



NEWS RELEASE

85 Pit Stops Around Metropolitan Washington Gear Up to Host Thousands of Area Bike to Work Day Participants

Washington, D.C. (May 18, 2017) – More than [85 pit stops](#)—including several new locations east of the Anacostia River—will welcome Bike to Work Day (BTWD) event participants this Friday, May 19.

The new pit stops, [Anacostia River Trail](#) and [Twining](#), will be open to participants from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M., and [Wharf/Southwest Waterfront](#), the District's first pit stop in the southwest quadrant, will host bicyclists from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Other pit stops are located at employer sites, and along popular commuter routes, scenic trails, and at several Metro stations across the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. Each pit stop will welcome bicyclists with refreshments, a free t-shirt for the first 16,000 registered, and a chance to win great prizes.

“Pit stops are a great way for bicyclists to meet and network on their way to work,” said Nicholas Ramfos, Director of Commuter Connections. “The number of area residents who bike to work continues to rise, so we are very pleased to add more pit stops in more neighborhoods each year.”

Congressman Don Beyer (VA-8) will attend the [Arlington – Rosslyn](#) pit stop. The youngest mayor in Maryland history, Town of Indian Head Mayor Brandon Paulin, is participating in BTWD in Charles County, and will attend the [Indian Head](#) pit stop. See the full list below of over 40 elected officials and dignitaries scheduled to show their support for bicycling to work at this year's local Bike to Work Day events throughout the region.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

[Adams Morgan](#)

District of Columbia Councilmember Brianne Nadeau (Ward 1)

[Capitol Hill at Eastern Market](#)

District of Columbia Councilmember Charles Allen (Ward 6)

[Columbia Heights](#)

District of Columbia Councilmember Brianne Nadeau (Ward 1)

[Freedom Plaza](#)

District of Columbia Councilmember Brandon Todd (Ward 4)

MARYLAND

[Bethesda](#)

Maryland State Comptroller Peter Franchot

Maryland State Senator Susan Lee

Maryland State Delegates Ariana Kelly and Marc Korman

Constituent Services and Field Representative for Senator Chris Van Hollen,
Catherine Provost

Maryland Department of Transportation Deputy Secretary Earl Lewis

[College Park – City Hall](#)

City of College Park Mayor Patrick Wojahn

[Frederick](#)

Western Maryland Outreach Director for Senator Chris Van Hollen, Julianna
Albowicz

City of Frederick Alderman Michael O'Connor

Maryland State Delegates Carol Krimm and Karen Young

Frederick County Executive Jan Gardner

City of Frederick Mayor Randy McClement

City of Frederick Alderman Kelly Russell

Rails to Trails Conservancy Trail Planner Kevin Belanger

[Greenbelt](#)

City of Greenbelt Mayor Emmett V. Jordan

Prince George's County Councilmember Todd M. Turner

[Indian Head](#)

Town of Indian Head Mayor Brandon Paulin

Maryland State Delegate Edith Patterson

[North Bethesda at Pike & Rose](#)

Montgomery County Council President Roger Berliner (District 1)

Montgomery County Councilmember At-Large Nancy Floreen

[Rockville – Town Center](#)

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board Chairman &
City of Rockville Mayor Bridget Donnell Newton

[Port Towns – Edmonston](#)

Town of Edmonston Mayor Tracy Farrish Gant

Town of Edmonston Councilmember John Johnson

VIRGINIA

[Arlington – Rosslyn](#)

Congressman Don Beyer (VA - 8th District)

[Fairfax City Downtown](#)

Virginia Delegate David Bulova (37th District)

City of Fairfax Mayor David L. Meyer

City of Fairfax Councilmember Eleanor D. Schmidt

[City of Falls Church](#)

City of Falls Church Mayor David Tarter

City of Falls Church Vice Mayor Marybeth Connelly

City of Falls Church Council Members David Snyder and Letty Hardi

[Manassas – VRE](#)

City of Manassas Mayor Hal Parrish Jr.

Historic Manassas Executive Director Debbie Haight

City of Manassas Community Development Administrator and Historian Lisa Sievel-Otten

[Reston – Wiehle-Reston East Metrorail Station](#)

Virginia Delegate Ken Plum (District 36)

Fairfax County Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (Hunter Mill District)

Reston Association Board of Directors President Sherri Hebert

“We are really excited to expand our Bike to Work Day social media efforts this year, to include customized Snapchat geofilters, and an Instagram contest so that participants can share the day’s events with friends and family,” said Ramfos.

For Instagram users, BTWD photos with the most likes will win a California Tortilla gift card. Plus, visitors to 10 select pit stops can use customized Snapchat geofilters to share Bike to Work Day photos with family and friends. Participants can also join the conversation on Twitter at #BTWD2017.

Last year, more than 17,500 bicyclists registered for BTWD, celebrating bicycling as a clean, healthy, and affordable means of commuting to work. Registration and information about BTWD 2017 is available at www.biketoworkmetrodc.org.

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Commuter Connections, www.commuterconnections.org is a program of the National Capital Region

Transportation Planning Board at the Council of Governments. Commuter Connections has provided ridematching services since 1974, promotes bicycling to work, transit and other alternatives to drive alone commuting, and offers the free Guaranteed Ride Home program. Commuter Connections, is funded by the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and U.S. Departments of Transportation.

The [Washington Area Bicyclist Association](#), creates a healthy, more livable region by promoting bicycling for fun, fitness, and affordable transportation; advocating for better bicycling conditions and transportation choices for a healthier environment, and educating children, adults, and motorists about safe bicycling.



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