

SOUTH CAROLINA PEDESTRIAN PLANS INVENTORY OVERVIEW

County Pedestrian Plans



Background

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) partnered with John M. Newman Planning to create an inventory on pedestrian-focused plans that promote walking within South Carolina jurisdictions (counties and municipalities). A pedestrian-focused plan includes design recommendations that create a safe, healthy and efficient environment for pedestrian commuting and recreation. Data for this inventory was compiled through a survey of S.C. jurisdictions conducted from August through October of 2015. All 46 counties and 270 municipalities were provided the opportunity to participate in the survey. This is a summary report of the 35 counties that responded to the survey.

Use of SCAC Member Data

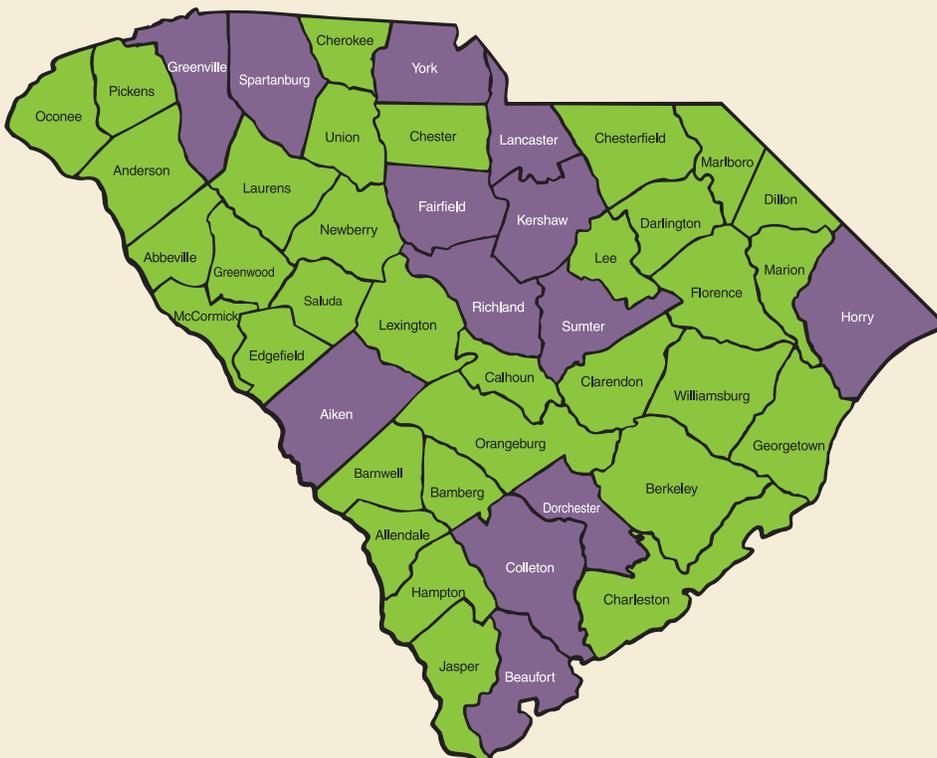
The information gathered from this survey provides DHEC and the South Carolina Association of Counties (SCAC) a snapshot of county pedestrian planning efforts across the state. The inventory data also helps to identify current and future pedestrian planning needs of SCAC member counties.

Pedestrian Plans Information

35 of 46

76.1% of counties responded to survey

South Carolina Counties with Adopted Pedestrian Plans



- Aiken
- Beaufort
- Colleton
- Dorchester
- Fairfield
- Greenville
- Horry
- Kershaw
- Lancaster
- Richland
- Spartanburg
- Sumter
- York

Pedestrian Plans: By the Numbers



Counties that Have Adopted Plans

12 of 35 (34.3%) counties submitting a survey have adopted pedestrian or bicycle/pedestrian plans.

- Including **1 of 2 (50%)** joint city/county planning departments
- Most common forms of adoption: Including the plan within the Comprehensive Plan (**4**) and by Resolution (**4**)



Access to Healthy Foods

4 of 12 (33.3%) adopted plans include safe pedestrian or bicycle routes to access healthy food outlets.



Access to Transit

7 of 12 (58.3%) adopted plans include safe pedestrian or bicycle routes to access public transit.



Plans in Progress

Plans that have been developed or are currently under development, but have not yet been adopted

- **3 of 35 (8.6%)** counties
- Including **1 of 2 (50%)** joint city-county planning departments



Walk Friendly Community Interest

15 of 35 (42.9%) counties expressed interest in becoming a [Walk Friendly Community](#).



Plan Implementation

- Of the 12 adopted plans, **9 (75%)** are in the implementation phase.
- Top funding sources for plan implementation (plans may have multiple funding sources):
 - Federal funds (7)
 - Grants (6)
 - Local options sales tax (4)



Complete Streets

- **8 of 35 (22.9%)** counties have adopted a [Complete Streets](#) policy.
- **2 of 35 (5.7%)** counties plan to adopt a Complete Streets policy within the next five years.



Future Plans

3 of 35 (8.6%) counties plan to develop a pedestrian plan within the next five years.



Regional Plans

18 of 35 (51.4%) counties expressed interest in participating in a regional pedestrian (or bicycle/pedestrian) plan.