

Enjoy Arlington by Bike!

PAL: Share Our Streets



As more people go on Arlington's Car-Free Diet, there are more cyclists and walkers sharing the street with drivers. Whether you're on two feet, two wheels or four wheels,

everyone needs to be a PAL to safely share the streets.

Being a PAL means being:

- Predictable—travel in a predictable way; don't make sudden unexpected moves
- Alert pay attention to your surroundings and others
- Lawful—obey traffic laws, whether in a car, on a bike, or on foot
- Visit CommuterPage.com/PAL for more information.

More Safe Riding Tips

Bicycles offer many opportunities for recreation, exercise and personal transportation, but they must be ridden with safety in mind. Following the tips listed below will make you a safer and more confident bicyclist.

- Obey all traffic signals, signs and lane markings. • Ride on the right side of the road with the flow of traffic. Pass slower moving or stopped vehicles on their left.
- Ride far enough away from the curb to stay clear of potholes, debris and sewer grates.
- Be alert, scan the route ahead for traffic, opening car doors, pedestrians and obstacles on the road surface.

Share the road and share the responsibility for making

Use appropriate hand

• Tell motorists, cyclists and

to do. Be predictable.

pedestrians what you intend

your bike trip a safe one. Cyclists, motorists, and

pedestrians get along better when they show

signals

courtesy and consideration.

On Street: Safe Cycling on the Road

• Ride predictably so others can see you and predict your movements. Use hand signals to indicate turns. Make eye contact with motorists and pedestrians before crossing paths.

 Except when signaling, always keep both hands on the handlebars and be ready to brake. Use secure racks or packs for carrying items or packages.

• Go slower and use caution when the road is wet or icy, or when visibility is limited.

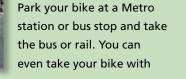
- Be visible; lights and reflectors are required when riding at night. Brightly colored or reflective clothing can help increase visibility.
- Avoid bicycling on sidewalks, especially in areas where motorists may not expect bicyclists or may have obstructed visibility.
- Keep your bicycle in good working condition. Also, only ride a bicycle that is sized and adjusted to fit you.

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) offers an extensive list of laws and safety tips for bicyclists, including where to ride, signaling and changing directions, and helmet use on their Laws and Safety Tips page (virginiadot.org/programs/bk-laws.asp).

Bikes on Transit



Arlington offers many transit options, and bicycling combines well with them all



vou on Metrorail, Metrobus, ART, and most other local bus systems. Bikes are allowed on Metrorail Monday-Friday at any time, except 7–10 am and 4–7 pm. Bikes are allowed all day on Saturday and Sunday and on most holidays. See Wmata.com for more information. For more commuting information please visit: BikeArlington.com/ BikeCommuting

Keep Your Bike Secure



help recover your bicycle if it is stolen. You can report an abandoned bicycle by calling 703-228-4057. Registering your bicycle with the Arlington County Police

The Arlington County

Police Department can help

you register your bicycle,

report a theft and even

Department (703-228-4057) is not mandatory, but strongly recommended. There is no cost for registration. For more information on keeping your bike secure, or to register online go to: BikeArlington.com/BikeSecurity

Bike parking tips include:

- Lock your bike whenever it's not being ridden. Most stolen bikes are not locked up. Lock up even when in a garage or storage shed and lock the shed and garage doors. Always lock your bike to a solid object and double check to make sure your lock is closed.
- Choose a parking location visible to passersby. Bikes are less likely to be stolen in high visibility areas.
- For bicycles with guick-release wheels, lock both wheels and the frame to a secure structure.
- Remove easily detached items, such as packs, pumps and lights, before leaving a bicycle unattended.
- The Arlington County Police Department strongly recommends the use of a U-lock due to larcenies of bikes using chains and cables.



Share the trail and share the responsibilities. Those who use the trail get along better when they show courtesy and consideration.



We're building a community driven movement to make Arlington's streets

more safe—and

we need your help!

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Connect with BikeArlington

BikeArlington.com

#BEaPAL: ArlingtonPALs.org

- Twitter.com/BikeArlington
- Facebook.com/BikeArlington YouTube.com/BikeArlington
- You Tube Instagram.com/BikeArlington

Connect with other local riders: WashingtonAreaBikeForum.com

Find and share a place to park your bike: RackSpotter.com

🔘 CarFree Ato Z

CarFreeAtoZ is the Washington D.C. region's first multi-modal trip planning and comparison tool.

Sick of driving your car every day? Want to mix it up? CarFreeAtoZ aims to go beyond traditional approaches to trip planning, taking a more holistic view of connectivity and accessibility.

Visit carfreeatoz.com to get started!





Bicycle Friendly Business Program



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Bike Map

The **BEST**

Map of

Arlington!

BikeArlington.com

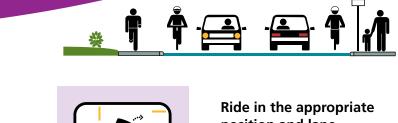
he League of American Bicyclists' Bicycle Friendly **Current Bicycle Friendly Business** Business (BFB) program nationally recognizes **Designations in Arlington County** employer efforts to encourage a bicycle friendly GOLD

• Acme Pie Co.

- Arlington County Government

- Destination Sales & Marketing Group
- Phoenix Bikes
- Trek Bicycle Store (Clarendon)

Stop Left Right>



Yes 📥

position and lane • Do not ride in a right turn only lane if you are going straight. • Move into the appropriate lane early

• In narrow lanes or slow traffic,

it may be safer to take the

Follow all traffic laws

• Bikes are required to obey all

regulatory signs and traffic

whole lane.

lights.



Control your speed • Slow down when the trail is busy, potentially slippery, or if sight lines are obstructed.

• Wear bright or light colored

• Use lights when riding in low

darkness. At least one front

white light and one rear red

visibility conditions, including

clothing with reflective

material or straps.

flashing light.



Keep to the right • All trail users should keep to the right except when passing Move off to the right of the trail when stopping

Bike 🔘

Arlington



Is your work place bike friendly? Would you like it to be?

atmosphere for employees and guests, such as providing

If you'd like your work place to be bicycle friendly, please

pass this information on to your business representatives

(HR, Property or Facilities Manager), and give them the

opportunity to learn how they can benefit from making

• Healthy employees are hardworking, use less sick leave,

it easy for employees and residents to bike to work.

• Supporting bike commuting is less expensive than

• Reduces your company's need for vehicle parking

Why be a Bicycle Friendly Business?

and can reduce health insurance costs

secure bike parking or shower facilities.

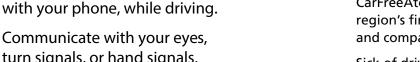




Join the conversation at ArlingtonPals.org!







Communicate with your eyes, turn signals, or hand signals. Be sure to stop at all stop signs

and signals and wait your turn.

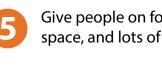
Tips for being a PAL

When you walk, drive or bike.

Don't text, or really do anything

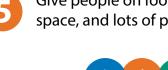
Pass people on bikes with caution and at least three feet of space.

Give people on foot the right-of-way, space, and lots of patience.



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PAL



Predictable | Alert | Lawful

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Be alert, scan the road Always know your surroundings.



Be careful at intersections Use caution since most collisions occur at intersections. Watch for turning vehicles.



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Ride in a straight line Do not dodge between parked cars.







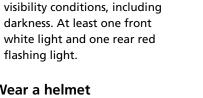


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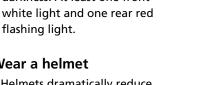


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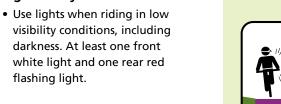
Lights for your bike

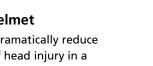


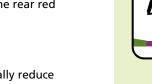
the risk of head injury in a



bicycle crash.



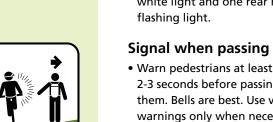




highway: The entire Loop

is off-street (save for some

street crossings).

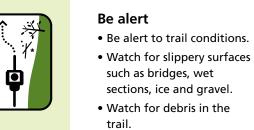


• Warn pedestrians at least 2-3 seconds before passing them. Bells are best. Use verbal warnings only when necessary. • Those being passed can acknowledge with a wave.

Be visible

Cell phone and headphone dangers

• Keep the trails safe and communication with other trail users clear by avoiding using cell phones and keeping one ear clear when using earphones.



Two Wheels or Two Feet: Sharing the Way

Arlington's multi-use trails are shared and enjoyed by bicyclists, pedestrians, runners, skaters, crosscountry skiers, dog walkers, baby strollers, persons in wheelchairs and others. Use courtesy and common sense to avoid collisions — especially when the trails are most crowded. For more information on proper trail use, please visit BikeArlington.com/SharingTheWay.

• Ring bell for others where visibility is restricted.

spaces, fleet vehicle costs and taxi expenses • Reduces your company's carbon footprint and supports a sustainable business plan

an in-office fitness facility

• Employees will see commuting as personal time to relax instead of increasing stress • Employers who appreciate workers' personal needs

have less employee turnover

Need Help?

For more information on the Bicycle Friendly Business program, visit bicyclefriendlybusiness.org. BikeArlington can provide assistance throughout the application process. Organizations that do not yet meet the standards for a Bicycle Friendly Business award can also receive assistance in making improvements and implementing programs for future applications. For more information visit BikeArlington.com/BFB or email info@bikearlington.com.

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• 800 North Glebe – The JBG Companies • Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Institute Ashlawn Elementary School • Association for Sate and Territorial Health Officials • Central Library, Arlington, VA Public Library System • Corporate Executive Board (CEB) • Crystal City Business Improvement District • Eastern Research Group, Inc. Excella Consulting • FI Consulting • Java Shack • Laura Holman's Home Daycare Papillon Cycles • The Cadmus Group, Inc. • Two Liberty Center–Kodiak Realty Services, LLC • Waterview Building – Paramount Group, Inc.

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• 2500 Wilson Blvd (Lincoln Property Co.) Deloitte LLP–Arlington • Gateway Monterey (Lincoln Property Co., 1520 Wilson Blvd) Gibbs & Cox, Inc • International Relief & Development Jacobs John Snow, Inc LMO Advertising • MEPT Courthouse Tower, LLC, c/o Lincoln Property Co. Opower • Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) SRA International The Nature Conservancy • Virginia Teach Research Center Winrock International

Information Directory

Arlington County BikeArlington.com 703-247-6980, info@bikearlington.com

Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee BikeArlington.com/GetInvolved

Trail Maintenance Arlington County: 703-228-6524, trails@arlingtonva.us W&OD Trail: Nova Parks, 703-729-0596

Capital Bikeshare CapitalBikeshare.com 877-430-2453, customerservice@capitalbikeshare.com

Bike Shops & Rentals BikeArlington.com/BikeShops

Other Organizations

godcgo.com

WABA.org

VirginiaDOT.org

Alexandria Bicycle Program alexandriava.gov/localmotion 703-838-3800, localmotion@alexandriava.gov

District of Columbia Bicycle Program ddot.dc.gov/bikesandpeds 202-673-6836, ddot@dc.gov

Fairfax County Bicycle Program fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/bike 703-324-BIKE bicycleprograms@fairfaxcounty.gov

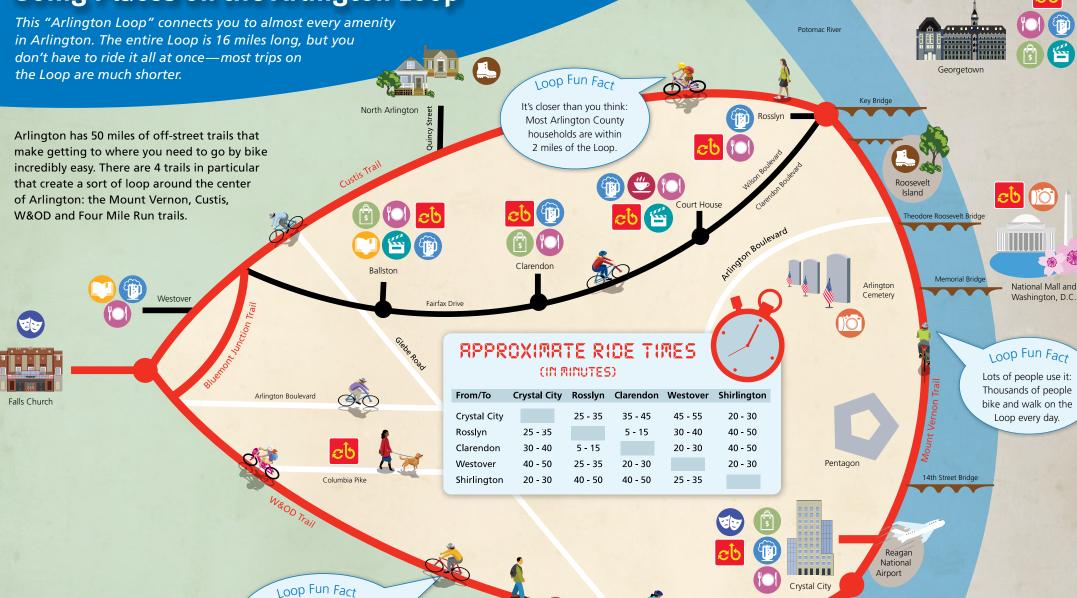
202-299-2186, info@godcgo.com

202-518-0524, waba@waba.org

Virginia Department of Transportation

800-835-1203, TTY 711, vabiking@vdot.virginia.gov

Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA)



Eapital Gikeshare **Going Places on the Arlington Loop**

This "Arlington Loop" connects you to almost every amenity in Arlington. The entire Loop is 16 miles long, but you don't have to ride it all at once—most trips on

YOUR COST = Membership fee + Usage fee (per trip)

take.

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Capital Bikeshare puts thousands of bicycles

at your fingertips. Check out a bike from one of hundreds

of stations across the District, Arlington, Alexandria, Fairfax

and Montgomery County to get where you need to and

return it to any station near your destination.

The first 30 minutes of EVERY trip are FREE throughout your membership period. Trips beyond 30 minutes will incur usage fees. Visit capitalbikeshare.com/pricing for membership costs and usage fees



Real Time Bike and Station Information



Bicycle Education Classes

To promote safe and fun riding, Arlington County and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA) offer classes to educate you on the skills you need to incorporate bicycling into your daily routine. Classes range from the basic "Learn to Ride" class for adults who never learned to ride a bicycle to the urban road riding class for people looking for on-bike safety instruction. Visit BikeArlington.com/ Education and Waba.org/Education for the full schedule of classes in Arlington and around the region.

FREE Group Seminars and Presentations

If you're interested in getting your colleagues, friends, family, students, classmates or others together to learn how to make the best of Arlington's plentiful bicycle









For more information on things to do in Arlington, go to CarFreeDiet.com/partners For tips on how to be a PAL and share our streets safely and courteously, go to CommuterPage.com/PAL This map is representative -- not geographically accurate.



tips, route selection, bicycle choice, dealing with cargo and clothing, bike parking, lighting and more! To schedule a seminar or presentation, contact us at info@bikearlington.com.

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