

Project Background

The MN Cycling Center is a recognized 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to create an unparalleled Velodrome to replace the NSC Velodrome that was torn down in 2020. This new facility will allow us to provide new community cycling and expanded STEAM educational programs.

The Twin Cities region is the perfect location for this one-of-a-kind facility. The state of Minnesota and the Twin Cities metro area rank at or near the top of many cycling participation categories nationwide.

Twin Cities highlights include:

- The 2nd highest proportion of bicycle commuter trips in the US.
- More trail miles per capita than any metropolitan area.
- 4000+ high school bicycle racers statewide.
- Two Olympic silver medalists and a 3X track cycling world champion
- Multiple masters national and world champions

Supporters

- Bicycle Alliance of MN
- Dero Bike Racks
- Metropolis Foundation
- Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee
- USA Cycling
- Minneapolis Public Schools
- Minnesota High School Cycling League
- Minnesota Retail Association
- Quality Bicycle Products
- Erik's Bike and Board
- World Cycling League

Help Build the MN Cycling Center

Thank you for considering allocation of space for the Minnesota Cycling Center Phase 1 concept. At this point in the project, our largest hurdle is determining a path for site control. We are grateful for your insights and support for the following in pursuit of our vision.

- Use of land
- Funding for outreach, programming
- Partnership on future construction

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Cycling | Education

The MN Cycling Center envisions a phased approach to building a destination cycling venue in partnership with a local community.

Phase 1: Grass track – a flat grass oval with demarcations and grounds maintenance for regular racing and training activities. This would be a temporary home.

Phase 2: Outdoor wood surface track – an oval track with a banked wood surface, enabling expanded seasonal racing and training options

Phase 3: Indoor wood surface track – an enclosed track facility that would enable year-round training and expanded STEAM programming.

Expanding STEAM Education

The MN Cycling Center is committed to giving kids a leg up both athletically and academically. Our Science, Technology, Engineering, Athletics, and Math programs combine fitness, fun and learning in a supportive, friendly environment. We have delivered 8 semesters of our ABCs - the Science of Cycling after-school program as a Minneapolis Public Schools Community Partner. The MN Cycling Center velodrome would offer an additional resource in the delivery of our STEAM curricula.

The Need

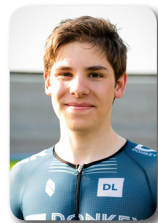
- 2.5-3 acres of flat grass surface - temporary use while we search for a final home
- Primary interest in locations in the metro area near underserved communities for both cycling and STEAM programming
- A location that can support footings for a potential future development of an outdoor wood track and concrete pads for small buildings – for storage, office space, etc.
- Partnership with Parks & Rec for promotion to those who traditionally have not had access to similar programming.

Impact

Once opened, the MN Cycling Center will have a tremendous positive impact on the Twin Cities community and beyond. The Center envisions affecting three main areas, including economic, education, and neighborhood.

"I have spent thousands of hours at the NSC Velodrome with people from all walks of life. From my first day, entering the infield in awe, to winning national championships and finishing in the top ten at World Championships, the track has been my home. The physical structure is where the community exists, but the people there are the most meaningful to me. I hope that the next generation of Minnesota kids can experience that same community in a new velodrome. Please join me in supporting the MN Cycling Center."

Peter Moore, 6X Junior National Champion, St. Paul, MN



MN Cycling Center Programs



Cycling

The Velodrome will showcase the best bike racing from across the Midwest – and around the world. MN has produced 2 Olympic cycling medalists, multiple world champions and countless talented junior racers.

Who will be the next Olympic cyclist to learn in Minnesota?



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