

# Edward L. (Ed) Barsotti



## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Chief Programs Director, Ride Illinois – January 2016 to present**

- Continue the advocacy, technical, education, and bicycle planning program work below with fewer administrative responsibilities.
- Main organizer for the Illinois Bike Summit conference and GITAP six-day bicycle tour.

### **Executive Director, League of Illinois Bicyclists/Ride Illinois –January 2001 to December 2015**

- Lead a non-profit advocacy organization, promoting bicycle access, education, and safety.
- Extensive technical and advocacy work with government staff and local bicyclists, initiating and guiding infrastructure improvements of bicycle conditions in dozens of Illinois communities.
- Numerous training presentations to government staff on bicycle infrastructure and safety issues.
- Instructor for University of Illinois-Chicago “Introduction to Bicycle Planning” graduate course.
- Development of bicycle safety curricula for cyclists, motorists, and police enforcement, including the [www.BikeSafetyQuiz.com](http://www.BikeSafetyQuiz.com) resource.
- Oversaw a tenfold organizational growth from a \$30,000 to \$300,000 budget.

### **Bicycle Planning Consultant – 2000 to present**

- Headed bicycle plans in Bloomington, Kankakee, Buffalo Grove, Rochelle, Ottawa, Batavia, Palatine, Teutopolis, Effingham, Park Ridge, North Aurora.
- Main bike plan team member in Carbondale, Urbana, Springfield, Lisle, Geneva, Kane County.
- Provided bike plan implementation assistance in Aurora and Batavia.
- Funding strategy and successful grant-writing for Batavia, Aurora, Geneva, and North Aurora.
- Other contracts: Fox River Trail Wayfinding Plan (Kane County), Kane County Bicycle Map, Aurora’s Fox River Trail Gap project coordinator, IDNR Route 66 Bike Route, and more.

## **EDUCATION**

- League of American Bicyclists’ bicycle safety instructor national certification – September 2004.
- Urban Planning and Policy graduate coursework, Univ. of Illinois-Chicago – January to August 2000. “Introduction to Urban Transportation Planning” (including bicycle/pedestrian planning).
- Bicycle facility design training seminars – numerous from 1995 to 2014, including FHWA, Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals, ProBike/ProWalk conferences, others.
- MS Electrical Engineering, University of Colorado-Boulder – August 1990.
- BS Electrical Engineering, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign – May 1988.