BIKE TO WORK DAY 2023

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Background

- Rolled out regionally in 2001 by Commuter Connections
- Friday May 19, 2023
- Celebrates bicycling as a clean, fun, and healthy way to get to work
- Participation goal set



Support for Cyclists

- Cycling classes
- Bicycling to work guides (pamphlets)
- 108 pit stops throughout region
- Guaranteed Ride Home
- Commuter Convoys
- Bicycle route finder



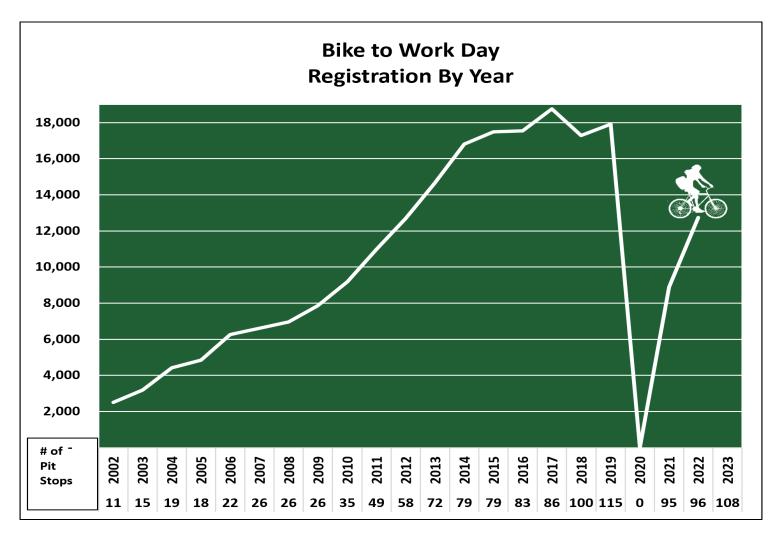
Event Freebies

- Food & prizes
- Bike maps and literature
- Bicycle raffles
- Bicycle tune-ups
- Free T-shirts





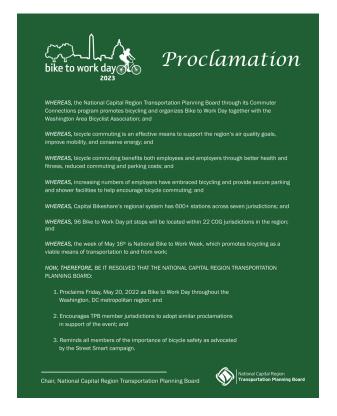
Event Growth by Year





Bike to Work Day

- Coincides with National Bike to Work Week
- 12,740 registrants in 2022
- Goal for 2023 is 14,000
- Proclamation at April TPB meeting





Employer Involvement

- Business community support
- Reduced parking and improved employee health
 & fitness
- Employer sponsored pit stops
- Employer Challenge





Support for Bicyclists at Work

- Bicycles racks
- Bike lockers and cages
- Showers
- Personal gym lockers
- Bike subsidy
- Capital Bikeshare memberships



- Conducted every three years (2019)
- Online survey to all event participants
- Response rate of 14 percent
- Measures impacts of bicycle commuting before and after event
- Survey results used in Regional TDM Program Analysis



Age Breakdown

Age	Percent
18-24	2%
25-34	20%
35-44	22%
45-54	23%
55-64	25%
65 +	8%

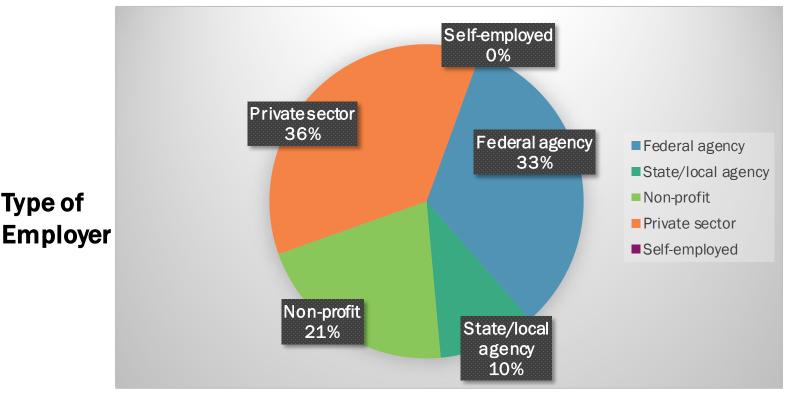




Home and Work States

State	Home	Work
District	32%	50%
Maryland	26%	19%
Virginia	42%	31%







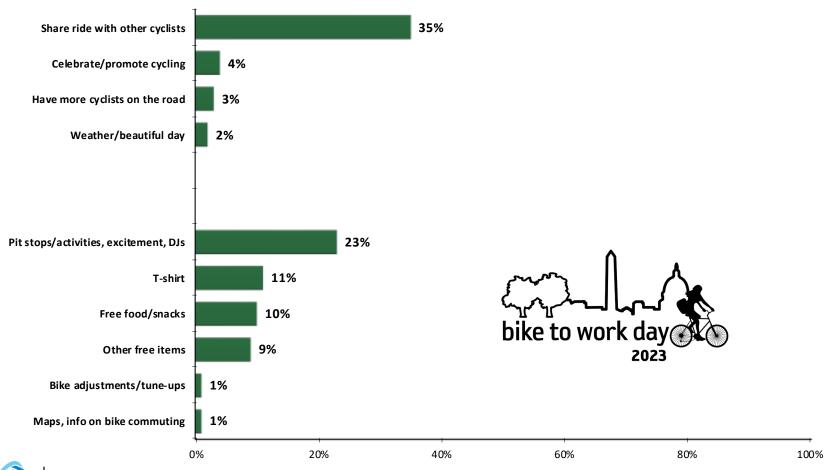


Type of

- Prior to Bike to Work Day 13% of respondents never commuted by bicycle
- After Bike to Work Day
 - 23% of new rider respondents started bicycling to work 2.5 days/week



Favorite Part of 2019 Bike-to-Work Day Event Experience



Rain Date Policy

- Bike to Work Day is a rain or shine regional event
- Pit stops are encouraged to have a contingency plan ready
- Pit stops however may determine to cancel their local pit stop event based on severe weather conditions.





Rain Date Policy Reasoning

- The ambiguity what's enough rain to postpone the event?
- What if it rains in one area of the region and not another?
- No guarantee it wouldn't rain on rain date
- May send the wrong message that one cannot bike in the rain

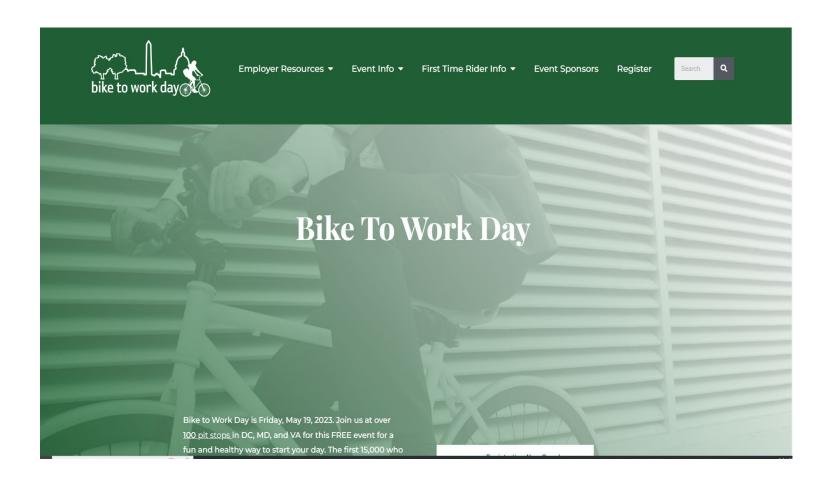


VIP Invitations

- All TPB members invited
- Officials asked to RSVP to the pit stop of their choice.



Website - biketoworkmetrodc.org





Social Media

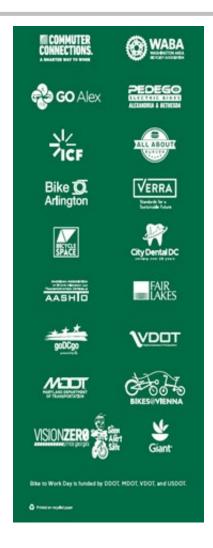




Posters and Rack Cards









T-shirts





Banners





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