

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

Car Free Day 2021

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Car Free Day Background

- Started in Europe in 1995.
- Global in 2000.
- Celebrated in 1,500 cities in 40 countries.







International











- Coincides with European Mobility Week.
- An annual campaign on sustainable urban mobility, Sept 16-22.
- Aims to introduce and promote sustainable transportation measures as alternatives to car use.







EUROPEAN MOBILITY WEEK

16-22 SEPTEMBER 2021

Move Sustainably. Stay Healthy.

- The week culminates on Car Free Day, September 22.
- Participating cities set aside one or more areas solely for pedestrians, cyclists and public transportation for the whole day.



Media Coverage

- Commuter Connections Wants You to Commit to a Car Free Tuesday
- CTV News Car Free Day
- Calendar Listings





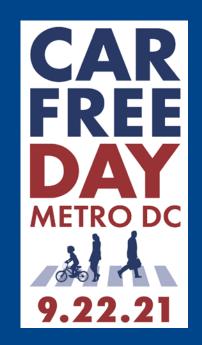
Car Free Day Washington DC Region

- Began as D.C. centric in 2007.
- Regionally in 2008.
- Promotes alternative forms of transportation transit, bicycling, scootering, and walking.
- Car-lite methods such as carpools and vanpools.
- Telework.



Car Free Day Background

- Not just commuters.
 - Seniors
 - Students
 - Homemakers
- People who ordinarily travel SOV to work, errands, and classes.
- Pledge Goal 5,000.







Car Free Day Partnerships









Regional Proclamation



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Washington, DC region; and

WHEREAS, the TPB through its Commuter Connections program organizes and promotes the annual Car Free Day event along with its jurisdictional network members throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Car Free Day invites citizens of the region to telework and try alternative forms of transportation such as transit, bicycling, walking, and "car-lite" methods such as carpools and vanpools in a safe and healthy manner; and

WHEREAS, Car Free Day benefits the National Capital Region through improved air quality, mobility, energy conservation, and reduced parking demands; and

WHEREAS, Car Free Day corresponds with European Mobility Week, occurring September 16-22, 2020, celebrating sustainable mobility.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board:

Proclaims Car Free Day throughout the Washington Metropolitan region to be observed on Tuesday, September 22, 2020; and

Encourages citizens to take the pledge to be Car Free or Car-lite at www.carfreemetrodc.org;

Asks TPB member jurisdictions to adopt similar proclamations in support of Car Free Day 2020.

Chair, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

2020 TPB Proclamation Signing





Car Free Day Web Site



Home







Website Leaderboard





Promotional Materials







Social Media

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Take the Free Pledge





Safe and Practices.









Commuter Connections

@CarFreeMetroDC Follows you

Car Free Day is an international event celebrated in the Washington DC region on Sept 22nd. Take the pledge today and go car free or car-lite!

@ carfreemetrodc.org III Joined July 2009

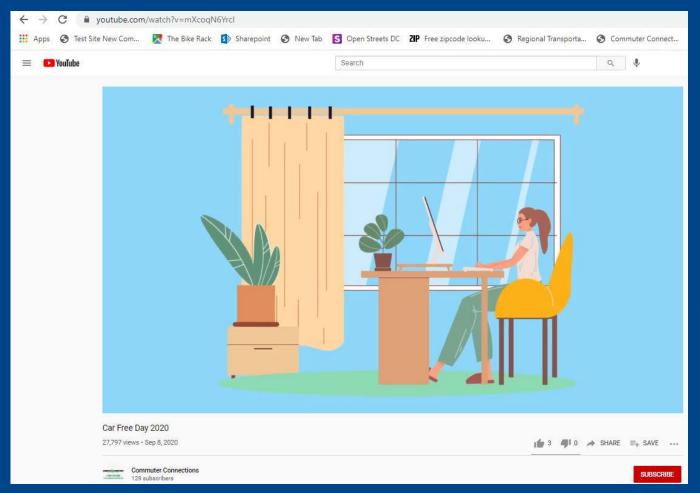
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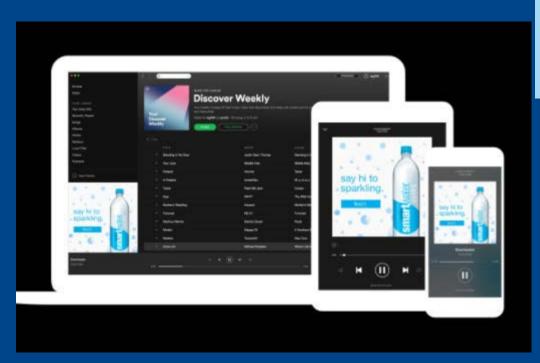








Spotify





Take the free pledge to be eligible for great prizes, even if you're already car free or car-lite.

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Finally, Something to Celebrate: Car Free Day!

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Has it been a year already? Don't look now, but Tuesday, September 22, is officially Car Free Day.

Car Free Day is an international event that heightens awareness of the impact of traffic on the quality of life in the region and is celebrated in more than 2,000 cities in 46 countries. Locally, the event is hosted by Commuter Connections, the regional network of transportation organizations coordinated by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.



Jurisdiction Events









Capital Area Car Free College Campus Challenge











Q & A





