

Commute PA Program Update

Spring & Summer 2026



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Drive Less PA: How Commuters Swapped Their Commute in February

Why drive alone when you can save money, reduce stress, and win prizes? This past February, Commute PA encouraged local residents to rethink their routes through the "Drive Less PA" initiative. The campaign focused on breaking the habit of single-occupancy commuting by introducing drivers to the financial and environmental benefits of sustainable travel.

The challenge was simple:

- **The Goal:** Commuters needed to rethink their routine and log at least four smart trips during February using the Commute PA app.
- **The Choices:** Participants could choose from a versatile mix of modes, including carpooling, vanpooling, riding transit, biking, walking, or skipping the road altogether by telecommuting.
- **The Reward:** Beyond the immediate savings on gas and vehicle maintenance, participants who met the goal were automatically entered into a drawing to win one of four \$100 Tango gift cards.

Look at the impact we made in February! Over 7,268 trips, kept 137,537 miles off the road, saved a whopping \$99,714, and conserved 5,725 gallons of gas, all while burning 287,021 calories.



Pedal Power Unleashed: Commute PA Celebrates National Bike Month

This past May, it was time to swap four wheels for two! To celebrate National Bike Month, Commute PA invited local commuters to embrace the ride, boost their health, and cut down on commuting costs. Whether participants were seasoned cyclists or dusting off their bikes for the first time, the campaign highlighted that switching to a two-wheeled commute is a massive win for both personal wellness and the wallet.

To add some high-voltage excitement to the month, Commute PA's resident "Bike Hero," Bike Bolt, issued a special **Bike Bash Challenge** with a simple roadmap to rewards:

- **The Ride:** Commuters ditched the car and chose a bicycle for their daily trips.
- **The Record:** Cyclists logged at least four bicycle trips in the Commute PA app during the month of May.
- **The Win:** By hitting that four trip milestone, riders were automatically entered into a drawing to win one of four \$100 Tango gift cards.

To ensure every rider felt confident on the road, Commute PA provided expert resources, including a dedicated Bike Month webpage packed with regional "Bike Bash" activities, group rides, and transit promotions. The Commute PA team also offered personalized assistance, helping riders map out the safest local bike routes, connect with "bike buddies," and navigate the app to ensure every pedal stroke counted toward a greener Pennsylvania.

Our community pedaled hard! With 1,396 bike trips, we cut out 10,477 driving miles, saved \$7,596, and kept 464 gallons of gas in the tank, resulting in a collective 417,544 calories burned.

Choose Your Hero. Choose Your Commute.

Earth-a-palooza Challenge

This past April, the fate of the planet (and the daily commute) was in the hands of local residents! In honor of Earth Day, Commute PA launched the **Earth-a-palooza** challenge, inviting commuters to stop driving alone and unleash their inner commuting superpowers. By opting for sustainable travel methods, participants didn't just cushion the blow of rising gas prices, they kept hard-earned money in their pockets while protecting the environment.

To qualify for the coveted title of "**Ultimate Hero**," commuters were given a clear mission:



- **The Mission:** Log at least four trips during the month of April using a commute superpower.
- **The Superpower Modes:** Harnessing collective travel (carpooling/vanpooling), utilizing high-capacity efficiency (transit), embracing human motion (biking/walking), or mastering the art of "staying put" (telecommuting).
- **The Reward:** Doing good for the Earth paid off! At the end of the month, four lucky Ultimate Heroes were randomly selected to win a \$100 Tango Gift Card.

Furthermore, nearly 30 local organizations answered the call, battling across three different size divisions for an entire month to prove who possessed the ultimate superpower and record as many non-drive alone commute trips as they could. **Thank you to everyone who participated!**



SCTA
436 Trips

WebFX
121 Trips

PA CareerLink
85 Trips

Tri-County OIC
48 Trips

Tribute Baking Company
42 Trips



Phoenix Contact
145 Trips

Franklin County, PA
120 Trips

United Natural Foods, Inc.
107 Trips

Volvo Construction Equipment
97 Trips

Sweet Street Desserts
80 Trips



Eurofins
1,297 Trips

Lancaster County, PA
522 Trips

Franklin & Marshall College
440 Trips

Gettysburg College
321 Trips

Millersville University
235 Trips

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& York counties.

Meet the 2026 Best Workplaces for Commuters!

Commute PA proudly honors this trio of regional employers for going above and beyond in providing top-tier transportation benefits for their workforces. These visionary organizations achieved national recognition on the **2026 Best Workplaces for Commuters** list by actively supporting sustainable transportation alternatives to reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips and enhance employee wellness.

This year, special recognition went to these standout employers across our service region for leading the charge in sustainable commuting:

- **Eurofins** (Lancaster)
- **Phoenix Contact USA** (Middletown)
- **WebFX** (Harrisburg, Lancaster, and York)

By offering excellent commuter incentives, these workplace heroes are proving that smart transportation perks aren't just great for employees they make a lasting, positive impact on our entire community's gridlock and air quality.



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