

Bike Safety Event & Community Bike Ride  
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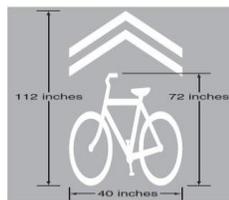
What is a “sharrow”?

Sharrows, or shared lane markings, are bike-shaped markings used to remind motor vehicle drivers that bicyclists are permitted to use the full lane. There are no striped bicycle lanes on streets marked with sharrows. However, with or without marked sharrows, bicyclists are encouraged to travel on streets and follow traffic laws just as any other vehicle on the road. This includes bicyclists avoiding riding on sidewalks.



The Shared Lane Marking benefits include:

- Assist bicyclists with lateral positioning in a shared lane with on-street parallel parking in order to reduce the chance of a bicyclist’s impacting the open door of a parked vehicle.
- Assist bicyclists with lateral positioning in lanes that are too narrow for a motor vehicle and a bicycle to travel side by side within the same traffic lane.
- Alert road users of the lateral location bicyclists are likely to occupy within the traveled way.
- Encourage safe passing of bicyclists by motorists.
- Reduce the incidence of wrong-way bicycling.



Signage for Bike Trails