## About this map

The Regional Bicycle Program has developed this map to assist residents and visitors in finding appropriate routes to bicycle for recreation or for transportation. The roads are classified according to traffic volumes and speeds and the amount of space on the road for bicyclists. What one bicyclist considers a comfortable road may not be comfortable to another bicyclist. This map enables people to choose routes based on the road conditions they prefer. Most local streets are not rated because they tend to have low traffic volumes and speeds and are therefore comfortable for most bicyclists.

Remember that conditions on the roads vary with time of day and with day of the week. Increased congestion during rush hour and construction may call for extra caution. Be prepared to make your evaluation of traffic and road conditions. The user of this map bears the full responsibility for his or her safety.

This map also shows two popular bike routes that are used for recreation and exercise. The Tuckaleechee route runs from Heritage High School to Townsend, with great views along the way. The Louisville Point Park route starts at the park and rides through some beautiful rural scenery.

### Who are we?

The Bicycle Program is housed within the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) and is staffed by a Bicycle Coordinator. The Coordinator helps oversee implementation of the Bicycle Plan and coordinates various programs. The Bicycle Advisory Committee is made up of 12 citizens from Knox, Blount, Sevier and Loudon counties. The committee's duties include overseeing implementation of the Bicycle Plan, as well as updating the Plan, and promoting bicycling as a means of transportation.

### Resources

### Bike Commute Guide

Thinking about biking to work but have some questions? Check out our Bicycle Commute Guide, available on our website.

### Bike classes

Want to learn how to ride your bike safely and confidently in traffic? We offer a class combining classroom learning with on-bike exercises and a practice ride in traffic. Check our website for the next scheduled class.

### Street Maintenance

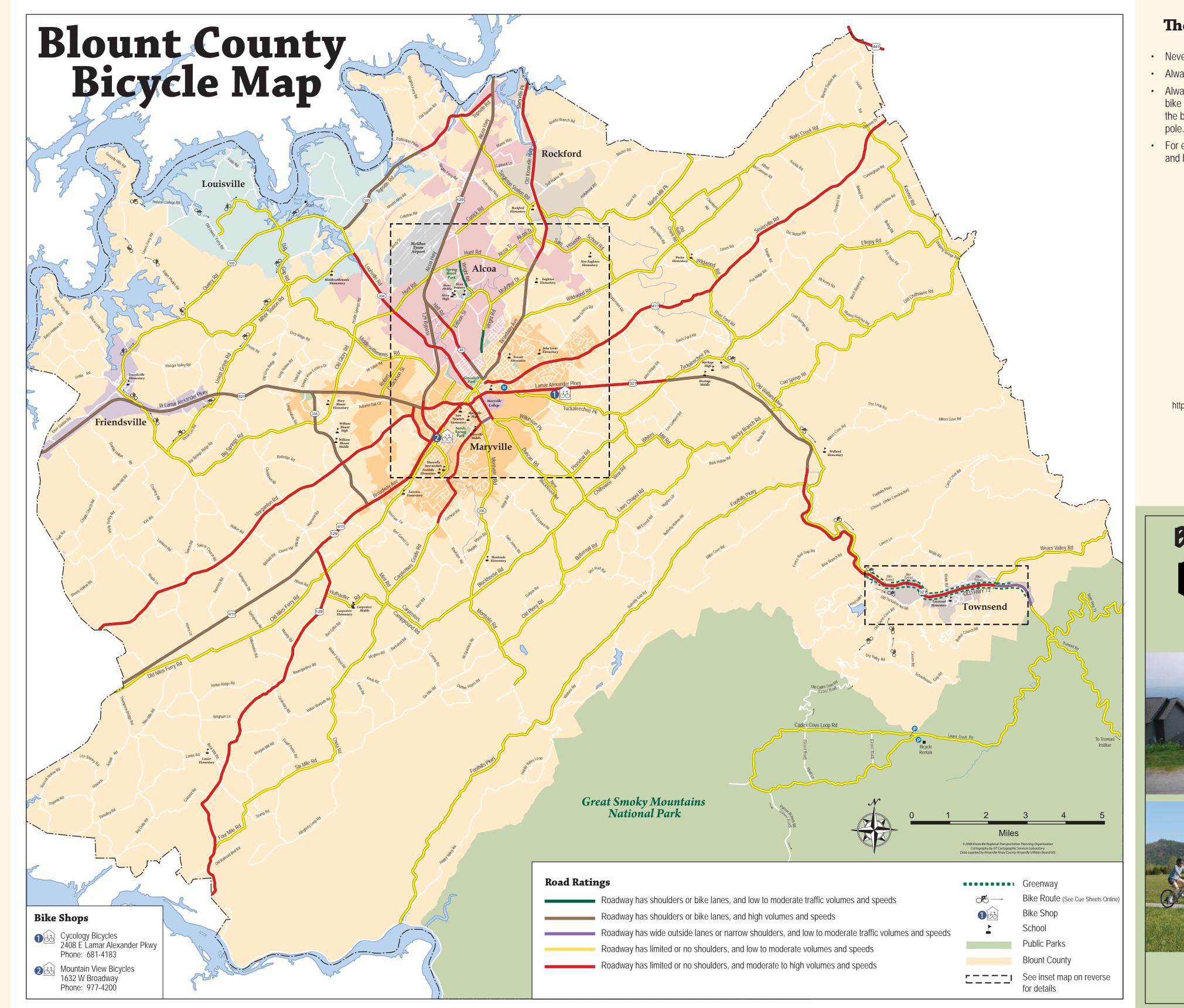
To report problems on streets within the City of Maryville, call 273-3302. In the City of Alcoa, call 981-4146. To report problems on streets in Blount County, call 982-4652.

### Group rides

There are many opportunities to participate in group bicycle rides. Call 675-BIKE to find out what rides are going on, or check the bike clubs' websites. Foothill Striders www.foothillstriders.org Smoky Mountain Wheelmen http://www.smwbike.org

> Visit us online at http://www.knoxtrans.org/plans/bikeprog.htm for more information.

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# **Theft Prevention Tips**

• Never leave your bike unlocked.

Always use a high quality U-lock or chain.
Always lock the frame and front wheel to a bike rack or pole. If using a chain, make sure the bike cannot be lifted over the top of the

• For extra security, remove the front wheel and lock it with the frame and rear wheel.



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