

TO: BPAC
FROM: Bike Santa Fe
RE: Results of Priority exercise from the Winter Social
DATE: March 19, 2026



At the Winter Social event we gave members and attendees the opportunity to vote on a list of potential priorities that cyclists would like to see happen in Santa Fe. Each participant had three red dots and was asked to place one dot next to the item they felt is most important.

Here are the aggregated results of the survey:
(1 red dot = 1 vote)

1. We need protected bike lanes, not just white stripes - **30 votes**
2. More bike racks across the city - **7 votes**
3. Improved connectivity so that all areas (residential, commercial, parks, etc) can be reached by bicycle safely - **24 votes**
4. More community events such as Summer of Bike, Bike to Work Day, and annual Bike Swap - **6 votes**
5. Increase use of wayfinding signs, bike maps, etc. - **5 votes**
6. Improved maintenance of bike lanes and trails - **13 votes**
7. More education on bike safety for motorists and bikers (such as Idaho Stop law) - **13 votes**
8. Programs to help get kids on bikes and teach them to ride safely - **14 votes**
9. Signs/stencils on trails describing trail etiquette (i.e. stay to the right; alert when passing, etc.) - **7 votes**
10. Other, as input by attendees:
 - a. Separate bike lane on Artist Road - **1 vote**
 - b. Retrofit bike lanes (striping) - **1 vote**

Written-in comments:

1. "Paint is not infrastructure."
2. [Shoulder of Rabbit Road needs maintenance.]
3. "Cars can easily ignore paint lines." (in reference to protected bike lanes)
4. "So many more people would ride if they felt protected - it doesn't have to be a huge investment." (in reference to protected bike lanes)
5. "Protected bike lanes would have to be snow plowed and swept or else it would just push us all into narrower travel lanes."
6. "Need to elevate Bike Santa Fe's public profile to be more effective advocates."
7. "We need to make [biking safer]!"
8. "Better bike/ped accommodation during construction and temporary traffic control plans and can BPAC review TTCPs?"
9. "City ordinance for events to require bike valet! Part of climate, vision zero and health goals!"