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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Washington named a Bronze Bicycle Friendly Community

The League of American Bicyclists has recognized the City of Washington with a Bronze Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) award, which acknowledges Washington's commitment to improving conditions for bicycling through investment in bicycling promotion, education programs, infrastructure and pro-bicycling policies. Washington is one of only sixteen communities in Illinois to receive a BFC award and it joins over 400 communities from across the country that have taken steps to help transform neighborhoods and enhance the quality of life for residents.

This summer, the City completed construction of a ¾ mile shared use path along Cruger Road between Cummings Lane and Nofsinger Road and installed sharrows on Jefferson Street. An extension of the Cruger Road path from Nofsinger Road to Main Street is anticipated in FY 2018/2019.

"I'm proud of our City and its effort to create a friendly environment for recreation. Also, I'd like to thank [Russell's Cycling & Fitness](#) and our other community partners for encouraging all of us to stay healthy," said Mayor Gary Manier.

"We applaud these communities for making bicycling a safe and convenient option for transportation and recreation," said Bill Nesper, Executive Director at the League of American Bicyclists. "We are encouraged by the growing number of leaders who see bicycling as a way to build more vibrant, healthy, sustainable and connected communities and be a part of the solution to many complex challenges faced at both the community and national levels. We look forward to continuing to work with these communities as we move closer to our mission of creating a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone."

To learn more about the BFC program, visit [bikeleague.org/community](http://bikeleague.org/community).



### **Washington, Illinois**

*The City of Washington is a vibrant community offering a high quality of life supported by excellent schools, safe neighborhoods, diverse parks and recreation offerings, and a resident population motivated by volunteerism and community involvement. Our traditions include our historic downtown square, service oriented businesses, and family friendly amenities. For more information, visit [www.ci.washington.il.us](http://www.ci.washington.il.us)*