



Thanks to everyone who biked, walked, carpooled, rode transit and teleworked in Go-Tober's month-long competition to ditch driving alone and try a new commute! This year's 58 companies and 60,000 employees logged more than 669,000 smart commute miles, saved 186 tons of carbon dioxide and burned 5,540,810 calories. Way to Go!

Congrats to our top go-getters! This year's Go-Tober commuter champions are: SparkFun Electronic in the Neighborhood Ninjas category, Xilinx in the Suburban Superheroes category, Rocky Mountain Institute in the Transit Troopers category and Gusto in the Urban Ultimates category.



Active Transportation Plan

Denver Regional Council of Governments staff, alongside the Active Transportation Stakeholder Committee, are inviting comments on the regionwide plan to make biking and walking safer and more convenient. Informed by stakeholder and public outreach conducted earlier this year and workshops across the region with local government staff, the draft plan includes a vision for a safe, comfortable and connected regional active transportation network.

<u>Look at the draft plan</u> and let us know what you think. DRCOG is accepting comments through Nov. 25. <u>Learn more</u>.



Regional Transportation District fare changes

Local fares will increase from \$2.60 to \$3, regional fares will increase from \$4.50 to \$5.25 and the A line to Denver International Airport fare will increase from \$9 to \$10.50. Also, each ticket you purchase is good for travel within that zone for three hours, meaning riders will no longer need to request a transfer.

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Chariot launch

Ford-owned Chariot has teamed up with the City and County of Denver and Transportation Solutions to bring microtransit to the Cherry Creek area. During its pilot period, Chariot's 14-passenger vans will be free to all users, shuttling commuters between Capitol Hill and Cherry Creek via Lincoln/Broadway and Downing/Corona. Shuttle rides are available on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., and can be booked on demand through the Chariot app.

The pilot's goals are to improve job access for low-income workers, alleviate congestion, create a connection to Regional Transportation District transit options and test the viability of microtransit in Denver.



Presented by the Colorado Department of Transportation's Bicycle & Pedestrian Program, the Federal Highway Administration and the Denver Regional Council of Government

Winter Bike to Work Day

Mark your calendars for Winter Bike to Work Day on Friday, Feb. 8, 2019. Way to Go joins Colorado commuters statewide to celebrate winter warriors who make the trek to work and back on two wheels on even the coldest of days, and to support those wanting to try winter bike commuting.

Riding during winter can be intimidating, but don't let the cold stop you from torching calories, saving money and reducing your carbon footprint. We have a few tips to help get you started:

Stay warm, stay safe. Proper gear, clothing and a few safety precautions can make or break a successful commute. Check out these <u>tips on safe cycling</u> and <u>how to dress</u> for a winter ride.

Plan ahead. Map out a safe route using bike lanes or multipurpose trails, and give it a test ride over the weekend when there's no pressure to get to work on time.

Enlist a friend. Having a built-in bike buddy will make the ride more fun. Also, safety in numbers means you're more visible when sharing the road with cars.

Have fun! Biking anywhere is guaranteed to make you feel like a kid again. Hop on, and arrive to work feeling pumped, energized and ready to tackle the day.



Smart Commute Metro North launches its first commuter survey

Smart Commute Metro North distributed its first north metro commuter survey last month to approximately 50 area businesses. Respondents were asked questions regarding commute behavior, preferences and ideas for improvements. Smart Commute Metro North received more than 1,000 responses from survey participants who commute regularly into the north metro area.

The results of this survey will serve as a touchstone for the region on current commuting trends and needs for the future. If your company did not participate in the survey, <u>send Smart Commute Metro North an email</u> and they'll be sure to include your company in ongoing efforts to serve the north metro area.



Boulder Transportation Connections quarterly meeting

Come to the next Boulder Transportation Connections quarterly meeting in December.

Tuesday, Dec. 11 11:30 a.m.

Boulder County Clerk and Recorder's Office 1750 33rd St., Boulder, CO 80301

All employee transportation coordinators have a chance to share ideas and strategies with other companies, learn about changes and improvements in the local transportation network and hear a range of speakers discuss transportation issues. Participants will also hear about businesses earning sustainable transportation recognition from Boulder County's Partners for a Clean Environment program and get the latest from the Regional Transportation District on the scenarios being explored for bus rapid transit on State Highway 119.





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