

Mayors' Challenge Updates -- March 2

National Bike Summit: We are organizing two sessions with Mayors Challenge components at next week's National Bike Summit. The first session, scheduled at 9:45am on Tuesday, March 8, is titled "Driving Bicycle-Friendly Change with the Mayors' Challenge and Bicycle Friendly Community Programs." The panel will feature city staff from four Mayors' Challenge cities (Boulder, Indianapolis, Memphis, and Louisville), who will present about some of their cities' greatest pedestrian and bicycle improvements, and will include Q&A. The second session, scheduled at 9:00am on Wednesday, March 9, is titled "Technical Workshop for Non-lobbying Professionals," and will be a half-day workshop featuring a lightning round of community success stories, presentations updating you on new resources from federal agencies, and networking breakout sessions. We encourage all staff and advocates registered for the conference from your community to attend these sessions to learn about other communities' successes and share their own.

FHWA Livability Webinar: FHWA and the Project for Public Spaces are hosting a webinar on *Fostering Livability on Commercial Highways and Arterial Streets*, scheduled for *2-3:30pm EDT tomorrow, March 3*. You can set up a registration account here. Please note that if you do not already have a login for the FHWA web conference system, it can take 1-2 business days to officially register for the conference (through tech support is available to help get you in if needed). More information is attached.

Fair Haven Mayor Wins Bike & Walk Award: Mayor Benjamin Lucarelli of Fair Haven, NJ, a Mayors Challenge jurisdiction, received the New Jersey Bike & Walk Coalition Advocate of the Year Award. The award recognizes excellence in the bicycle and pedestrian advocacy movement. Over the past year, the Mayor worked to pass a cost share agreement between the county and its municipalities to facilitate Complete Streets improvements on county roads, he led the development of a bike lane network, and expanded outreach to many new stakeholder groups. We commend Mayor Lucarelli for his hard work and for receiving this honor.

Thank you, and please continue to share your stories with us!

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