



Northern Virginia Regional Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 19-14

PATRON: Robert W. Lazaro, Jr.
Executive Director

DATE: January 24, 2019

AUTHORIZATION CONTRACT FOR BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TRAINING LICENSING WITH THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS

WHEREAS, the safety of pedestrians and bicycles in the Commonwealth of Virginia is of great concern to elected officials and those who promote non-motorized transportation alternatives; and

WHEREAS, pedestrian and bicycle accidents continue to make up a significant proportion of the Commonwealth's traffic injuries and fatalities, with crashes involving pedestrians remains too high with pedestrian crashes resulting in fatalities up from 21 in 2017 to 29 in 2018, and injuries remaining between 621 and 570 for the past three years.

WHEREAS, the Commission has supported the Share Virginia Roads bicycle pedestrian safety campaign since 2005, offering the only regional and statewide opportunity for all safety staff and advocates to work together, and the only safety guides with the laws and best practices for Virginia for bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists;

WHEREAS, the NVRC program, Share Virginia Roads, has distributed over 200,000 safety guides, tip sheets, and offers a popular website www.sharevaroads that is used in Northern Virginia and throughout the state, and

WHEREAS, since 2014, NVRC has offered direct outreach and training in partnership with local government, INOVA trauma services, and safety advocates at high crash areas throughout Northern Virginia,

WHEREAS, in 2017 NVRC, in partnership with INOVA Trauma Services and Arlington County, contracted with the Washington Area Bicycling Association to underwrite league of American bicyclist licensed instructor training for Northern Virginia residents. Eleven people completed the certification, and have provided safety training and courses throughout Northern Virginia;

WHEREAS, NVRC was awarded funding to hold a second LCI bicycle and pedestrian course, and has interest in partnership from George Mason University, the City of Manassas, and Prince William County for hosting; and this course will be open to Northern Virginia local staff, residents, and police, who in exchange for the grant underwriting the training, each participant will lead at least two safety outreach and training activities in high crash areas in the region;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that NVRC select and engage a training organization such as the League of American Bicyclists to provide a training event hosted by a local jurisdiction. Using the \$7500 funding provided by the 2019 DMV grant.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: that NVRC Executive Director sign and NVRC enter into an agreement with the firm following DMV review and approval of the selected firm and scope.



CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission on January 24, 2018.


ROBERT W. LAZARO, JR., CERTIFYING OFFICER