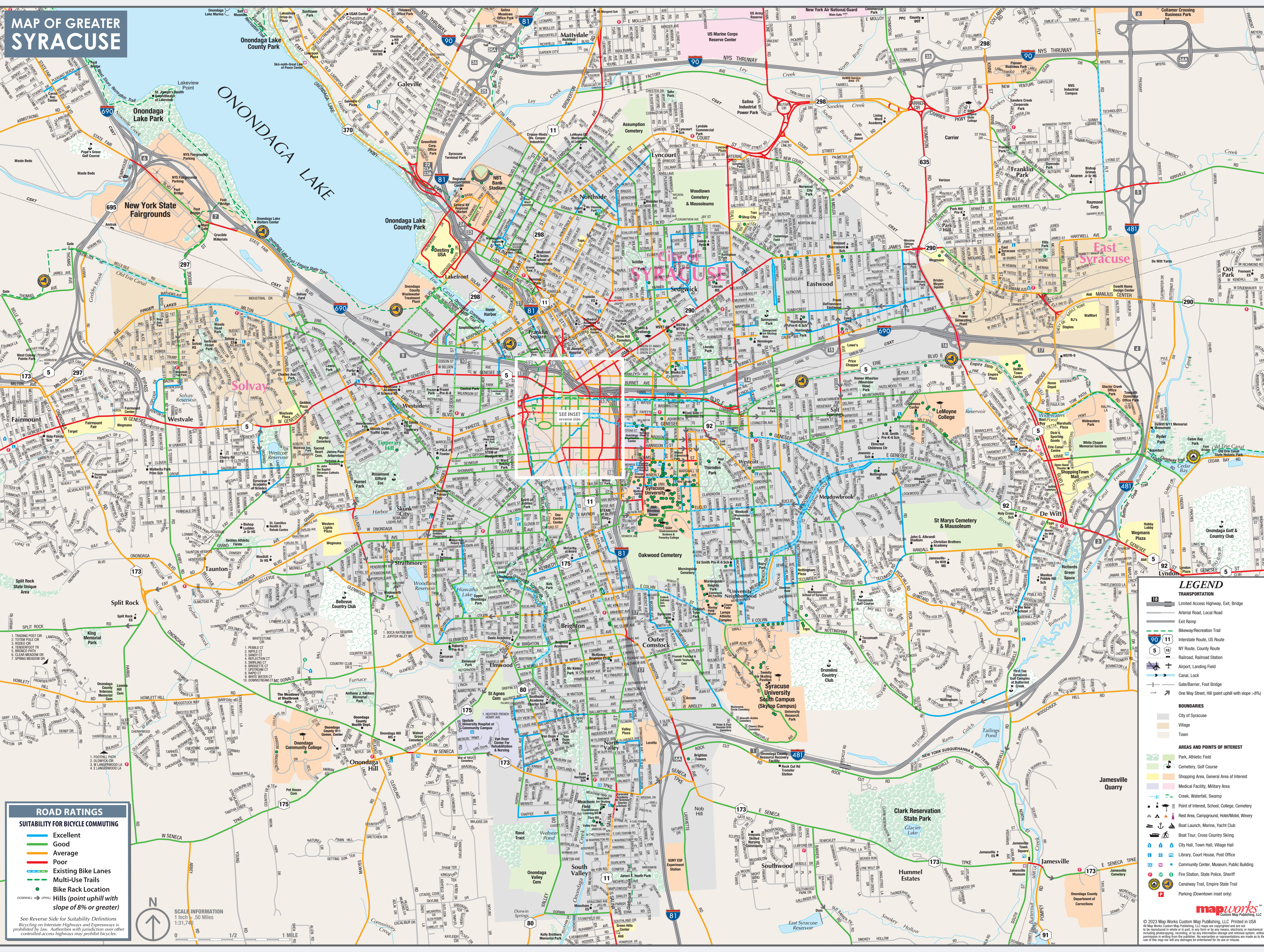


# MAP OF GREATER SYRACUSE



### ROAD RATINGS

SUITABILITY FOR BICYCLE COMMUTING

- Excellent
- Good
- Average
- Poor
- Existing Bike Lanes
- Multi-Use Trails
- Bike Rack Location
- Hills (point uphill with slope of 8% or greater)

See Reverse Side for Suitability Definitions  
 Cycling on Interstate Highways and Expressways is prohibited by law. Authorities with jurisdiction over other controlled-access highways may prohibit bicycles.

SCALE INFORMATION  
 1 inch = .50 Miles  
 1:31,740

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# BIKE SUITABILITY MAP of Greater Syracuse

### LEGEND

#### TRANSPORTATION

- Limited Access Highway, Exit, Bridge
- Arterial Road, Local Road
- Exit Ramp
- Bikeway/Recreation Trail
- Interstate Route, US Route
- NY Route, County Route
- Railroad, Railroad Station
- Airport, Landing Field
- Canal, Lock
- Bridge/Barrier, Foot Bridge
- One Way Street, Hill (point uphill with slope >=8%)

#### BOUNDARIES

- City of Syracuse
- Village
- Town

#### AREAS AND POINTS OF INTEREST

- Park, Athletic Field
- Cemetery, Golf Course
- Shopping Area, General Area of Interest
- Medical Facility, Military Area
- Creek, Waterfall, Swamp
- Point of Interest, School, College, Cemetery
- Rest Area, Campground, Hotel/Motel, Winery
- Boat Launch, Marina, Yacht Club
- Boat Tour, Cross Country Skiing
- City Hall, Town Hall, Village Hall
- Library, Court House, Post Office
- Community Center, Museum, Public Building
- Fire Station, State Police, Sheriff
- Canalway Trail, Empire State Trail
- Parking (Downtown inset only)


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### Safety

- Wear a helmet.
- Wear something reflective and use a bike light.
- Two hands on the handle bar.
- Have proper working brakes.
- Wear appropriate shoes.
- Make sure tires are inflated.
- Watch for objects in the road.
- Ride on the right with the flow of traffic!


### Trails



The Onondaga Creekwalk connects the Lakefront, Downtown, and South Side neighborhoods together, and to Onondaga Lake. This multi-use path is open to cyclists, pedestrians, and other non-motorized travelers every day from sun up to sun down. The Empire State Trail provides a connection to the statewide trail system, connecting Buffalo to Albany along the old Erie Canal. Seven miles of bicycle-friendly trails run through Onondaga Lake Park, from the Village of Liverpool to the Honeywell Onondaga Lake Visitor Center, with a two-mile expansion from the Visitor Center to Hiawatha Boulevard that was completed in 2021.



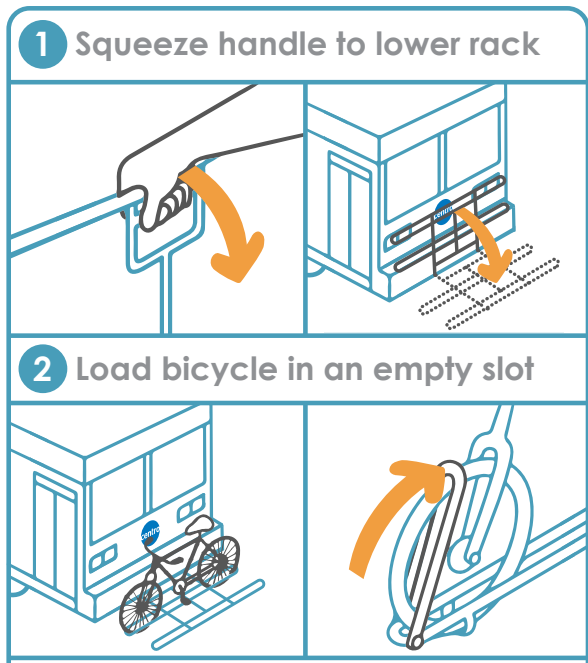
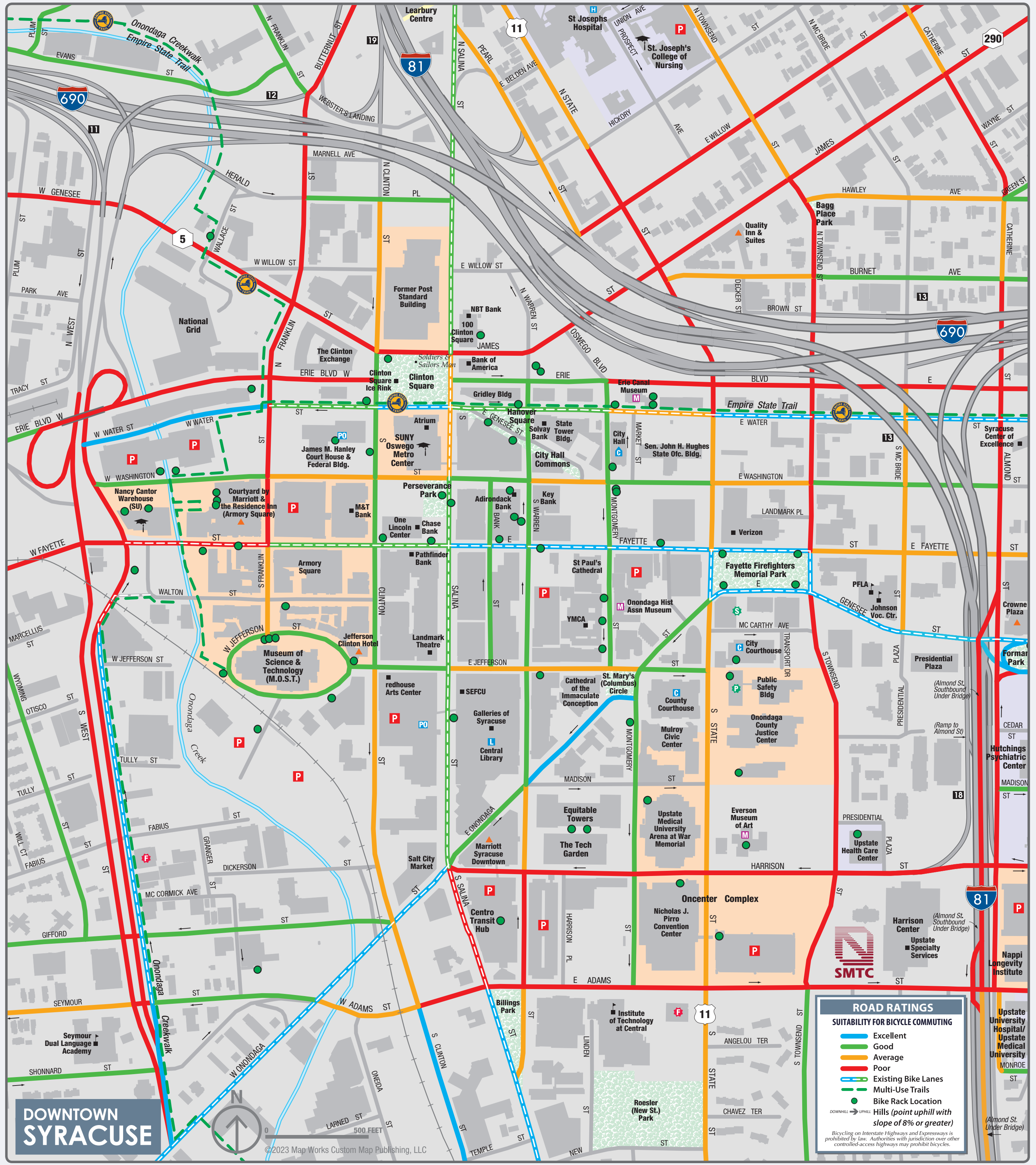
### Bike/Scooter-Share



There's a new way to cruise around the City of Syracuse with the Veo electric bike/scooter share program. The app-based service provides seamless travel across the City, allowing users to pick-up and drop-off vehicles as they desire. The vehicles make our hills disappear with onboard batteries and electric pedal assist. Riders are encouraged to park in areas designated for bike/scooter parking. See the Veo Access homepage to determine if you qualify for discounted rates. Start your next journey by downloading the Veo app on your smartphone today! Veo also provides a call-based system to allow non-smartphone and unbanked users to access their devices (call Veo customer service at (855) 836-2256).

### Using Centro's Bike Racks

- Squeeze handle to lower rack
- Load bicycle in an empty slot
- Raise support arm over front tire

### Bike Suitability Definitions

- Excellent: Highly Recommend**  
Slow moving traffic; low volume traffic & some separation from vehicles.
- Good: Acceptable**  
Moderately traveled with some separation from vehicles traveling at slower speeds.
- Average: Urban Acceptable**  
Moderately traveled with little separation from vehicles traveling at slower speeds; or roads with higher volumes of traffic and some separation from vehicles.
- Poor: Not suitable**  
Heavily traveled with fast moving traffic, little to no separation from vehicles, and/or rough cycling conditions.

### Bicycle Safety Tips

- Stop at all red lights and stop signs.
- Make eye contact with drivers while passing or turning to establish that they see you.
- Always ride with traffic and to the right of traffic, unless making a left turn.
- Riding in a straight line helps communicate your intended path to drivers.
- Use hand signals to indicate turns, lane changes, and stopping.
- Sharrows indicate that bicyclists may share the lane with cars.
- Bike lanes are designated lanes specifically for bicyclists.
- Avoid using your phone while riding your bike. Pull off safely to the side of the road before using your phone.
- If listening to music, only use one headphone/earbud. It is important to be able to hear around you.
- Pedestrians always have the right of way. Bicyclists must yield to a pedestrian.
- In Onondaga County, any person under the age of 18 must wear an approved bicycle helmet while riding.
- When locking your bike, the safest method is to use a U-Lock around the frame and a cable lock through the wheels.
- Avoid riding your bike on the sidewalk.
- Be visible, especially at night, by wearing bright or reflective clothing.

**Pavement Conditions:** Pavement conditions were not included in the bike suitability ratings. To find out more about the pavement ratings within the City of Syracuse please visit the SMTC's website at [smtcmpo.org](http://smtcmpo.org) and look for the interactive pavement ratings map!

**Map Disclaimer:** The color-coded ratings on this map indicate how suitable the conditions are for bicycle commuting in the Syracuse Metropolitan Area. Road conditions may change. Bicyclists may encounter heavy volumes of traffic, traffic conflicts, potholes, loose debris, open car doors, other vehicles, pedestrians, and other road hazards. Bicyclists must adhere to New York State and local bicycle laws, and assume responsibility for their own safety when using this map. Bicyclists must share all roads rated on this map with other vehicles. The Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council, its member agencies, and staff do not guarantee the safety of the rated road segments indicated on this map for use by bicyclists, and accept no responsibility for personal injuries or property damage resulting from the use of this map.

