



# BICYCLING MEANS BUSINESS VIRGINIA - 8

## FEDERAL INVESTMENT IN VIRGINIA

**\$17,113,815**

AVERAGE ANNUAL FUNDS FROM TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS,  
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL, AND RECREATIONAL TRAILS

AVERAGE BIKING AND WALKING  
PROJECTS PER YEAR » **50**

## RETURN ON INVESTMENT FOR VIRGINIA

**\$149,060,000**

ANNUAL GROSS INCOME FROM BICYCLE RETAIL STORES

JOB » **1,994**

“The bike-friendliness of Riverside Center has made the new Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine more attractive for students and faculty, and has contributed to the bike-friendliness of the Roanoke community.”

- Carilion Clinic-Riverside, Roanoke

## RETURN ON INVESTMENT FOR VIRGINIA - 8

**\$53,300,000**

ANNUAL GROSS INCOME FROM BICYCLE RETAIL STORES

JOB » **200**

## EXAMPLES OF BICYCLE FRIENDLY VIRGINIA

Alexandria  
Arlington  
Charlottesville  
Harrisonburg

Roanoke  
Richmond  
MEPT Courthouse Tower LLC  
SRA International, Inc.

Winrock International  
Crystal City Business  
Improvement District  
Destination Sales and Marketing Group

Excella Consulting  
National Wildlife Federation  
Paramount Group, Inc.  
Carilion Clinic Riverside

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OUR COMMUNITY BIKE FRIENDLY?**

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# TOWARD ZERO DEATHS – FIXING A SAFETY BLINDSPOT

## WILL YOU SUPPORT A NATIONAL PERFORMANCE MEASURE TO REDUCE BICYCLIST AND PEDESTRIAN DEATHS?

### FATALITIES VS. SAFETY SPENDING



SOURCE FOR ROADWAY FATALITIES: FARS DATA 2008-2011 SOURCE FOR HSIP SPENT ON B/P: FMIS DATA 2008-2011

### PERCENT CHANGE IN FATALITIES 2010-2011



### THE PROBLEM

The number of people killed on our nation's roads has fallen dramatically in recent years – 37,423 in 2008 to 32,367 in 2011. But this movement Toward Zero Deaths has a significant blindspot: The number of bicyclist and pedestrian deaths is on the rise.

Pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities have increased from 12% of all roadway deaths in 2008 to almost 16% in 2011.

Even as the number of fatalities has increased, the attention to bicycle and pedestrian safety has not. Less than 0.5% of federal Highway Safety Funds are spent improving bicyclist and pedestrian safety. Currently, there is no incentive or guidance given to states to reduce the annual toll of 5,000 pedestrian and cyclist deaths.

### THE SOLUTION

MAP-21, the new transportation law, provides a solution. The U.S. Department of Transportation must set safety performance measures for reducing fatalities and serious injuries. We believe the U.S. Department of Transportation should set a national performance goal to reduce bicyclist and pedestrian fatalities. These performance measures will allow maximum flexibility to state and local governments to achieve those goals.

“There is now growing evidence to suggest that cities with higher bicycling rates also have better road safety records.”

— Wesley E. Marshall, Department of Civil Engineering at University of Colorado-Denver, and Norman W. Garrick, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering at the University of Connecticut.