Item #6

# SmartBenefits<sup>®</sup> PLUS INCENTIVE PROGRAM

# SmartBenefits Plus50 Incentive Program



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#### SmartBenefits Plus50

- Program kicked off with the opening of the Silver Line Metro (July 2014).
- Incentive was created to serve as a method to encourage ridership on the new rail and supporting bus service.
- Partnership was established with Metro staff to take advantage of existing SmartBenefits program structure.



## Eligibility

- Incentive was available to commuters who were:
  - New to rail service for commuting
  - New to bus service for commuting
  - Commuters without a registered SmarTrip card.
- Incentive was not available to:
  - Federal Government staff
  - Current commuter benefit participants
  - Vanpool service
  - Registered SmarTrip card members



#### Program Steps

- Employer contacts Al Watson for SmartBenefits registration.
- Fairfax contacts employer after registration to discuss process and encourage internal promotion.
- Employer contacts Fairfax with the list of interested staff members.
- Fairfax sends assigned smartrip card numbers for each staff member.
- Each staff member registers their individual card, which then allows HR to input them into the company smartbenefits account. A screen-shot is sent to Fairfax for confirmation.
- Fairfax schedules deliveries for cards to employer site.



#### Program Marketing

- Email blast to list of 500 HR contacts. Hosted five seminars along with Metro staff in Tysons, Reston and Herndon.
- Between 100-150 human resources staff attended the seminars.
- Attended the Reston-Wiehle station open house event to kick off promotion to the public.



#### Promotion



Receive a free \$50 SmartTrip card when you try transit

Ask HR to enroll your company TODAY





ALL THE HITS 107.3







## Social Media Marketing

- Throughout July 2015, we promoted programs such as NuRide, vanpools, ride sharing, SmartBenefits 50+, etc.
- Our tweets earned total of 95,000 impressions that month; 3,100 impressions per day.
- Our TDM related Facebook posts performed 95% better than any other posts on our Facebook page.
- utilized text/email alert system notifications to commuters and employers. Deployed in the Spring 2015 and now have 1200+ subscribers.



#### Movie Theatre Ad



Ask HR to enroll your compa

Just call 202-962-2793, TTY 202

NCM Media Networks

Dates: 5/29-6/11

Total theatres 5

Total screens 64

Estimated four week impressions 666,612

Total investment 4 weeks 15 second ad \$5,000.

CPM \$7.50

List of Theatres

Regal Springfield 12,

Rave- CNK Fairfax 14

Rave - CNK Centerville 12

AMC Tysons's 16

Regal Fairfax 10

#### Radio Ads





DAYPART	LENGTH	SPOTS/WEEK
MAY 4, 2015 - MAY 24, 2015 (3 WEEKS)		
Mon, Wed, Fri 7A-9A	:30	6
Monday-Friday 5A-9A	:30	5
Mon-Fri 6A-7P	:30	10
Monday-Sunday 6A-12A	:30	7
84X :30 Announcement		
Total May Investment: \$3,000		
JUNE 1, 2015 – JUNE 21, 2015 (3 WEEKS)		
Mon, Wed, Fri 7A-9A	:30	6
Monday-Friday 5A-9A	:30	5
Mon-Fri 6A-7P	:30	10
Monday-Sunday 6A-12A	:30	7
84X :30 Announcement		

Total June Investment: \$3,000

#### MAY 11, 2015 - MAY 24, 2015 (2 WEEKS)

:15 Audio Pre-Roll with 300x250 Companion Banner visible when your commercial plays, PLUS rotating Leaderboard ads on WMAL.com – ALL clickable to your designated URL.

Total May investment: \$700

#### JUNE 1, 2015 - JUNE 14, 2015 (2 WEEKS)

:15 Audio Pre-Roll with 300x250 Companion Banner visible when your commercial plays, PLUS rotating Leaderboard ads on WMAL.com – ALL clickable to your designated URL.

Total June investment: \$700



#### **Program Stats**

- 16 Employers registered with Plus50 program.
- 13/16 are new to the ACT database and first contact with Fairfax.
- 8 of each are now level 3 & 4 participation level employers.
- 554 program participants. Retention rate study confirmed that 59% of participants are still in the commuter benefits program.



#### TDM Participation Level Benefits

- Plus50 application process provides all employer TDM program details. (ETC, emp #, email, phone, programs in place)
- Establishes newly created Transit Benefits programs
   & opens vanpooling opportunities. (Free to the company)
- Potential level 3 & 4 TDM programs.
- Best Workplaces for Commuters (9) awards based on TDM programs in place.



## Plus50 Takeaway

- Assists with business & communication efforts
- Ease of outreach effort
- Fresh outlook on Transit Benefit promotion
- Cost vs Reward