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ICYMI: Tampa Named Number One in Nation for Bicycle Friendly Businesses

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Today, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) shared that Tampa has been named the number one city in the country for Bicycle Friendly Businesses (BFB) by the League of American Bicyclists. The [Bicycle Friendly Business program](#) recognizes businesses' efforts through an award system based on five essential elements to being bicycle friendly: Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Evaluation and Planning, and Equity and Inclusion.

"It's exciting to see more and more cities such as Tampa embracing and encouraging safe, efficient multimodal transportation options," said Florida Department of Transportation Secretary Kevin J. Thibault, P.E. "The Florida Department of Transportation appreciates this recognition from the Bicycle Friendly Business program as well as their efforts to recognize businesses going the extra mile for their employees and communities."

Tampa currently has 66 certified BFBs such as Tampa International Airport and Tampa General Hospital. Nine new businesses were added to the list in 2021, and six businesses renewed and improved their level of certification.

The BFB program requires businesses to support and promote cycling to their customers, employees, and the community by providing bike parking, safety education, and promotions for retail customers who arrive by bike.

To learn more about the list of Tampa Bay Bicycle Friendly Businesses, go to www.bikewalktampabay.org/bfb/.

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The Florida Department of Transportation's mission is to provide a safe transportation system that ensures the mobility of people and goods, enhances economic prosperity, and preserves the quality of the state's environment and communities. The department is committed to building a transportation system that not only fits the current needs of Florida's residents and visitors, but also enhances mobility throughout the state to accommodate its consistent and rapid growth. The unique nature of the Sunshine State and its year-round warm climate provides numerous opportunities to achieve the department's mission through multiple transportation modes including highways/streets, air, rail, sea, spaceports, transit, and the ever-expanding deployment of bicycle & pedestrian facilities.