

National Capital Region
Transportation Planning Board
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## Car Free Day Background

- First took place in the DC region in 2007.
- Event started in Europe in 1995, went global in 2000 and is part of Europe's mobility week.
- For at least one day during mobility week, cities set aside an area solely for pedestrians, cyclists and public transit that is ordinarily used by cars.
- Car Free Day is celebrated in 1,500 cities in 40 countries.

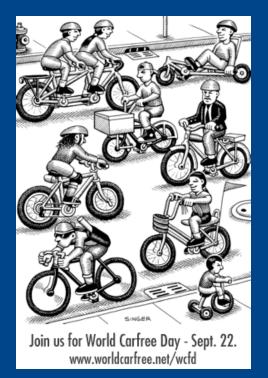


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- Regional rollout occurred in 2008 with TPB support.
- COG's Commuter Connections program promotes and organizes the annual Car Free Day event along with its network members.
- Invites Washington region citizens to try alternative forms of transportation such as transit, bicycling and walking.
- Includes car-lite methods such as carpools and vanpools; also supports practice of teleworking.



#### International

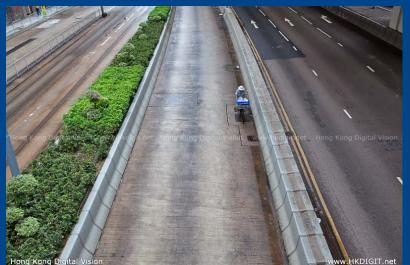








**Hong Kong World Car Free Day September 25, 2010** in Hong Kong News

















#### 2010 Media Coverage Headlines

- Businesses donate prizes for Car Free Day
- Car Free Day opens horizons
- Thousands pledge to be car-free
- Gear Up for a Bike Bonanza: D.C. Car-Free Celebrations
- It's Car Free Day
- Leave the car, take the iPad
- Rethink your commute if just for one day
- Traveling Through TransIT offers free rides for Car Free Day
- Car? We Don't Need No Stinkin' Car
- Get out of the car and walk
- Metro supports "International Car Free Day"
- Car-free day zooms in Sept. 22
- Car Free Day is Tuesday, September 22
- Walk this Way: Residents Encouraged to Use Alternative Transportation
- Area Leaders Pledge To Go Car Free on Sept. 22
- D.C. Car-Free Day next Wednesday, Sept. 22
- D.C. Area Celebrates Car Free Day
- Area Participates in Car Free Day









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Car-Free Day's morning after: Any impact on Washington traffic? Google says yes

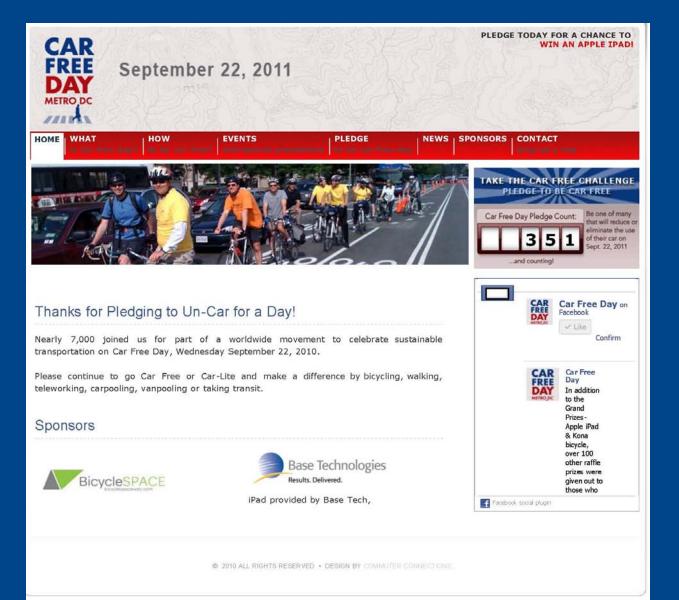
#### **Open Participation**

Pledge to be Car Free at www.carfreemetrodc.com

- ✓ Workers
- ✓ Students
- √ Homemakers
- ✓ Seniors
- Primary targets are individuals who ordinarily travel alone by car for work, errands and classes.
- Secondary groups are those already in Car Free travel modes.
- 7,000 pledges received in 2010, an 11.5% increase from 2009.



## 2011 Car Free Day Web Site





## Pledging to go Car Free

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#### Promotional Materials





## Advertising/Marketing



#### Win an iPad Car Free Day!



Take the Car Free pledge and you're eligible to win great prizes like an Apple iPad or a Kona Bicycle! Commuter Connections

Go Greenman likes this ad.

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#### **Local Events**











#### **Transit**















# Social Media





#### 2011 CFD Call To Action

- 10,000 Pledges Goal
- TPB Proclamation
- Pledges and Podcasts from TPB Members
- Local Activities/Events
- Media Coverage

#### Questions?

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