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New Orleans, Louisiana

CITY SCORE: **39**

In three years, New Orleans has tripled the pace of its network buildout, emphasizing equity and citywide connectivity.

- 1 Plan a connected bike network.** New Orleans went from having no bike plan to adopting a high-quality, 75-mile network of protected bike lanes and bike boulevards.
- 2 Create new bike advocates.** By building a diverse coalition of people, New Orleans was able to create a snowball effect, recruiting new mobility advocates from all walks of life. Non-bicyclists became advocates, united by the comprehensive neighborhood benefits of the bike network.
- 3 Prioritize equity during implementation.** New Orleans used a Bicycle Equity Index to help identify neighborhoods with the greatest need for transportation improvements. In Algiers, that's led to 11 new bike miles and other infrastructure upgrades.

Helpful resources. View [New Orleans' Bikeway Blueprint](#) and a one-pager on [Moving New Orleans](#). Learn more about the [New Orleans Complete Streets Coalition](#) and its [partnership with the New Orleans Regional Black Chamber of Commerce](#).