

# THUMB REGION NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION PLAN - UNIONVILLE

## INTRODUCTION

The counties of Tuscola, Sanilac and Huron have joined to develop a regional non-motorized transportation plan. The focus of this project is M-25 corridor and the waterfront communities and destinations. The plan is very implementation oriented looking to identify realistic projects that will effect noticable improvements to bicycling and walking conditions in the region.

This document presents the recommendations for Unionville. A complete report of the recommendations for the entire region is available for download at: [www.greenwaycollab.com/ThumbNoMo](http://www.greenwaycollab.com/ThumbNoMo)

## PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS FOR UNIONVILLE

Unionville is located on the west side of the region in Tuscola County and known as the "Gateway to the Thumb." It has a population of 508. Unionville ranks 81st out of 93 Michigan communities with a population between 500 and 1,000 in terms of the total number of people who walk (2.1%), bike (0%), and use transit (0%) to work.

There currently are no bike lanes in the downtown area however, a walking pathway was recently constructed in one of the local parks. One of the most challenging places for pedestrians is crossing N Unionville Road at Bay Street.

Bike lanes can be added to a portion of Unionville Road (M-25) in the downtown area through lane narrowing and removal of extra lanes. Due to the existing road width, bike lanes cannot be added to Bay Street in the near-term. However, next time the road is reconstructed bike lanes should be added to this roadway by paving the shoulders.

Neighborhood connector routes are recommended to provide an alternative route for M-25 in the village and to provide connections to local parks and schools in the community. Wayfinding signage, traffic calming, and safe road crossings should be incorporated into the routes.

