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My wife and I just spent the last year traveling the US and biking in many communities. We came to the shocking realization that our home town, Bend, OR is one of the worst places in America to ride a bike. We felt safer riding in downtown Chicago than we do in Bend. We found bike paths and separated routs with traffic calming and barriers nearly everywhere we went.

Bend should be a destination for families wanting to leave their cars behind and bike/walk to activities.

Please give biking and walking a top priority in the TSP.

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