COMMUTER SERVICES OF PA Program Update

Serving employers and commuters in Adams, Berks, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, and York Counties.

TRANSIT CARPOOLING VANPOOLING WALKING BIKING TELECOMMUTING STAGGERED SHIFTS

Fall 2021-Winter 2022



Car Free Month Promotion

During the month of September, we challenged commuters to find a new commute mode for work instead of driving alone. Commuters were asked to participate by recording green trips in Commute PA and engaging in social media posts.

Car Free Month! September 2021



Greener Trips





\$89,779
Commuter Savings



6,781
Gallons of Gas Saved



101,597 Calories Burned



Clash of the Counties

During the week of November 14th – 20th, local county employees faced off against each other to record as many green trips as possible. Check out the week stats from all the county employees.

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE COUNTY
OF BERKS FOR
WINNING AGAIN!



30 Participants



2,269 Miles Reduced



.83 Tons Reduced

Employer Transportation Coordinator Champion Challenge

Congratulations to our top five ETC Champions with Amanda from Eurofins and Alison from Albright College winning the challenge by completing ALL tasks, such as becoming a formal Commuter Services of PA partner, trying a new green mode, attending one of our webinars and giving a testimonial. A special thank you to all ETC's that participated.

Employer Transportation Coordinator (ETC)
Champion Challenge

1st Place: Eurofins – Amanda / Albright College – Alison

2nd Place: Sweet Street Desserts – Deb

3rd Place: Quality Bike Products – Jason

4th Place: DB Schenker / Proctor & Gamble - Amy





College Month October 2021

College Month

In October, we held our College Month promotion encouraging students, faculty and staff to use a green commute, see the numbers below! Congratulations to Franklin & Marshall College for having the most Commute PA trackers and beating eight other schools!



421
Greener
Trips



7,943
Miles

Not Driven



Tons Reduced



\$4,448

Commuter Savings



357

Gallons of Gas Saved



25,106

Calories Burned

Employer Transportation Coordinator (ETC) Telework Peer Group

In February 2021, Commuter Services started a Telework Peer Group among our Employer Transportation Coordinators (ETC) as a way to come together and navigate through remote work. At the start, most employees were working from home and running across challenges such as network capabilities, missing the personal connection, impact on company culture and developing a long term plan. Based on our monthly meetings, below are some of the highlights that were discussed among the group.

These meetings will continue in 2022 and we would like to have more employers become part of the discussion. If you or someone within your organization are interested in joining our peer group for open discussions centered around all things telework, please send an email to Stacy Newcomer at stacy.newcomer@pacommuterservices.org.

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Return to Work Plans

- Dedicated teams
- Set up Sharepoint
- Tiered approach
- Flex work areas
- Promote carpooling

Best Practices

- Virtual new hire training
- Needs assessment of employees
- Define remote positions
- Free Friday or Focus Friday
- Hoteling
- Ergonomic assessment
- Meeting times (start 5 minutes after hour; end 5 minutes before hour)
- Gallery vs.
 Speaker view in virtual meetings
- "Time-off" on calendars

Employee Engagement

- "Thanks" point system
- Wellness Wednesdays
- Virtual water cooler talk
- New hire mixer
- Mental Health Days
- Pop-up fitness classes
- Coordinated bike rides
- Get to know me form
- Open forums to chat

Virtual:

- Costume contest
- Happy Hour
- Game Night
- Recipe swap





Welcome Back, Michele!



We are excited to welcome Michele Scribbick back as an Employer Outreach Manager supporting employers in the Berks, Lancaster and Lebanon Counties.

Commuter Services is a program of the non-profit Susquehanna Regional Transportation Partnership, whose board includes Capital Area Transit (CAT, Cumberland-Dauphin-Harrisburg), Lebanon Transit (LT), South Central Transit Authority (BARTA, Berks & RRTA, Lancaster) and Central Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (rabbittransit, York & Adams). Adams, Franklin, Harrisburg (Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry counties), Lancaster, Lebanon, Reading and York MPOs. The Harrisburg Regional Chamber & CREDC; the Gettysburg Adams, Greater Chambersburg and Lebanon Valley Chambers of Commerce; the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce & Industry; the Greater Reading Chamber Alliance and the York County Economic Alliance. Funding is provided by the Federal Highway Administration and PennDOT in partnership with the participating MPOs.