blvd. NE	E6	312-7243
13. Two Wheel Drive, Inc.	4001 Central Ave. NE	F5	243-8443
14. Esperanza Community Bike Shop	5600 Esperanza Dr. NW	F3	224-6668
15. Sandia Cycles	11200 Montgomery Blvd. NE	D7	293-9684
16. UNM Bike Shop (available to faculty, students and staff)	East Entrance to Johnson Center	D7	277-8182
17. The Bikesmith	901 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, Suite D	BA/F4	243-9253
18. Trossa Bicycle Tours and Rentals	404 San Felipe St. NW, Suite B1	F4	933-5667
19. Bike Lab Suspension	700 Haines Ave. NW, Suite D	E4	245-9121

