

#dialogue

## TO FACILITATE AND PROMOTE CYCLING IN THE SAINT-ÉTIENNE AREA.

Structure : OCIVÉLO



Saint-Étienne

Auvergne-Rhône-  
Alpes

### Project

For 28 years, the nonprofit organization Ocivélo has been working collectively, in solidarity, and as a responsible citizen to facilitate and promote bicycle use in the Saint-Étienne area.

We view cycling in the city as an efficient mode of transportation, well-suited to an increasingly constrained urban environment—discreet, user-friendly, cost- and energy-efficient, highly low-emission, health-enhancing, and a source of physical well-being. For all these reasons, and so many more, cycling strikes us as an obvious alternative to the “car-centric” approach in the city.

### How Ocivélo Works

We carry out several types of initiatives:

#### Reflection on land-use planning:

- Assessing the area’s bike-friendliness,
- Reflection on development possibilities.

### Working with elected officials and decision-makers:

- Regular meetings with elected officials and technical staff,
- Forwarding user complaints,
- Providing feedback on upcoming or ongoing development projects.

Education, raising awareness about active mobility, and encouraging the general public to make changes through various events:

- Bicycle [training](#) (for adults and children) for beginners, those returning to cycling, or advanced riders,
- Bicycle parades to show our support for local cycling infrastructure projects,
- Bike rides or tours with some of our partners on various themes,
- “Bike Travel” evening event to celebrate a bike traveler passing through our region,
- Mobile workshop to introduce bike mechanics to as many people as possible, etc.

### Repairing and reusing bicycles, promoting user autonomy:

- Hosting a repair [workshop](#) open to everyone,
- Assistance with bicycle repairs,
- [Collection](#) of bicycles at the local office or recycling center,
- Sale of bicycles at affordable prices.

### **Reception and self-repair hours:**

Tuesday 1:30 PM–8:00 PM

Wednesday 1:30 PM–8:00 PM

Thursday: Workshop open for [introductory](#) bike [mechanics](#) or bike disassembly [classes](#) from 2:00 PM–7:00 PM

Friday 1:30 PM–8:00 PM

Saturday 1:30 PM–7:00 PM

### **Liens**

<https://ocivelo.fr/>