Bikeable, Walkable Silver Spring



Create The Silver Spring Circle

Challenges in Downtown Silver Spring

Downtown Silver Spring is growing. Young adults, families and older residents are attracted to the convenience of living near the places they work and play. They want options for biking and walking. Silver Spring's carcentric infrastructure has not kept pace and does not support the current needs and desires of the community. There is a desperate need for safe and comfortable bike routes.

The Solution

Create the Silver Spring Circle by converting excess road space in and around Downtown Silver Spring into protected bike lanes, which put car parking or a vertical barrier between bicyclists and car traffic. Lanes on Second Ave, Wayne Ave, Spring St, Cedar St, Fenton St, Cameron St and Ellsworth Dr, along with new wayfinding and bike parking would make most destinations safe, comfortable and accessible by bike.

Benefits to the Community

- Protected bike lanes in the Silver Spring
 Circle will provide a safe and comfortable
 bicycle route in and around Downtown
 Silver Spring for residents and visitors at all
 riding levels. It will also calm traffic and
 improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists
 and motorists.
- Improving bicycle access in Downtown Silver Spring supports local business with easier access to shops, restaurants, entertainment and other businesses, while reducing traffic congestion and decreasing the need for vehicle parking.
- Safe bike routes support the environment and improve the health of Silver Spring residents by promoting active transportation.



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