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## Help US Build a Stronger Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Network

The LVPC is embarking on a yearlong project to develop a pedestrian and bicycle masterplan designed to create a seamless network connecting every community in the region – and we need your help.

The goal of Walk/BikeLV is to create a high quality on and off road, trail and sidewalk system. The plan will address existing conditions, lay out a strategy to fill the gaps and map out a way to both pay for it and build it.

The goal is also to use public input to help build the plan, and that begins September 26 with the first meeting of the Multimodal Working Group, a committee of the Lehigh Valley Transportation Study, that will oversee the effort, in partnership with the LVPC and consultants Tool Design Group of Silver Spring, Md. Toole Design specializes in pedestrian and bicycle masterplans, with projects dotting the nation from Boston to Austin to Seattle.

Multimodal Working Group meetings will be held at Northampton County College's Fowler Family Center in South Bethlehem on these dates and times:

- September 26, 3-4:30 p.m.
- October 17, 3-4:30 p.m.
- November 28, 4-5:30 p.m.

A Walk/BikeLV **open house** will be held Nov. 28, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Fowler Center.

"The idea of the plan is to enhance opportunities for people to walk and bike throughout the Lehigh Valley, for recreation purposes and to provide alternatives to automobiles for daily trips, including commuting to work," said Geoff Reese, LVPC Director of Environmental Planning.

The plan is expected to be completed in the summer of 2019.