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FCC Named 2012 Bicycling and Active Commuting Champion

FedBikes announced today that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) headquarters building is the FedBikes Bicycling and Active Commuting Champion of the Year among National Capital-area federal agency facilities.

FedBikes chose the FCC as the 2012 top performer because of the agency's wide range of facilities and programs that encourage employees and visitors to bicycle, thereby promoting good health, cost savings, and cleaner air.

The FCC offers secure bicycle parking, lockers, and a repair station. "The FCC makes it easy to ride to work, whether you're a first-time commuter or an experienced city cyclist", said Jason Hancock, a member of the FedBikes evaluation committee.

FCC employees actively promote cycling. In celebration of National Bike to Work Month, the FCC hosted a Bike Fair, is promoting Bike to Work Day, and has two teams competing in the [National Bike Challenge](#). The [League of American Bicyclists](#) recently recognized the FCC as a Bicycle-Friendly Business.

"We are eager to help as many employees as possible reap the health benefits of bike commuting while doing our part to protect the environment. We're grateful that the hard work of our cyclists and building managers has been recognized in this award", said David Robbins, Managing Director, FCC.

FedBikes also recognized the following federal agencies for exemplary efforts:

- The Department of State, which provides bicycle parking for visitors adjacent to main building entrances, and where Secretary of State Clinton has promoted bicycling;
- The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, where employees have organized commuter cycling seminars and cycling teams;
- The Department of the Interior, which is a corporate member of Capital Bikeshare;

- The U.S. Naval Facilities Engineering Command at Navy Yard, which provides convenient bicycle parking, showers, and lockers for employees.

"This is good news for the region, as federal government agencies employ and engage so many members of our communities. Encouraging their employees and visitors to travel by bike is better for those employees and visitors, and for the health, mobility and sustainability of the region", said Shane Farthing, Executive Director of the [Washington Area Bicycle Association](#).

Chris Holben, a bicycle program manager with the [DC Department of Transportation](#) said, "It's great to work with bike-friendly agencies. Our federal partners are really important to our efforts to make Washington the most bike-friendly city in America."

Employees or facility managers of the federal agencies listed below participated in the 2012 FedBikes Bicycling and Active Commuting scorecard process, all of them demonstrating laudable efforts. FedBikes looks forward to continuing to work with these and all Federal agencies:

Department of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture, Patriots Plaza
Department of Commerce
Department of Defense, The Pentagon
Department of Energy
Department of Housing and Urban Development
Department of State
Department of the Interior
Department of the Treasury
Federal Communications Commission
Federal Emergency Management Agency
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Navy Yard
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Federal Triangle
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Potomac Yards
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

About FedBikes

The Inter-Agency Task Force for Bicycling and Active Transportation, known as FedBikes, is comprised of federal employees and provides information to federal agencies to support bicycling to federal facilities. The FedBikes task force is recognized under the guidelines [Implementing a Successful Bicycle and Active Commuting Program in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area](#), issued in 2010 pursuant to Executive Order 13514, Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance. Under these guidelines, bike-friendly facilities and programs are encouraged for all National Capital-area Federal agencies.