



LOCKWOOD PEDESTRIAN SAFETY DISTRICT



2016 Accomplishments

The Special Improvement District was created by Yellowstone County as allowed under MCA 7-11-1001 through 7-11-1029. A 2014 referendum was presented to voters living within the Lockwood School District, in which they voted 61% to 39% in favor to create the District. The district serves to enhance pedestrian safety and provide for alternative means of traffic transportation in the (unincorporated) Lockwood area.



ENGINEERING

- Successfully wrote and was awarded a Transportation Alternatives grant from Montana Department of Transportation to leverage funds to build a sidewalk on Becraft Lane.
- Participated on the trail committee evaluating a trail through the proposed industrial park from Johnson Lane to the Yellowstone River.
- Continued efforts to obtain a sidewalk easement near the intersection of Highway 87 and Old Hardin Road to complete the sidewalk from Cherry Street to Old Hardin Road.



ENCOURAGEMENT

- Organized and facilitated **“Bike to School Day”** in May, which featured several activities for 4th grade students:
 - › **Bike Rodeo:** kids brought their bicycles to school and rode them in a mock street scenario, learning about the rules of the road and safety while bicycling.
 - › **Bike Repair:** Taught students on how to place a chain back on their bicycle and remove and fix a tire.
 - › **Safety and Visibility:** Discussed safety while walking during dawn and dusk hours, how to be aware of your surroundings and other safety guidelines.
 - › **Helmet Give-Away:** Gave away bicycle helmets to students.
- Recognition to ACE Hardware and 3G’s Gas Station for their voluntary construction of a sidewalk in front of their new store.
- Developed and executed the **Be Bright! Be Seen! Campaign** that distributed LPSD-branded reflective bands for people who are active during low light hours. Posters were distributed throughout Lockwood businesses, the press release achieved two newspaper articles and one TV interview to bring awareness about Lockwood and active living.





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ENFORCEMENT

- Participated on the committee to update the County road standards for the Lockwood area.
- Engaged with various members of the Yellowstone County Sheriff's Department about Lockwood's efforts surrounding bicycling and walking.

EDUCATION

- Acquired education materials, at no cost, and distributed them to students at Lockwood Schools.
- Submitted articles to the Lockwood School newsletter regarding bicycling and walking to school.
- Distributed Montana's laws regarding bicycling and walking at the Lockwood Water and Sewer District.

EVALUATION

- Conducted the Lockwood Schools parent surveys based upon the Safe Routes to School national database.
- Worked with staff to prepare and submit a budget for FY17.
- Will be purchasing automatic counters to collect data on sidewalk usage.

PARTNERSHIPS & FUNDING SOURCES

- Participation in TEDD meetings.
- Obtained non-district funding from Yellowstone County to execute portions of this work plan that cannot use District funds.

Thank you!



FAST FACTS

CITIZENS AFFECTED:

Over 7,750 people live in the Lockwood Census Tract 8.

ACTIVITIES: Construct and maintain improvements to enhance pedestrian safety and provide for alternative means of nonmotorized transportation in the area.

FUNDING: The District is allowed to be funded with up to 10 mills, estimated annual revenues is \$212,697.

ADMINISTRATION:

Yellowstone County Board of County Commissioners.

CITIZEN GUIDANCE:

Lockwood Pedestrian Safety District Advisory Board consists of 10 members who live within the District.

ADVISORY BOARD:

Meets, first Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM at the Lockwood School Administration Building. Currently seeking to fill positions, please inquire if interested.

CONTACT: For more information contact the Yellowstone County Board of County Commissioners at (406) 256-2701

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