



Glow Ride, Start Me Up Niagara, St. Catharines

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### **Introduction**

Bike Niagara in 2025 had one of its busiest years since its inception back in 2012. Seven bicycle safety courses and ten learn to ride sessions were provided for first time cyclists. Internal resources and expertise was enhanced through the addition of three experienced safe cycling instructors, and through a generous donation from the Rotary Club of St. Catharines South. To extend our offer of safe cycling courses a grant application was submitted to the Ministry of Transportation Road Safety Community Partnership Program. Approval of the grant was obtained in December 2025.

### **Activities for 2025**

#### **Advocacy**

- **Town of Pelham, Station Street reconstruction, Port Robinson Road to Highway 20**
  - Comments provided at Public Information Centre regarding bicycle lanes and connections.

## Safe Cycling Instruction

- **Heart Niagara**
  - In-class and on-bike training for 6 students at Heart Niagara.
  - Lead school rodeo for about 30 students at Saint Edward Catholic school in Jordan as part of student training.
- **Start Me Up Niagara/Bike Me Up Niagara**
  - On-bike course offered as part of a community Glow Ride event to raise funds for Start Me Up Niagara in St. Catharines.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Fonthill Cub Pack and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fonthill Beaver Troop**
  - On-bike course provided for both groups on separate dates but rain necessitated in-class with bikes for both groups, for a total of about 20 students.
- **Niagara College, Welland Campus, Security Guards**
  - On-bike course provided to two groups on separate days for a total of 14 students.
- **Learn To Ride (LTR) Sessions**
  - Ten LTR courses were provided to 11 students both young and adult covering a wide range of locations in the Niagara Region.

**Finances** – Bank balance as of Nov. 15, 2025 = \$2,397.03

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Security Guard Course, Niagara College, Welland Campus