INDIANAPOLIS BIKE LANE PROGRAM

“We have made great strides in our efforts to become a more bike-able city. Bike lanes create connected, livable communities and are another step toward a better quality of life for our residents.” – Mayor Greg Ballard

Bike lane miles in Indianapolis will more than double this year under Mayor Greg Ballard’s bold and innovative SustainIndy Program. The City’s Office of Sustainability partnered with the Department of Public Works to make Indianapolis one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest, and that transformation includes a comprehensive bikeways system. Bike lanes are a critical component of a sustainable, connected and livable city, providing avenues for transportation and recreation that improve quality of life and reduce pollution.

In the last several years, Indianapolis has gone from less than 1 mile of dedicated bike lanes to more than 63 bike lane miles by the end of 2011. The additional bike lanes will make it possible for cyclists to travel from one end of the county to the other. For the City’s efforts, the League of American Bicyclists designated Indianapolis as a Bronze Level Bicycle Friendly City in October 2010, and Bicycling Magazine recently ranked the Circle City in its top 50 bike-friendly cities for the first time. The City also promotes cycling and bicycling safety through participation in the Mayor’s annual bike ride and Bike-To-Work Day.

The SustainIndy Program is integrating bike lanes into several new RebuildIndy projects — projects to rehabilitate streets, sidewalks and bridges across Indianapolis.

BIKE LANE PROJECT DETAILS

2008 – 2.41 MILES
52nd Street, Monon Greenway to Keystone Avenue – 1.0 mile
Westlane Road, Michigan Road to Ditch Road – 1.41 miles

2009 – 20.36 MILES
New York Street and Michigan Street, Arlington Avenue to White River Parkway West Drive – 11.0 miles
Ritter Avenue, East Pleasant Run Parkway South Drive to 10th Street – 0.43 miles
Southeastern Avenue, Franklin Road to Five Points Road – 1.81 miles
Allison Pointe, 82nd Street to Dead End – 0.90 miles
Allisonville Road, Binford Boulevard to 82nd Street – 5.5 miles
East Street, Sanders Street to Fletcher Avenue – 0.72 miles

2010 – 7.86 MILES
Illinois Street, New York Street to 16th Street – 1.17 miles
Cold Springs Road, Lafayette Road to Granada Circle – 0.88 miles
Lafayette Road, County Line to 71st Street – 3.60 miles
Southeastern Avenue, South Sheridan Avenue to Hunter Road – 0.57 miles
Raymond Avenue, Sherman Drive to Southeastern Avenue – 1.64 miles

2011 PLANNED – 32.52 MILES*
Illinois Street and Capitol Avenue, 16th Street and New York Street to Canal Towpath – 10.26 miles
Lafayette Road, 71st Street to West New York Street – 9.46 miles
Madison Avenue and Shelby Street bike lanes, Virginia Avenue (Shelby Street) to County Line Road (Madison Avenue) – 8.14 miles

* An additional 4.66 miles of bike lanes will be added on smaller road construction projects.
Mayor Ballard launched SustainIndy and created the Office of Sustainability in October 2008. SustainIndy is a bold and innovative enterprise aimed at delivering long-term cost savings to the City, building the local economy, improving our quality of life and enhancing our environmental and public health. Its efforts are designed to aggressively move Indianapolis forward in making it one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest.