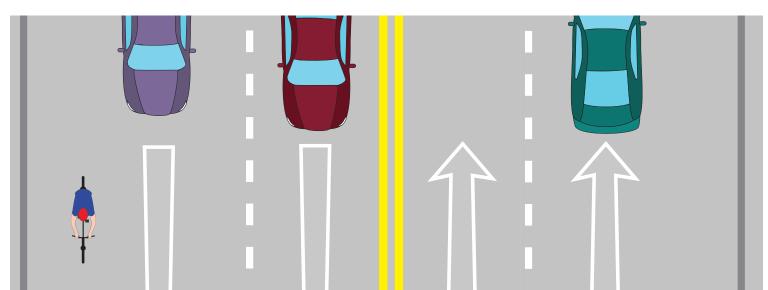
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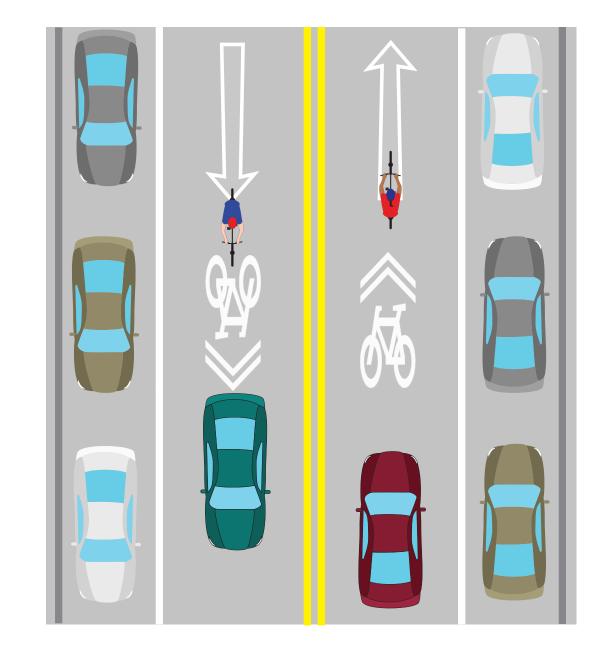
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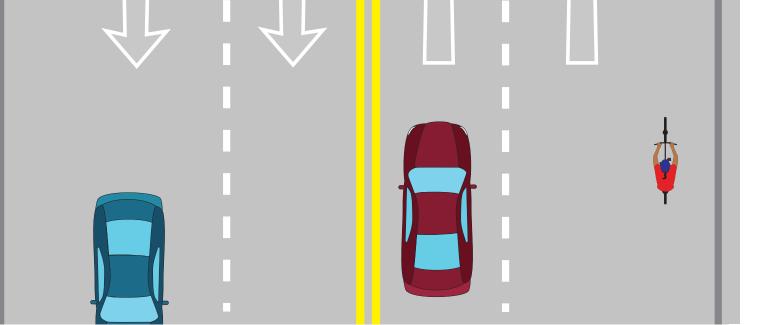
A lane of a traveled way that is open to bicycle travel and vehicular use.



SHARED LANE MARKINGS (sharrow)

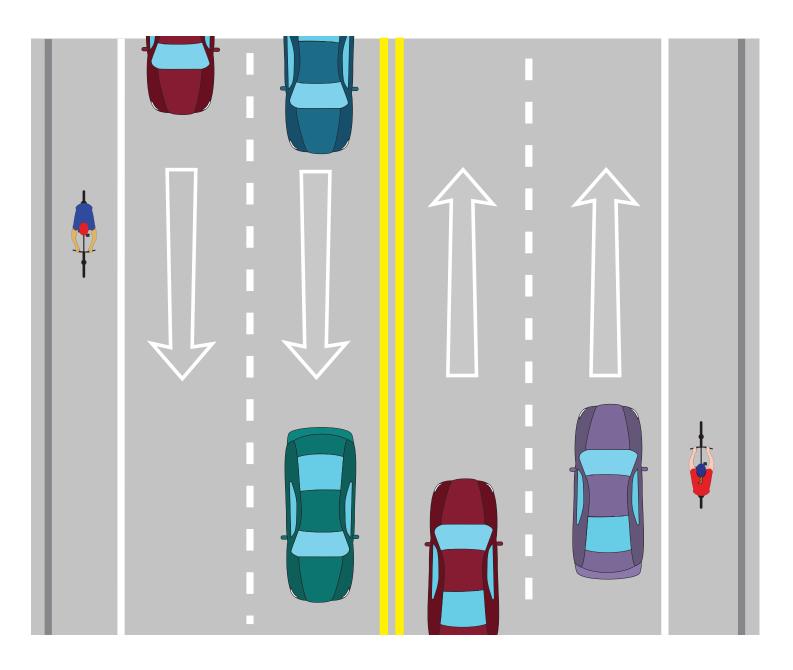
A pavement marking symbol that indicates an appropriate bicycle positioning in a shared lane.





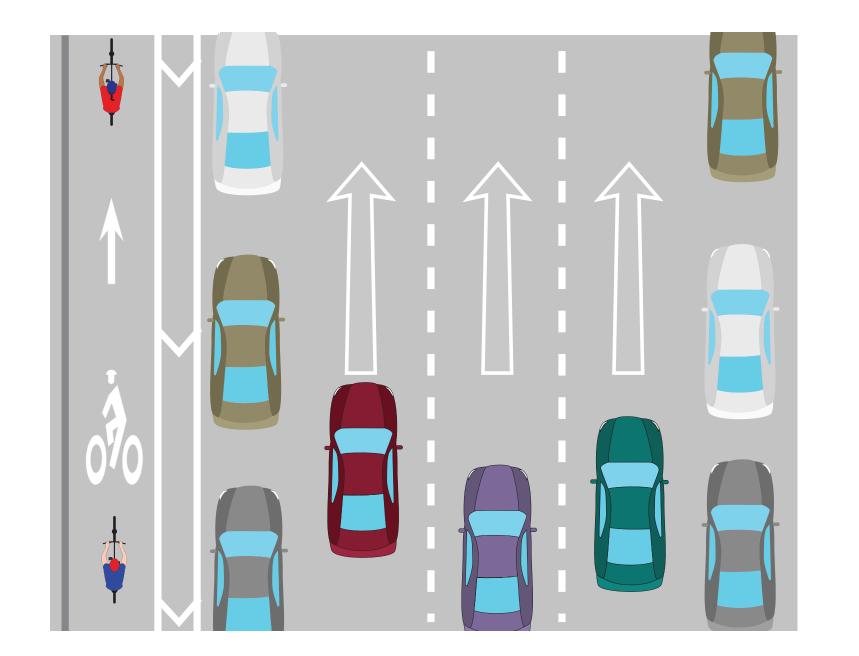
SHOULDER

The portion of the roadway contiguous with the traveled way, for accommodation of stopped vehicles, emergency use and lateral support of sub-base, base and surface courses, often used by cyclists where paved.



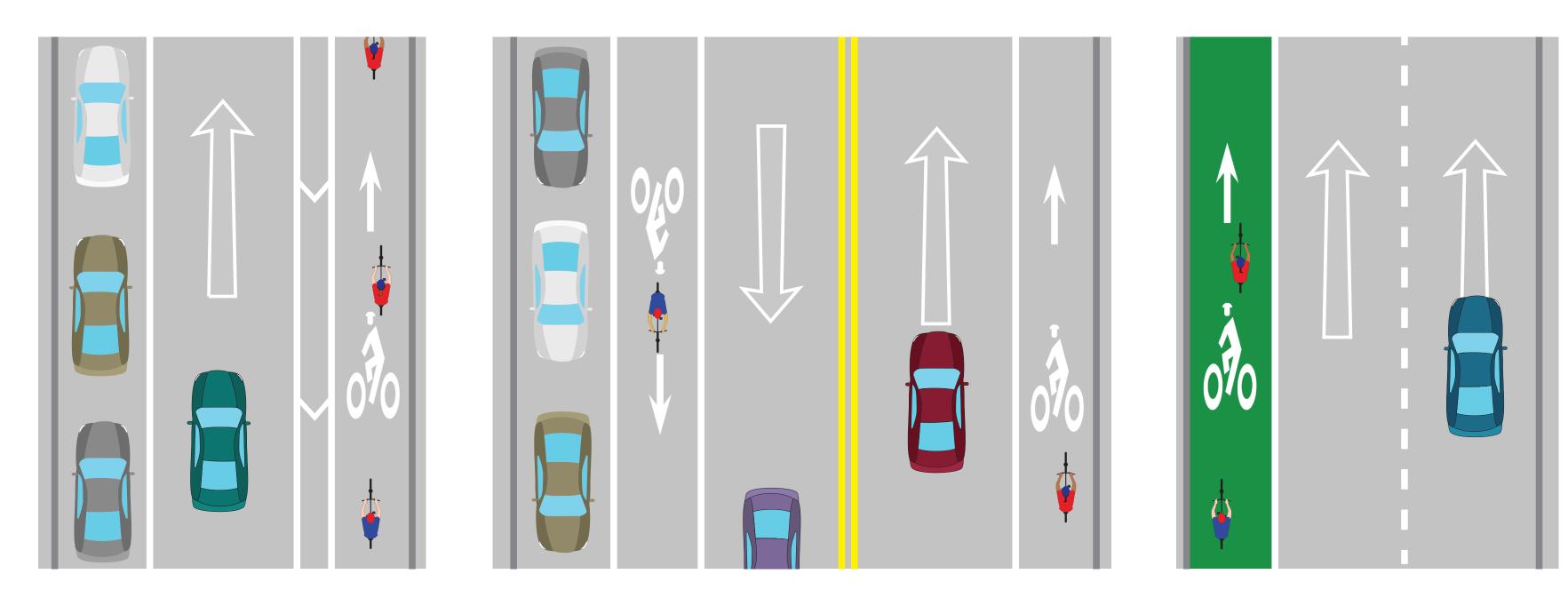
CYCLE TRACK

A portion of a right-of-way contiguous with the traveled way, which has been designated by pavement markings and, if used, signs, for the exclusive use of bicyclists. Cycle tracks are typically one-way (not always), may or may not be raised above the roadway and are separated from the motor vehicle lane by a barrier or buffer such as a rolled curb, cross-hatched paint, planting strip or parked cars.

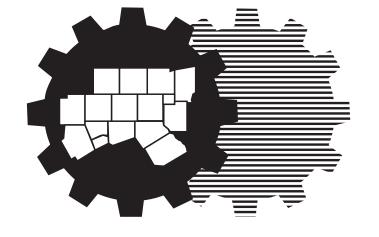


BICYCLE LANE OR BIKE LANE

A portion of a roadway which has been designated by pavement markings and, if used, signs, for the preferential or exclusive use of bicyclists.





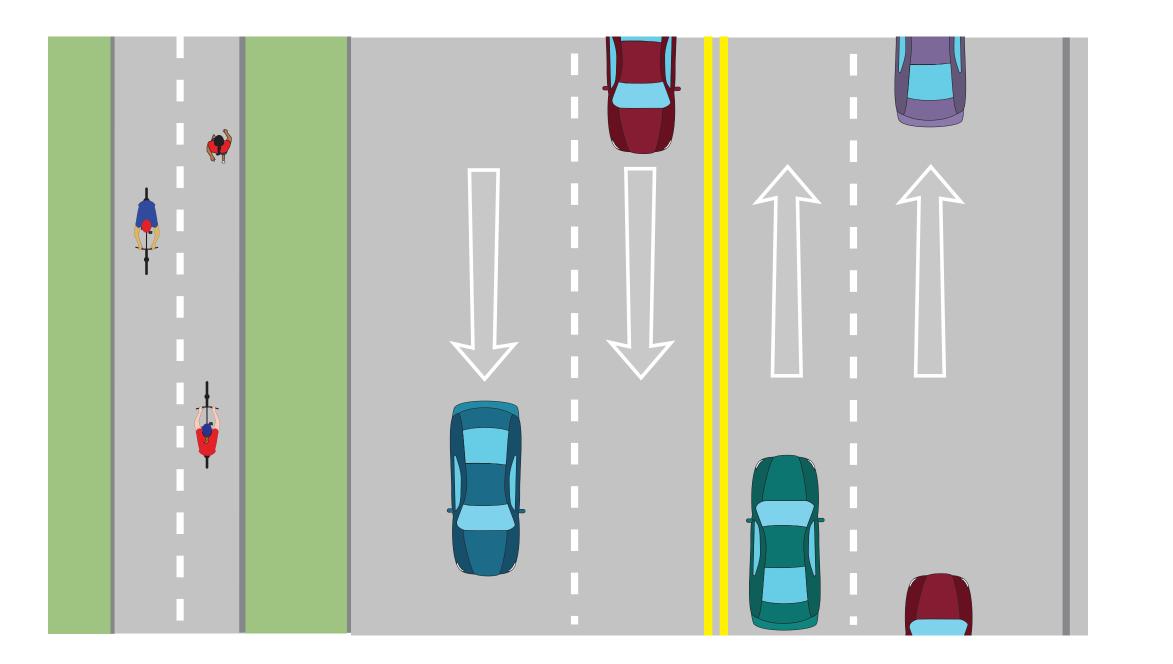


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SHARED USE PATH

A bikeway physically separated from motorized vehicular traffic by an open space or barrier and either within the highway right-ofway or within an independent right-of-way. Shared use paths may also be used by pedestrians, skaters, wheelchair users, joggers and other non-motorized users.



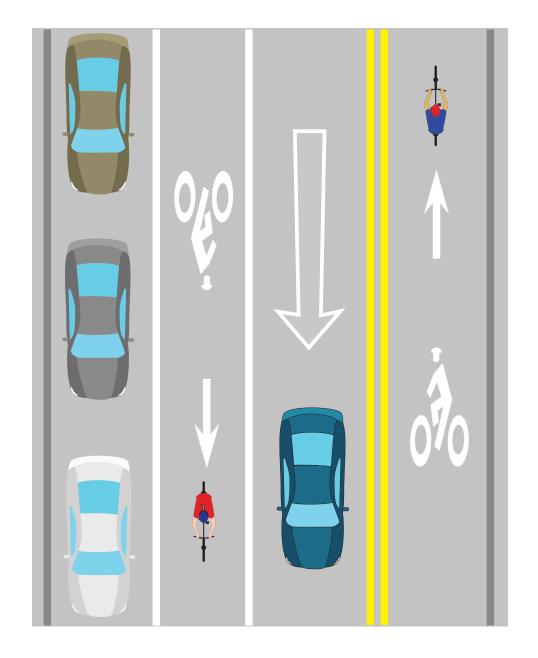
BICYCLE PARKING

Bicycle racks should be designed so that they:

- Support the bicycle at two points above its center of gravity.
- Accommodate high security U-shaped bike locks.
- Accommodate locks securing the frame and one or both wheels (preferably without removing the front wheel from the bicycle.)
- Provide adequate distance [minimum 36" (91cm)] between spaces so that bicycles do not interfere with each other
- Do not contain protruding elements or sharp edges.

CONTRA-FLOW BICYCLE LANE

Bicycle lane separated by a yellow centerline marking on a street with one-way motor vehicle traffic, to allow contra-flow bicycle traffic.



- Do not bend wheels or damage other bicycle parts.
- Do not require the user to lift the bicycle off the ground.

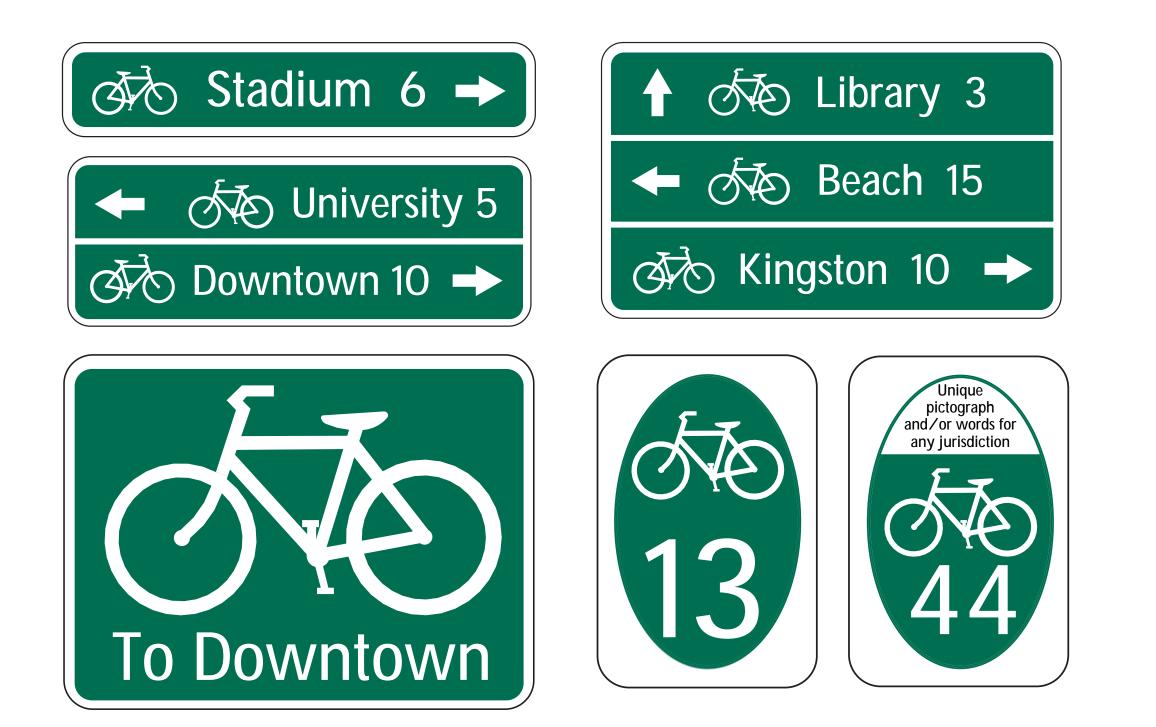


BICYCLE BOULEVARD

A bicycle boulevard is a local street or series of contiguous street segments that have been modified to function as a through street for bicyclists while discouraging through automobile travel. Local access is maintained.

SIGNED BICYCLE ROUTE

A roadway or bikeway designated by the jurisdiction having authority with BIKE ROUTE signs, along which bicycle guide signs may provide directional and distance information.

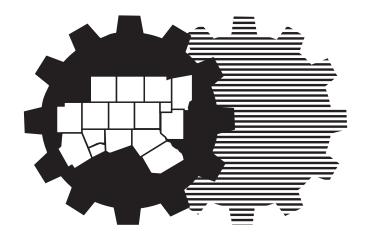


A bicycle boulevard incorporates several design elements to accommodate bicyclists. These may include, but are not limited to:

- Traffic diverters for motor vehicles bikes permitted passage
- Stop signs on side streets to allow free flow of bicyclists
- Traffic circles to slow motor vehicles
- Wayfinding signs for bicyclists
- Shared lane markings where appropriate
- Crossing Improvements at major streets

Every street is different and will require varying levels of treatment.





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