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## Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) FACT SHEET

### About the GNRC

The Greater Nashville Regional Council (GNRC) is established by the TN General Assembly as an association of local governments empowered to convene local and state leaders for the purposes of planning and programming state and federal investments into a range of social services and public infrastructure. GNRC serves as the federally-recognized Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) by the State of Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Nashville and surrounding counties. In this role, GNRC leads in the development of the region's transportation plan (RTP) and short-range transportation improvement program (TIP). Through the development of these documents, GNRC solicits ongoing advice on key regional issues from local experts and industry representatives through its standing committee structure that includes the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). More information available at [GNRC.org](http://GNRC.org).

### About the BPAC

The BPAC is a standing advisory committee to the GNRC and its Transportation Policy Board and Transportation Coordinating Committee. It is established to provide guidance on issues related to the non-motorized modes of transportation and comprised of representatives of state agencies, local government planning and public works departments, law enforcement and public safety, non-profit organizations and advocacy groups, academic institutions, and other partners interested in improving traveling conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists. Throughout the update of the RTP, the committee will meet on a monthly basis. Once the RTP involvement concludes, the committee will shift to a quarterly meeting schedule, or as needed.

#### What is the role of the BPAC?

- Contribute to the region's understanding of how active transportation options add to system-wide capacity by improving connectivity between residential areas, recreational and employment centers, schools, and other attractions.
- Help establish a comprehensive vision and strategy for bikeway and pedestrian accommodations that can guide regional and local efforts to plan, prioritize, and implement non-motorized facilities.
- Evaluate and prioritize active transportation elements of projects for the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Provide guidance for engineering, education, enforcement and evaluation activities to improve safe access for active transportation modes.

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