



# PROJECT IN BRIEF

#### Location:

Wesleyan University's New Fauver Field Residences Middletown. Connecticut

#### Product:

90 Cycle-Safe® WALLRACKs™

### Color of WALLRACKs™:

Wesleyan Red and Black

#### **Reasons for Specification:**

More efficient use of space, Contribution to LEED certification and Encourage Alternative Transportation

# WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY • MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

Prior to this academic year, Wesleyan University often had more students enrolled than on-campus housing could accommodate. In an effort to remedy this situation, the University implemented a master plan initiative in 2004 which included additional housing to encourage students to live on site. The new Fauver Halls, named for their location on the University's historic Fauver Field, now provide on-campus housing for an additional 270 students.

In addition to allowing Wesleyan to house nearly 100 percent of its student body on campus, the new residence halls relieve the pressure on local neighborhoods to provide safe, affordable housing and parking. They also play a key role in the University's ability to offer an enhanced living environment for current students and attract prospective students.

Wesleyan's administration understood that along with providing additional living space, it was important to include amenities consistent with the value systems of today's students. That's why each new facility was specifically designed to encourage environmentally-friendly bicycle transportation, including incorporating 45 CycleSafe WALLRACKs™ for bicycle storage at each facility. The 90 WALLRACKs™, are innovatively-designed, vertical bike racks, providing peace of mind for the many students who rely on bicycles for transportation around campus and the community. Cycling eases the strain on our environment, promotes good health and contributes to the vitality of a community. The vertical storage system is space efficient, parking the bike against the wall which opens up floor space while allowing easy accessibility. CycleSafe WALLRACKs™ are located in a designated room within each of the halls, providing complete protection from exposure to inclement weather.



The CycleSafe WallRack vertical storage system offers easy accessibility and a secure method of bike parking with the use of a "D" lock.

The WALLRACKs™ design offers a much higher level of security than hook racks which are awkward to use. The WALLRACKs™ feature tamper resistant components, allowing the use of a cyclists "D" lock so users can secure the bike frame and wheel to the rack. The inside location of the WALLRACK™ requires users to access bikes through a keyed room entry system, thus contributing to the overall security of bikes stored. Students can be confident that their bike will be there when then need it, encouraging cycle use.

The University has already received a very positive response on the CycleSafe WALLRACKs™ from its students. According to Robert Schmidt, a Project Manager with Program Management Group (PMG), the organization that manages multiple capital projects at Wesleyan University, the racks are "heavily used, and more than 50 percent of the racks are already occupied."

Schmidt also noted that one of the primary reasons that the CycleSafe WALLRACKs™ were selected for the project is the product's space saving design.

"The wall hung option was the best option for our new buildings," Schmidt said. "This design keeps our floor area open, makes it easy to clean, and allows for a more efficient use of space. The space was specifically designed around the CycleSafe WALLRACKs™."

While the racks are available in many different models with varying capacities, the vertically arranged WALL-RACKs™ as employed by Wesleyan can double bike parking capacity. The space-saving characteristics increased on site security and the reassurance that the WALLRACKs™ offer residents, were the primary drivers in the University's commitment to installation of racks and other secure bike parking options.

"We include indoor bike storage in all of our new large residential housing facilities," said Schmidt. "Indoor bike storage has become a standard for the students."







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CASE STUDIES AVAILABLE

- Corporations
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- Municipalities
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- Transit/Light Rail
- Universities

In addition to benefiting Wesleyan students and the local community directly, amenities like Cycle-Safe WALLRACKs™ have contributed in less direct but still important ways as well. The WALLRACKs™ have helped encourage the use of alternative transportation, thus reducing the amount of harmful emissions released into the atmosphere and creates and encourage the Fauver Hall residents to be more environmentally /conscious in their transportation options.. The ecological benefits of bike parking, as well as the many other green products used in this particular student housing project, will provide the opportunity to earn the prestigious LEED Certification from the U.S. Green Building Association. The WALLRACKs™ play a role to the school's ability to earn points in Alternative Transportation under the Sustainable Sites Category, and the school hopes to earn LEED Certification for the project later this scholastic year.

Resource Information	Web Site Addresses
Wesleyan University Information	• www.wesleyan.edu
Other Universities using CycleSafe Lockers	Ball state University www.bsu.edu    Univ. of San Francisco www.sfsu.edu Stanford University www.stanford.edu    Univ. of Wisconsin www.reslife.uww.edu Univ. of Minnesota www.umn.edu    DuPage www.cod.edu    www.washington.edu/upass/

# CycleSafe's Product Line



#### **LOCKERS**

The ProPark® bicycle locker from CycleSafe is an attractive, pad-mounted modular system that's easy to install, requires minimal maintenance, and provides the ultimate in bicycle security.



#### CYCLEPORT SHELTERS

A modular bicycle shelter system which features a composite canopy with a tubular frame in contemporary design. May be specified with a variety of side walls and bike racks for weather protected short term use.



#### **U2 RACKS**

CycleSafe's "inverted U" type bike racks are the leading edge in technology for bike rack parking and offer the best of short-term cycle parking. The inverted U-rack design for two bicycles is widely regarded as the recommended standard for modern bicycles.



#### **VINTAGE RACKS**

Vintage Racks by CycleSafe are a novel blend of the old and the new. They capture the charm of traditional ornamental bicycle standards. Vintage Racks were developed in response to urban planners' efforts to recreate historic streetscapes as counterpoints to the hustle and bustle of the modern world.



## **WALLRACKS**

The vertical WALLRACK by CycleSafe is an innovative bike hanger that has a clever wheel cage which allows the user to not only hang the bike vertically in a space efficient design with excellent bike support, but also to lock the front bike tires and frame through the cage with common cyclists' D-lock to deter theft while in storage.

#### SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT

CycleSafe lockers are part of the growing movement toward sustainability. The company seeks out the most environmentally friendly techniques for its manufacturing processes, which includes closed compression molded technology – the cleanest and most durable composite molding method available. The thermoset polyester SMC molding process takes less energy than thermoplastic or metal production. CycleSafe lockers are coated with low-emission baked-on polyurethane finish, which contributes to the long life of the project. CycleSafe products are manufactured to meet ISO 9000 quality and ISO14000 environmental standards.



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