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## CITY RATINGS: WHAT IT IS, + HOW IT WORKS

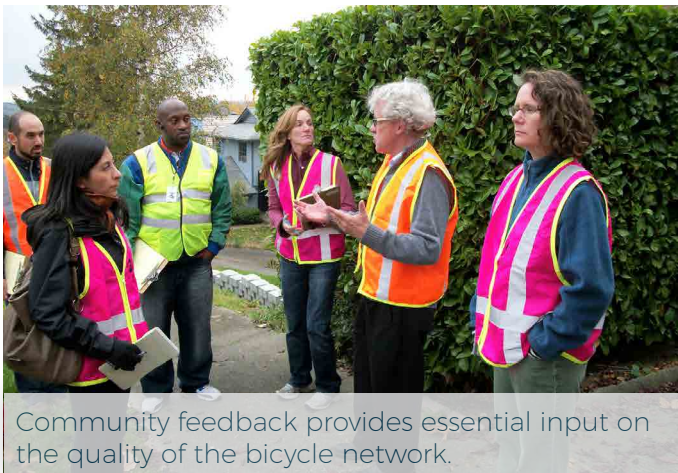
# UNDERSTANDING CITY RATINGS

City Ratings measures how well a city's bike network connects people to every day destinations.

## Network connectivity and community feedback are the foundations of PeopleForBikes' City Ratings.



A low-stress bike network is crucial to ensure bicycle ridership and safety.



Community feedback provides essential input on the quality of the bicycle network.

**1 A connected bike network is key to growing biking.** A city's bike network is the single most important determinant of bicycle ridership and safety. A comfortable and connected bike network to everyday destinations is just as important as the quantity of miles being built.

**2 Our network analysis evaluates the quality of your network.** Our algorithm evaluates each street, trail, and intersection to measure how traffic speeds, traffic signals, and bike facility design affect riders' stress levels. It then looks at how many everyday destinations are accessible by bike using low-stress routes.

**3 Community perceptions help shape understanding of what biking is like.** Community feedback through PeopleForBikes' Community survey provides valuable on-the-ground perspectives that inform city leaders which recommendations to prioritize.

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### HELPFUL RESOURCES:

See how your city compares by visiting the [City Ratings web page](#), take the [community survey here](#), check out information on low-stress bikeways and the [Level of Traffic Stress](#), and read more about [connected multimodal networks](#).