



2011 Bike News



TLC is targeting Kingfield for a **Mode Shift Campaign** this summer—8 neighbors have already expressed interest in working on this. The first meeting is **May 31, 6 PM, MLK Park**. *All are welcome to join us at this initial meeting!*

RiverLake Greenway Opening is Saturday June 11—Kingfield is hosting a bike decorating station and partnering with another organization to offer a bike obstacle course. *We are looking for volunteers to help from 3-4 PM. We are also looking for volunteers BEFORE June 11 to brainstorm & implement a 40th Street Pedestrian Bridge decorating project!*

Blaisdell and 1st Avenue Bike Lanes will be built this year, and a grand opening—multi-neighborhood, organized by the City—will happen towards the end of the project.

Bike Racks: KFNA is working with businesses to locate racks (at 50% off!) at many local businesses: [Sunstreet Breads](#) and [Blackbird](#) are two of the businesses locations that will be receiving new racks. Thanks to a Federal Grant we have finally received a beautiful NEW RACK at the Kingfield Farmers' Market too!

Ciclovía, otherwise known as **Open Street Minneapolis**, is **Sunday June 12**, 10 AM-2 PM from 22nd to 42nd Street on Lyndale. This biking/pedestrian event will close Lyndale to car traffic. By opening up the streets for people to walk, bike, run and skate for a day, we get an opportunity to experience our city in a whole new way.

Family Biking Fridays: It seems there's a summer camp for just about every sport, except for youth cycling. To fill that gap, a grassroots cycling club started in South Minneapolis two summers ago. Take a bunch of kids, a handful of parents, our second-to-none trail system, and you've got a **summer Friday that's hard to beat!** A different 16-22 mile route is established for each week, with a fun food destination spot in the middle. Rides usually start around 10am and finish about 2pm. Most depart from Lake Calhoun or Lake Harriet, with stops made along the way to pick up riders choosing abridged routes. There's no cost to participate, other than your own wheels and treat money at the destination point. Contact Angela Gustafson at angela@ootbooks.com with questions or to be added to the email group list.

The **40th Street Pedestrian Bridge** is getting a minor re-do paid for by the city. The main concern was the way the bridge dumps out onto 2nd avenue. A public meeting was held and we were able to work with Bryant neighbors to influence the bump-out design on 2nd Ave so it can be used by folks biking on both sides of the street (into and off of the ramp). Additionally, if the side-by-side pedestrian bridge ever gets built, there will be a bump-out for that other bridge already in place. This bump-out should also help to slow motorists through this intersection.

For more information visit www.kingfield.org and <http://kingfield.org/transportation/>

If you have questions on any of these or want to volunteer contact Sarah at sarah@kingfield.org or 612.823.5980.