

2025 NC BikeWalk Transportation Summit

Preliminary Agenda

September 7 – 9 – Hickory Metro Convention Center, Hickory, NC

Tuesday 9/2

6:30-7:30 PM **Pre-Summit Webinar - NC Friendly Driver Program**

Oliver Sendall, Programs Manager - BikeWalk NC

Register Here: <https://bikewalknc.wildapricot.org/event-6219696>

Sunday 9/7

5:00-7:00 PM Speaker, Sponsor, and Volunteer Meet and Greet Reception

7:30-9:45 PM Movie Screening - [Crip Camp](#): A DISABILITY REVOLUTION

Location:

Atriax PLLC, 703 Main Ave SW, Hickory, NC 28602

Overflow viewing space:

DeFeet Clubhouse, 706 Main Ave NW, Hickory, NC 28601

Monday 9/8

Location: Hickory Metro Convention Center, 1960 13th Ave Dr SE, Hickory, NC 28602

7:30-8:00 AM – Check-In

8:00–9:00 AM – Breakfast & Welcome

8:45 AM – Welcome remarks begin

BWNC Staff, Board Members, Hickory's Mayor Hank Guess

9:00–10:15 AM – Session 1 – Featured Speaker

Dennis Markatos-Soriano – Executive Director, East Coast Greenway

Meeting the Moment: How We Can Make North Carolina the Great Trails
(& Biking and Walking) State

Location: Catawba 5

10:15–10:30 AM – Break

10:30–11:30 AM – Session 2

Break Out Groups

Conover 1 – *Inspiring Spaces: Public-Private Partnerships*
Panel featuring Yaidee Fox, Lindsay Keisler, Meg Nealon

Conover 2 – *Industry's Role in Safer Active Infrastructure*
Panel featuring Shane Cooper,

11:30–11:45 AM – Break

11:45 AM–12:45 PM – Session 3

Break Out Groups

Conover 1 – *Administering Local Bicycle Projects: From Idea to Construction*
John Marshall & Daniel Odom

Conover 2 – *Enforcement Strategies to Protect Vulnerable Road Users*
NC State Highway Patrol's Chris Casey and other LEOs

1:00–2:00 PM – Lunch

2:00–3:15 PM – Session 4 – Featured Speaker

Ken McLeod – *Policy Director, League Of American Bicyclists*
LAB & National Policy Updates

Location: Catawba 5

3:15–3:30 PM – Break

3:30–4:30 PM – Session 5

Break Out Groups

Conover 1 – *Helene Recovery & Resilient Infrastructure*
Tim Anderson (NCDOT), Jade Dundas (City of Asheville)

Conover 2 – *Strengthening Local Advocacy Groups*
Stacey Wiedrich - Pisgah Area SORBA

4:30–4:45 PM – Break

4:45–5:45PM – Session 6 – Success Stories from Across NC

15-minute talks by advocacy organizations, including:
Bike for Tikes, Major Taylor Cycling Club, Bike Durham, Walkin Roll
Activities League Inc.

Location: Catawba 5

5:45–6:00 PM – Closing Remarks
BWNC Staff and Board

Location: Catawba 5

7:00–9 PM – Social - City Walk Brewing & Distilling, 205 Main Ave NE Suite C, Hickory, NC 28601

Tuesday 9/9

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Stair Climb

Location: Lenoir-Rhyne Moretz Stadium, 601 7th Ave NE, Hickory, NC 28601
Open to all attendees

This year's stair climb is held in partnership with the [Coach Knapp Memorial Fund](#), honoring the legacy of NFL coach Greg Knapp, who was tragically killed by a distracted driver in 2021. Coach Knapp was known for running stadium stairs before every game—a tradition now continued nationwide to raise awareness about distracted driving. Join us in this meaningful movement for safer streets.

8:00 AM–6:00 PM – *Traffic Bicycling for Transportation Professionals*

Location: Hickory Parks and Recreation, 1451 8th St Dr NE, Hickory, NC 28601
Steven Goodridge

8:00–9:00 AM – Breakfast & Welcome

Location: The Warehouse, 408 12th St Dr NW, Hickory, NC 28601

Welcome remarks begin at 8:45

BWNC Staff, Board Members, Local Elected Officials

9:00–10:15 AM – Session 1

—————Break Out Groups —————

The Warehouse A – *BikeWalk NC Friendly Driver Program and Bicycle Safety Quiz: Tools for Safer Streets*
BikeWalk NC Staff

The Warehouse B – *Understanding DOT Prioritization & Project Development*
Brennon Fuqua - NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division

10:15–10:30 AM – Break

10:30–11:45 AM – Session 2

—————Break Out Groups —————

The Warehouse A – *Guidelines in Practice: AASHTO, NACTO, and MUTCD*
Ken McLeod

The Warehouse B – *ADA Compliance and Inclusive Infrastructure*
Steven Hardy-Braz, Joan Lyons, Justin (Disability Rights NC)

12:00–1:00 PM – Lunch & Closing Remarks

Location: The Warehouse

BWNC Staff, Board Members, Local Elected Officials

1:00–2:30 PM – Session 3 – Community Mobility Audit

Location: Various sites in Hickory

Bike and Walk/Roll Audits