

# Walking & Bicycling Questionnaire for Candidates

This Walking & Biking Questionnaire for State Candidates was developed by Hawaii Bicycling League, Kauai Path, Maui Bicycling League, and PATH - Peoples Advocacy for Trails Hawaii to address current state issues of importance for walking and bicycling. Your responses will be made available online and distributed to our organizations' email networks. Your response will NOT be used as the basis for any endorsements. Your response will be displayed verbatim as you provide. Please respond by July 11, 2018. Late responses will be accepted and will be posted as promptly as practical.

Thank you!

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1. I believe that walking and bicycling should be safe transportation options available to all and we need to drastically reduce injuries and deaths of people who walk and bike. (YES or NO, and any comments) \*

Yes

No

## Comments?

I believe there should be rules of safe vehicular use, which should be enforced to ensure safe walking, biking and driving – multimodal transportation safety.

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2. Hawaii received \$178 million in federal transportation funds in 2018, while only 2% of this amount is reserved for walking and bicycling projects, the state Department of Transportation has the option to use larger portions of these funds for walking and bicycling projects. I support increased use of Hawaii's federal transportation funding allocations for bicycle and pedestrian projects to make walking and bicycling safer. (YES or No, and any comments) \*

Yes

No

## Comments

I support using funds for increasing safety for all modes of transportation.

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3. The state Department of Transportation's 2003 Bike Plan Hawaii provides a plan for development of a network of bicycle facilities to enable those of all ages to cycle for transportation. The plan has not been fully implemented. I support the immediate updating of this 15-year-old plan in order to integrate new bikeway planning practices and make it more applicable to current conditions. (YES or No, and any comments) \*

Yes

No

## Comments

If the plan has not been fully implemented, I would want to assess what has not and why not before embarking on updating the plans.

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4. Eighty-one percent of Hawaii commuters drive as their primary way of getting to work and 12% walk, bike, or take public transportation. I support the establishment of specific targets to reduce dependence on private automobile transportation and increase bicycling, walking and transit use, as Kauai County has done. \*

Yes

No

## Comments

I support targets to reduce dependence on private automobile transportation but, as Kauai County has done successfully, these targets MUST be developed by each community rather than from the Administration and foisted on neighborhoods who have protested the placement of bike lanes and biki-bike racks on already congested streets. Plans should be phased in with education and notice to communities prior to any changes in transportation plans and infrastructure.

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5. Vision Zero is a government commitment to achieve zero traffic fatalities tied with a comprehensive approach and specific actions in engineering, enforcement, and education. I support the adoption of a "Vision Zero" policy at the state level and development of a comprehensive plan with specific actions to achieve zero traffic fatalities. (YES or No, and any comments) \*

Yes

No

## Comments

I am all for commitment to zero traffic fatalities.

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6. Red light and speed enforcement cameras have been proven to improve traffic safety for all roadway users (motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians) by reducing incidents of red light and speed violations. I support the implementation of red light and speed enforcement cameras at high injury intersections and corridors and in school zones. \*

Yes

No

## Comments

I support any program to improve traffic safety; however, I believe the most effective approach is to engage the community(ies) affected by working with them to identify the problem(s) and educate on solutions that work BEFORE implementing any program no matter how effective they have been in other jurisdictions.

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7. Describe ways that you have supported safer walking and bicycling in your community. (short answer) \*

I am a member of our neighborhood watch Citizen Patrol and walk our neighborhood weekly to report on unsafe activities in the district.

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8. The State has the Bike Plan Hawaii (2003) and the Statewide Pedestrian Master Plan (2013) for bicycle and pedestrian improvements. What will you do when elected to implement these plan? (short answer) \*

I will work with my district residents to discuss the plans and work with them to implement what will work for our district to ensure safe and consistent application for all users of our streets and roads.

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