

The Arvada Gardeners have been named a Bronze Bicycle Friendly Business by the League of American Bicyclists

Today, the League of American Bicyclists recognized the Arvada Gardeners and the Arvada Community Garden with a Bronze Bicycle Friendly BusinessSM (BFBSM) award, joining over 1,000 visionary businesses across the country that have received the award.

With the announcement of 58 new and renewing BFBs today, the Arvada Gardeners join a cutting-edge group of 1,118 current Bicycle Friendly Businesses, made up of local businesses, government agencies, and Fortune 500 companies in all 50 states and Washington, DC, that are transforming the American workplace.

“The League of American Bicyclists is excited to recognize this latest group of new and renewing Bicycle Friendly Businesses for making their workplaces and their communities safer, happier, healthier, and more sustainable through bicycling,” said Amelia Neptune, Director of the Bicycle Friendly America program. “We applaud these businesses, including the Arvada Gardeners, for leading the charge in creating a more bicycle-friendly America for everyone.”

The Arvada Gardeners are the first ever community garden to be recognized by the League of American Bicyclists and also the first business in Arvada to be so designated. The Arvada Gardeners used the City of Arvada’s own Silver Level Bike Friendly Community status to bolster their application. Their community garden encourages bicycling as an easy option for transportation and provides amenities such as a safe and locked bike parking area (installed through a neighborhood grant from the city of Arvada), shelter from the elements, bottled water, reusable bags to carry home produce and the availability of garden tools at the garden.

Moving forward, the Arvada Gardeners will have access to a variety of tools and technical assistance from the League to become even more bicycle-friendly. When their gardeners and visitors bike, great things happen: reduced healthcare costs, healthy exercise as well as healthy vegetables, connection to the Arvada community, and an enjoyable gardening culture. A 12” square sign (see attached) will be mounted at the garden to identify it as a Bike Friendly Business.

To apply or learn more about the BFB program, visit the League online at www.bikeleague.org/business

About the Bicycle Friendly America Program

To learn more about building a Bicycle Friendly America, including the Bicycle Friendly CommunitySM, Bicycle Friendly StateSM, Bicycle Friendly Business, and Bicycle Friendly UniversitySM programs, visit www.bikeleague.org/BFA

The League of American Bicyclists is leading the movement to create a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone. As leaders, our commitment is to listen and learn, define

standards and share best practices to engage diverse communities and build a powerful, unified voice for change.