



## **Delaware Department of Transportation earns Silver Bicycle Friendly Business Designation by League of American Bicyclists**

On Wednesday December 19, 2018 the League of American Bicyclists, a national bicycling and advocacy organization of nearly 20,000 members, has recognized the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) with a prestigious Silver-level Bicycle Friendly Business (BFB) certification.

With the announcement of 82 new and renewing BFB's across the country, DelDOT joins a growing list of 1,314 local businesses, government agencies and Fortune 500 companies leading the way to transform transportation, health and wellness for the betterment of U.S. workers and local communities.

“Business owners and employers across the country are looking for simple, straightforward ways to build their companies, do right by their workers and customers and contribute positively to their local communities” says Executive Director Bill Nesper of the League of American Bicyclists. “Boosting participation in bicycling achieves all of that and more and BFB's such as the Delaware Department of Transportation are wonderful models of that success. We congratulate this latest class of business leaders for recognizing that one of the oldest and easiest forms of transportation still generates significant economic and social rewards today.”

BFB requirements identify incentives, programming and amenities proven to enable and inspire more people to ride bikes. Among those offered to employees of DelDOT are storage lockers, access to business owned bicycles, shower facilities and an on-site trail system that connects to other trail networks. In addition the DelDOT offers bicycle parking for both employees and visitors and bicycle shelter with a fix-it station and air pump.

According to John T. Fiori, DelDOT Bicycle Coordinator, the most significant action taken by DelDOT this past year has been the repaving of the existing 10' wide shared-use path around the

Danner campus. We also plan on creating a bicycle club, additional recreational rides and company-branded jerseys/t-shirts in the next couple of years.

As a result of these efforts, being a Bicycle Friendly Business DeIDOT and its employees by increasing quality of life, enhancing health and wellness and bicycling is our business!

DeIDOT on other businesses have access to a variety of tools and technical assistance from the League to become even more bicycle-friendly. To apply or learn more about the BFB program, visit the League online at [www.bikeleague.org/business](http://www.bikeleague.org/business).