Dayton, Ohio) - Pre-registration is now open for the 2021 Miami Valley Cycling Summit hosted by Bike Miami Valley and the City of Kettering. This regional event will be held virtually on May 7 from 10:00 a.m., to 3:00 p.m., with the option to participate in a self-guided ride of Kettering's bike amenities and assets on Friday, May 14, from 12:30 p.m., to 3:30 p.m. The event welcomes elected officials, government staff, local leaders and cycling advocates. Pre-registration is open at www.CyclingSummit.com.

The virtual event will take place over the platform Remo, which will allow for an interactive virtual conference. Registration will open for Remo on April 8, but attendees are welcome to pre-register at www.cyclingsummit.com.

A keynote by renowned "street level" researcher Charles T. Brown, MPA, is sure to inspire. Brown works at the intersection of transportation, health and equity. He serves as a senior researcher with the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center (VTC) and an adjunct professor at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy--both at Rutgers University. He has 17 years of public and private sector experience in urban and regional planning, public policy and research.

This free event aims to use the power of cycling to drive economic development in communities, both large and small, throughout the Miami Valley region. This year's theme is "Safe Cycling for All". Content experts will detail how cycling can improve the transportation, health and economic vitality of the Miami Valley. Sessions will occur in the afternoon and will cover a variety of topics including, but not limited to: a regional bikeways update, winter bike facility maintenance, equity in planning and advocacy and a review of Safe Routes to School programs.

The event is presented by the City of Kettering with additional support from the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission, Greene County Parks and Trails, Miami County Parks, Five Rivers MetroParks and HEAPY Engineering.

Visit www.cyclingsummit.com for details about the event and all it has to offer, or look for us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/cyclingsummit.