



New Tools from the T2 Center's Free Equipment Loan Program

June is here, and trail season in Connecticut is in full swing. An increasing number of multi-use trails are being built in our state, and these trails are seeing more users who can enjoy the safety they provide. The [Connecticut Trail Finder website](#) lists 380 different trails in Connecticut. Whether you are walking, biking, hiking, or even horseback riding, there are trails that can accommodate your outdoor plans. With all these new trails being connected, municipalities want to know how many people are taking advantage of their trails. While sending someone out to hand count all the people using a trail is possible, the T2 Center has new counters in our equipment loan program that can easily track all the users on your trails.



We here at the T2 Center recently acquired an Eco-Visio Bicycle and Pedestrian Counter that can help record the number of users on multi-use trails. The picture on the left shows this counter set up on a local trail in West Hartford. The tubes going across the trail count the cyclists while the box attached to the post captures pedestrian traffic. The counter is easy for our team to install and provides all the data you'll need. Along with a basic count of pedestrians and cyclists, the software for the counter provides a great system of reporting that can show all kinds of charts that can support grant writing opportunities and educational outreaches.

Along with this new Bicycle and Pedestrian Counter, we've also acquired three (3) new Eco-Visio Nano Pedestrian Counters. These counters can be used to collect data on pedestrian traffic across trails, sidewalks, crosswalks, and other areas where pedestrian counts are needed. All three of the counters can be deployed at the same time to provide accurate counts during the same time/weather period.



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The software for the counters provides a great system of reporting with charts that show hourly counts, days of the week, peak times, and even daily averages. Additionally, there are charts that show the weather against your pedestrian and bicycle counts. All these reports are provided to you by our Safety Circuit Rider (SCR) Team.



Don't forget that we have other great tools in our free equipment loan program that can assist with your road safety needs. If you'd like to learn more about our equipment loan program, please visit our [website](#) or reach out to one of our safety technical associates, Shawn Barry at shawn.barry@uconn.edu or Jason Hughes at jason.hughes@uconn.edu.

References:

[Connecticut Trail Finder Website](#)

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