## **Annual Meeting 2016** FDOT District 5 Regional Commuter Assistance Program



Tuesday, October 4, 2016





- Welcome
- Introductions of reThink Program Staff
- The State of Commuting in District 5
- Overview of Fiscal Year 15/16 (July 1, 2015 June 30, 2016)
- Marketing Plan Review
- Pilot Projects
- Overview of Fiscal Year 16/17 (July 1, 2016 June 30, 2017)
- Discussion



## MEET THE TEAM



# Welcome!

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## A PROGRAM OF THE FDOT

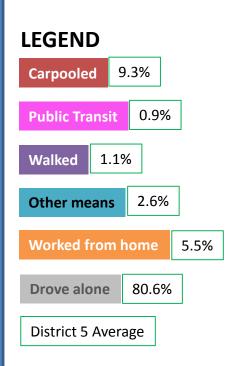
- Coordinated use of existing transportation resources can provide a responsive, low cost alternative for alleviating urban highway congestion, improving air quality and by that reducing the need for costly highway improvements.
- The commuter assistance program focuses on the single occupant commuter trip that is the greatest cause of peak hour highway congestion. A coordinated effort to provide alternatives to these commuters, using existing or low cost resources, can be beneficial to the development of public transit statewide and the Department's priority efforts to relieve traffic congestion, improve air quality and to assure energy conservation.
- The State's Commuter Assistance Program encourages a public/private partnership to provide brokerage services to employers and individuals for: carpools, vanpools, buspools, express bus service, subscription transit service, group taxi services, heavy and light rail and other systems designed to increase vehicle occupancy.
- The program encourages the use of transportation demand management strategies including: <u>employee trip reduction planning</u>, <u>Transportation</u> <u>Management Associations</u>, <u>alternative work hour programs</u>, <u>telecommuting</u>, <u>parking management</u>, and <u>bicycle and pedestrian programs</u>.

### The State of Commuting in District 5

- 46 hours yearly delay per auto commuter
- 21 gallons of excess fuel wasted in congestion
- \$1,044 wasted per auto commuter
- Average cost per mile to drive: 57.1 cents

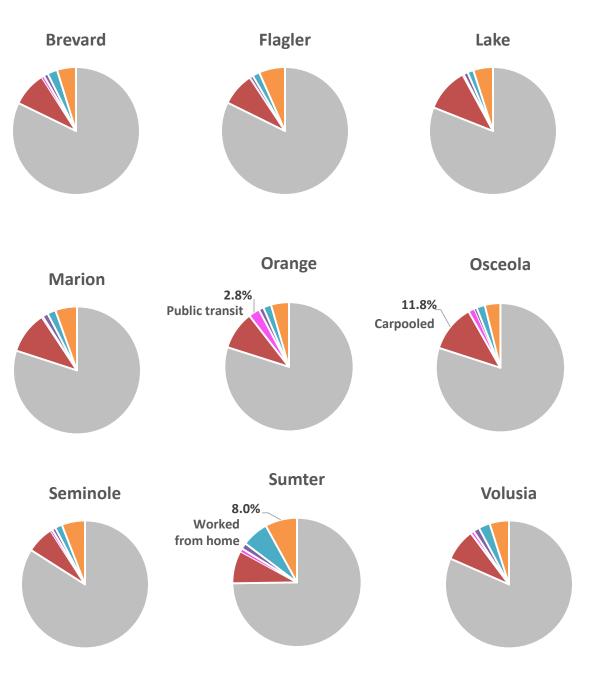
#### 100.0% District 5 Average: 80.6% Single Occupancy Vehicles 1.29M+ SOVs 90.0% 80.0% 70.0% 60.0% 50.0% 84.1% 82.2% 82.3% 81.6% 40.0% 81.0% 80.1% 79.9% 79.9% 74.7% ii ii 30.0% 20.0% 10.0% 0.0% a 23 **Drive alone** ■ Lake ■ Marion ■ Orange ■ Osceola ■ Seminole Sumter Brevard Flagler Volusia

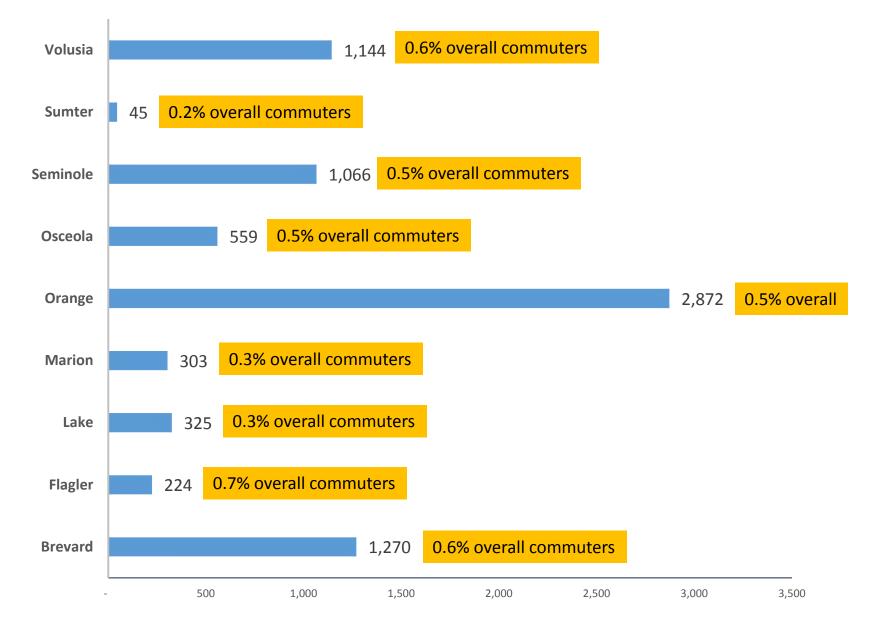
### How are people getting to work?



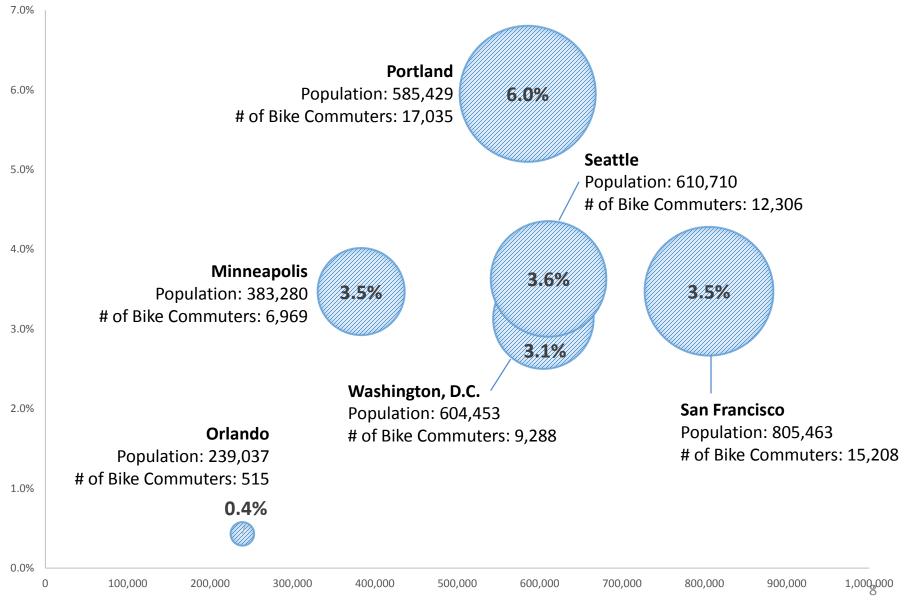
### HIGHLIGHTS

- Osceola County has the highest percentage of carpoolers at 11.8%
- Orange County has the highest percentage of public transit commuters at 2.8%
- Sumter County leads the way in number of telecommuters at 8.0%





### PERCENTAGE OF BICYCLE COMMUTERS



Source: 2010 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates











## **OVERVIEW OF FY 15/16**

### • Goals

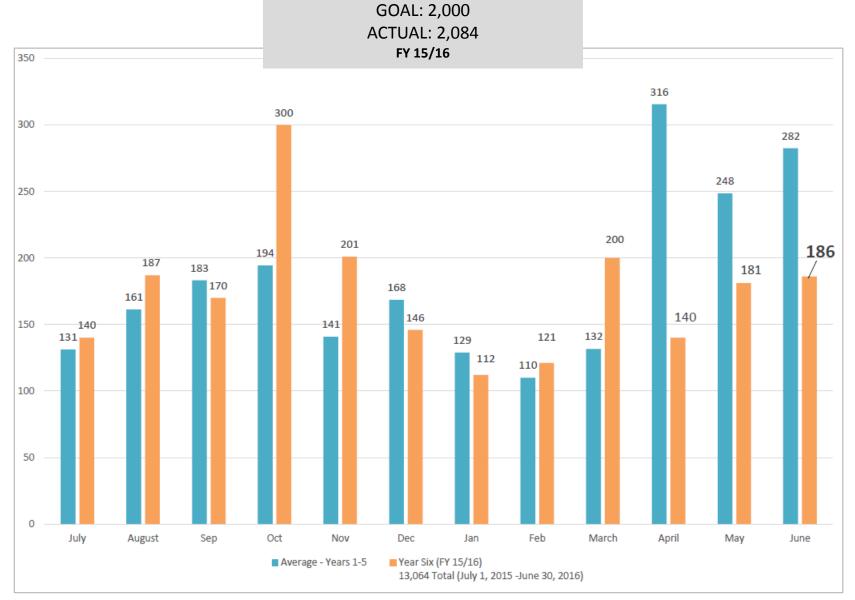
- #1: Promote alternate modes of transportation
- #2: Active participation by private and public sector employers
- #3: Active participation by commuters
- #4: Regional coordination



## GOAL #1: PROMOTE ALTERNATE MODES OF TRANSPORTATION

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGY
1.1 Increase use of alternative modes for commute trips to work	1.1.1 Ridematching service to assist formation of carpools and vanpools
	1.1.2 Assist in launch of phase II of Central Florida Carshare Program
	1.1.3 Support carshare expansion
	1.1.4 Address safety concerns by offering WalkWise and Cycling Savvy Lite courses
	1.1.5 Research best practices for neighborhood-based outreach programs and outline pilot program

### **RIDEMATCHING DATABASE**



#### Measurement for:

1.1.1 Ridematching service to assist formation of carpools and vanpools

### **New Partnership with Zipcar**



- Launched February 3, 2016
- Six cars in Downtown Orlando
- Two cars in Winter Park
- Additional cars near Disney, at the Orlando International Airport, UCF, Rollins College and Stetson University



Measurements for:

1.1.2 Assist the launch of phase II of the Central Florida Carshare Program, in collaboration with stakeholders and vendor

1.1.3 Support efforts to expand the carshare program where appropriate

### ADDRESSING SAFETY CONCERNS

- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Cycling Savvy (full course), September 18 and November 7, 2015
- City of Orlando Cycling Savvy Lite, Men's Wellness Summit, September 24, 2015
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#### Measurements for:

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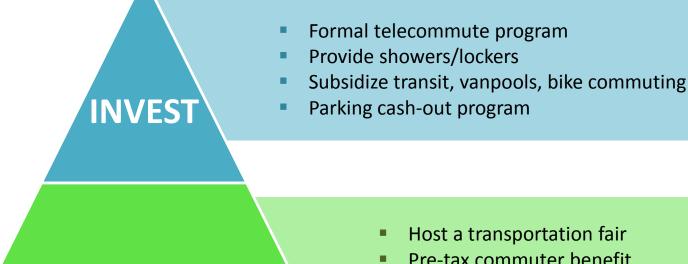
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## GOAL #2: ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF EMPLOYERS

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGY
2.1 Maintain relationships with <u>current</u> employer partners	2.1.1 Leverage partnership levels to encourage participation
	2.1.2 Recognize Best Workplaces for Commuters
	2.1.3 Identify employer partner for gamification pilot program development
2.2 Create relationships with <u>new</u> employer partners	2.2.1 Target employers in the densest urban area of District 5 with the highest number of transportation options
	2.2.2 Meet with new employers
2.3 Identify, train and energize employees at worksites that can incite mode shift/change the worksite culture	2.3.1 Create a network of "reThink Ambassadors" that regularly coordinate with the reThink team
	2.3.2 Facilitate Employee Transportation Coordinator (ETC) training sessions
2.4 Create worksite programs to decrease SOV commute trips	2.4.1 Promote ridematching through table events
	2.4.2 Promote transportation options through "Lunch & Learn" events and presentations to large groups

### **EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIP LEVELS**



## ENGAGE

#### Host a transportation fair

- Pre-tax commuter benefit
- Bike to Work Day event
- Sell transit passes on-site

## **INFORM**

- Nominate a worksite Ambassador
- Host a Lunch & Learn
- Commute options info for new hires
- Survey employees

### Partnership Levels: Employer Partners FY 15/16

RATING	GOAL	ACTUAL
Stakeholders	45	46
Bronze	75	43
Silver	20	22
Gold	20	22
Platinum	15	11
Best Workplaces for Commuters (BWCs)*	25	26

#### Measurement for:

2.1.1 Leverage partnership levels to assess and encourage participation and recognize high-level employer participation

#### **STAKEHOLDERS\***

- 1. Bike/Walk Central Florida
- 2. BishopBeale
- 3. City of Lake Mary
- 4. City of Titusville
- 5. Crocker Partners Property Management
- 6. Downtown Development Board
- 7. Downtown Orlando Partnership
- 8. ecoPreserve
- 9. Flagler Development Company
- 10. Green Destination Orlando
- 11. Healthy Central Florida
- 12. Juice Bikes
- 13. Lee Vista, Inc.
- 14. Maitland Chamber of Commerce
- 15. Ocala/Marion County Chamber & Economic Partnership
- 16. Parkway Realties
- 17. PM Realty Group
- 18. The Pop Parlour
- 19. Tower Realty
- 20. US Green Chamber of Commerce
- 21. Ustler Development
- 22. Winter Park Chamber of Commerce
- 23. Zipcar

\*Stakeholders are defined as agencies/organizations that provide transit services and/or have a similar missions to promote alternate modes of transportations. This is not a complete list of FY 15/16 stakeholders.

### BRONZE (1-2 ACTIVITIES)

- 1. AAA
- 2. Adventist University of Health Sciences
- 3. Balfour Beatty Construction
- 4. BNY Mellon
- 5. BookThatDoc
- 6. Central Florida Health Alliance (Leesburg & The Villages)
- 7. City of Kissimmee
- 8. City Year Orlando
- 9. Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida
- 10. Delaware North (KSC Visitor Center)
- 11. Disney Disney Springs
- 12. Disney Magic Kingdom
- 13. Florida Hospital Fish Memorial
- 14.Geller Ragans
- 15.Greenberg Traurig
- 16. Heery International
- 17. Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek/Waldorf Astoria
- 18.Holland & Knight
- 19. Homewood Suites by Hilton
- 20. Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport
- 21. Hyatt Regency Orlando

22.Lake Highland Preparatory School

- 23.Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed P.A.
- 24.MV Transportation, Inc.
- 25. National Retail Properties
- 26.Northrop Grumman
- 27.Office of US Senator Bill Nelson
- 28.Optum RX
- 29. Orange County Public Schools
- 30. Orange Lake Resort
- 31. Orlando Airport Marriott
- 32.Orlando Health Dr. P. Phillips Hospital
- 33.Orlando Health South Lake Hospital
- 34.Pershing, LLC
- 35.PlanSource
- 36.Residence Inn Marriott
- 37. Roetzel and Andress
- 38.smart panda labs
- 39.SunGard Public Sector
- 40. Tupperware Brands Corporation
- 41. Vistana Vacation Ownership (former Starwood)
- 42. Volusia County Division of Corrections
- 43. Wyndham Vacation Owner (Corporate)

## **BRONZE EMPLOYER PARTNER FEATURE: DISNEY'S MAGIC KINGDOM**





### Save money & go green with Commuter Assistance!

Ride sharing is a great way to reduce your impact on the environment while saving money.

Sign up for the reThink commuter assistance program. It's easy!

- Visit <u>reThinkYourCommute.com</u> or call 1-866-610-RIDE (7433).
- 2. Receive and review your list of potential local rideshare matches.
- 3. Contact someone with whom you would like to commute.
- 4. Try it out!

For more information or to register, visit The Hub >> Disney Difference tab >> Commuter Assistance >> Helpful Information.

Commuter Assistance

### **SILVER** (3 ACTIVITIES)

- 1. ABC Fine Wine & Spirits (Corporate)
- 2. Akerman LLP
- 3. CH2M
- 4. City of Casselberry
- 5. Construction Data Company
- 6. Disney Reservation Center
- 7. Florida Hospital Orlando
- 8. Goodwill Industries of Central Florida
- 9. Kittelson & Associates, Inc.

10. Law Offices of Kenneth Gallagher

11.LYNX

12.NASA

13.Oracle

14. Orange County Tax Collector (Scott Randolph)

15. Orlando Health – Downtown Campuses

16. Orlando Health – South Seminole Hospital

17. Orlando Senior Health Network

18. Osceola County Government

19. Premier Care in Bathing

20.PRPL.RS

21. University of Central Florida

22. Valencia College

### SILVER EMPLOYER PARTNER FEATURE: ORLANDO HEALTH



- 1. BakerHostetler
- 2. CareerSource Central Florida
- 3. City of Winter Park
- 4. Darden
- 5. Dean Mead
- 6. Department of Environmental Protection
- 7. Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- 8. Flagler County Public Schools
- 9. Florida Department of Transportation
- 10. Highwoods Properties
- 11. Hilton Orlando
- 12.Lockheed Martin
- 13. Orange County Government
- 14. Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC)
- 15. Pinnacle Property Management Services, LLC
- 16.PowerDMS
- 17.Red Lobster
- 18. Rollins College
- 19.Space Coast Area Transit
- 20.Tindale Oliver
- 21. Volusia County Government
- 22.YMCA of Central Florida

### GOLD EMPLOYER PARTNER FEATURE: VOLUSIA COUNTY GOVERNMENT



### PLATINUM

(5 ACTIVITIES, WITH AT LEAST 1 "ENGAGE" AND 1 "INVEST")

- 1. City of Orlando
- Department of Homeland Security- US Citizenship & Immigration Services (Downtown Orlando)
- 3. Greater Orlando Aviation Authority (GOAA)
- 4. HDR, Inc.
- 5. MetroPlan Orlando
- 6. Orange County Public Library
- 7. Orlando VA Medical Center
- 8. Ravago Americas
- 9. VHB
- 10. Viera VA Medical Center
- 11.William V. Chappell, Jr. VA Satellite Outpatient Clinic (Daytona Beach VA)

### PLATINUM EMPLOYER PARTNER FEATURE: RAVAGO AMERICAS



- 1. Amerigroup
- 2. BookThatDoc
- 3. CareerSource Brevard
- 4. City of Casselberry
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- 8. FBC Mortgage, LLC
- 9. Florida Department of Environmental Protection – Central Division
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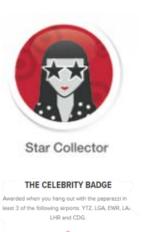
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## GOAL #2: ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF EMPLOYERS

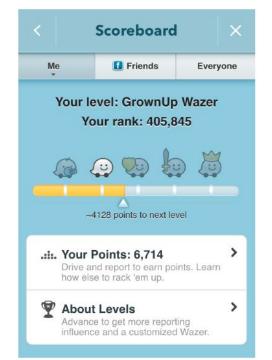
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  - Strategy 2.2.1 Target employers in the most dense urban areas of District 5 with the highest number of transportation options

## GAMIFICATION

- What is it?
  - A tool that rewards positive behavior
  - Leverages incentives to motivate participation
- Why?
  - Ideal for the "what's in it for me?" consumer
  - A tool to capture concrete performance metrics









Measurement for:

2.1.3 Identify employer partner for gamification pilot program development

### **Gamification Website**



### Log Your Trips

### **Earn Badges**

Log a trip
New trip Saved trips
Trip date
03-16-2016
Trip legs
Image: Walk     Image: Bike     Bus     Train     Carpool     Drive alone
• Select a mode above and enter the distance in miles then repeat for any other modes used in your journey e.g. Walk 0.5 miles, Bus 3.5 m
Return trip? 🖲 Yes 🔿 No
If selected this will record your journey twice
Soustrin?
Save trip? Ores ® No
Save this trip to be quickly used again. e.g. "My daily Commute". All saved trips will be stored in the "Saved Trips" tab above.



**Challenge Results** 





### everybody wins.

This May, you can earn points, badges and prizes just for logging your commute trips at GoDTO.org. Whether you walk, take the train or bike to work, everybody wins.

Register today at GoDTO.org. #DTOchallenge @@GO\_DTO

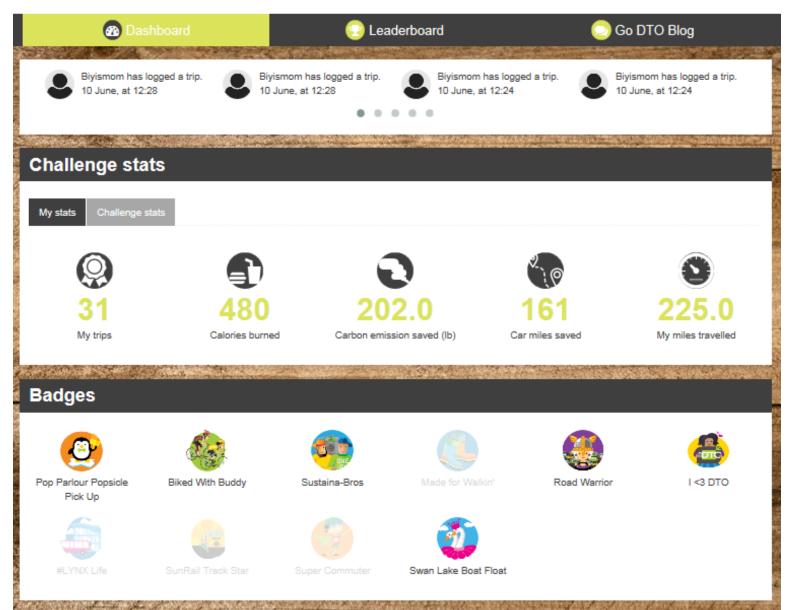
## Downtown Orlando Commute Challenge

- Earn points, badges & prizes by logging your commute trips
- Log your commute trips May 1-31, 2016
- Weekly prizes and end-ofmonth prizes
- Unlock specialty badges
- Designed for people who work the Downtown CRA





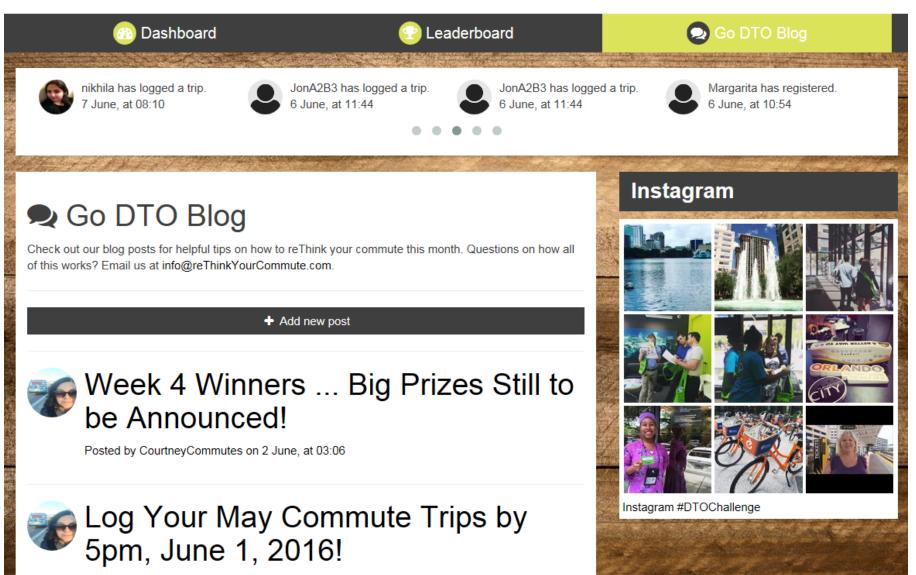












Posted by CourtneyCommutes on 1 June, at 03:46

## Go DTO: Kick-Off Celebration

Hosted by the Downtown Orlando Partnership







## Go DTO: What's Up Downtown

Hosted by the Downtown Development Board



**Go DTO: Bike to Work Day** *Hosted by the City of Orlando* 



Go DTO: Coffee & Commuting Hosted by the Downtown Information Center





**Go DTO: Scavenger Hunt** *Hosted by the Downtown Information Center* 



#### **Special Thanks to Our Partners**













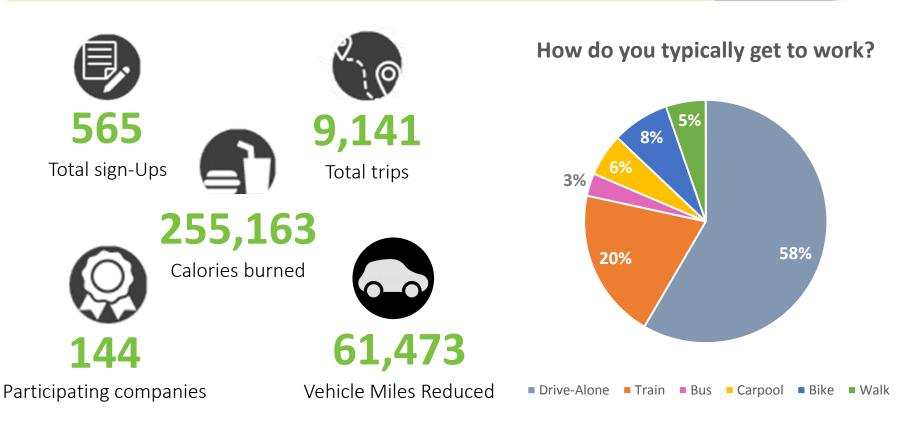




### **Results**

#### **Go DTO Results**





Measurement for:

2.2.1 Target employers in the densest urban area of District 5 with the highest number of alternative modes of transportation available to workforce

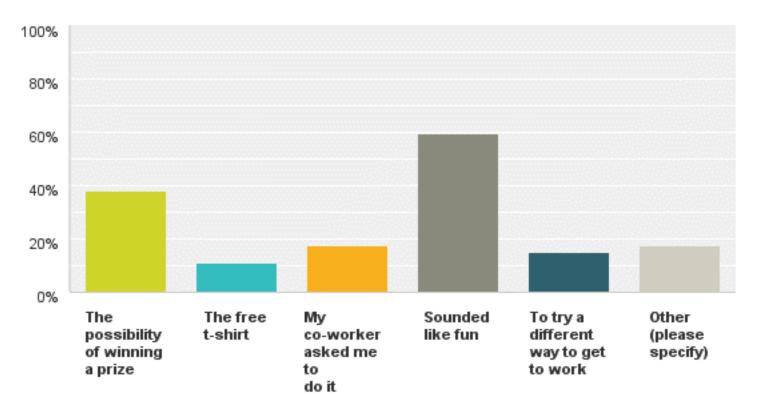






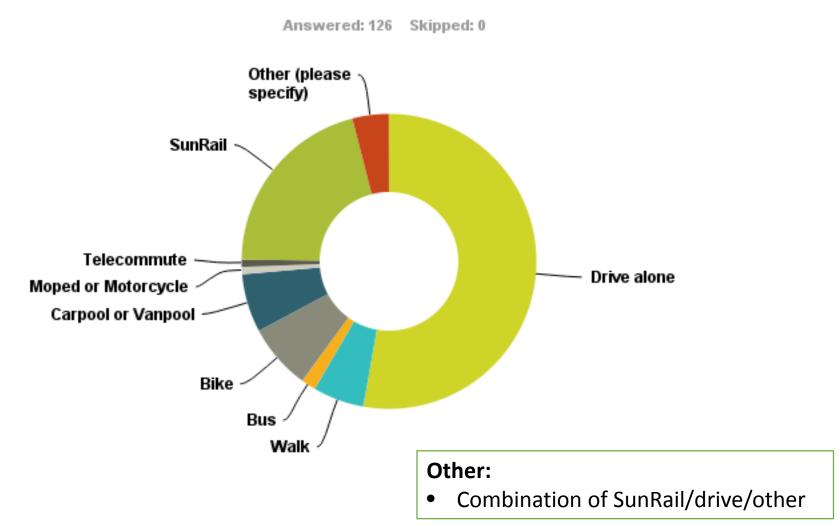
#### Q2 What motivated you to participate in the Go DTO: Downtown Orlando Commute Challenge? (select all that apply)

Answered: 126 Skipped: 0

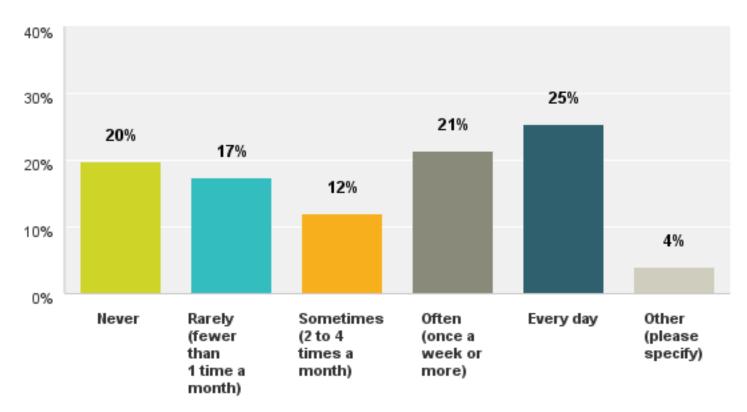


## Other:Already a reThinkerPromote sustainability and alternative modes in DTO

Q3 How did you typically get to work prior to participating in the Go DTO: Downtown Orlando Commute Challenge?



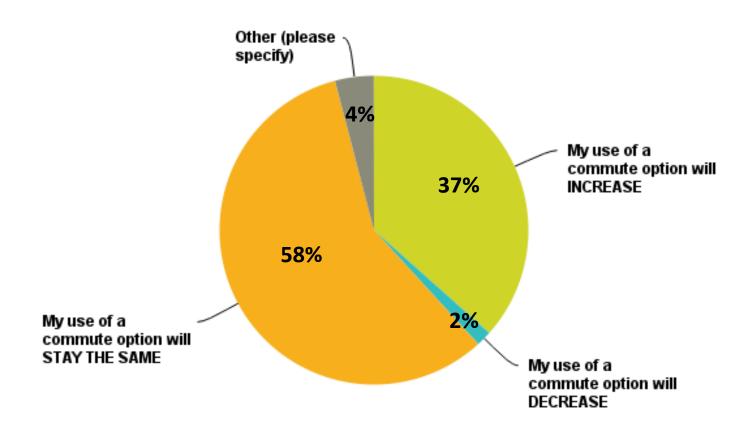
#### Q4 Before Go DTO, how often did you use an alternative commuting mode (e.g. walking, biking, riding transit, carpooling/vanpooling, etc) to get to work?



Answered: 126 Skipped: 0

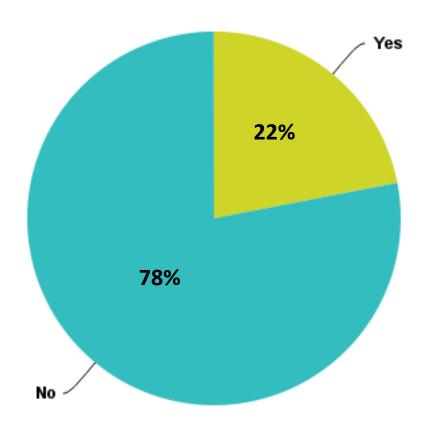
Q5 How do you think the Go DTO: Downtown Orlando Commute Challenge will impact your use of commute options in the future? Commute options include carpooling, riding transit, biking or walking to work.

Answered: 123 Skipped: 3



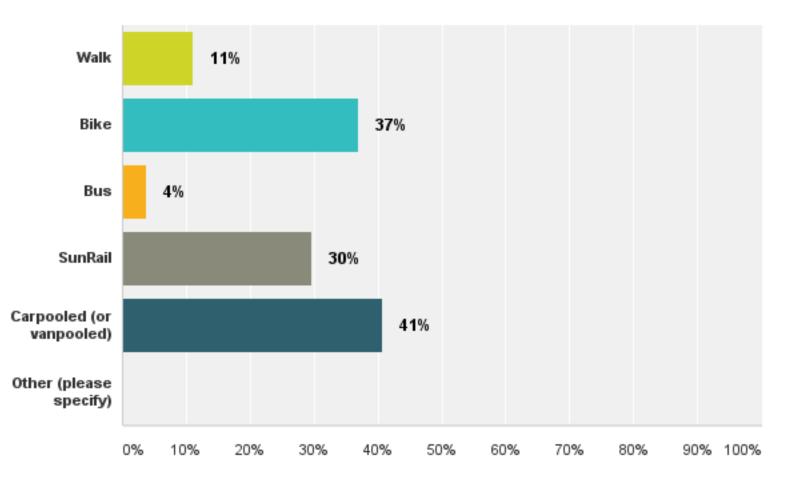
# Q6 Did you use a commute option for the first time as a result of participating in Go DTO?

Answered: 123 Skipped: 3



#### Q7 Congrats on trying something new! Which commuting option(s) did you try for the first time?

Answered: 27 Skipped: 99



#### **Trying something new ...**



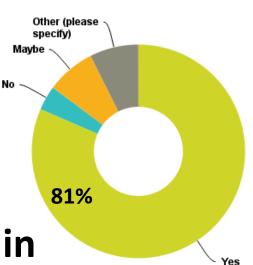
## 93% of first-timers reported having a pleasant experience

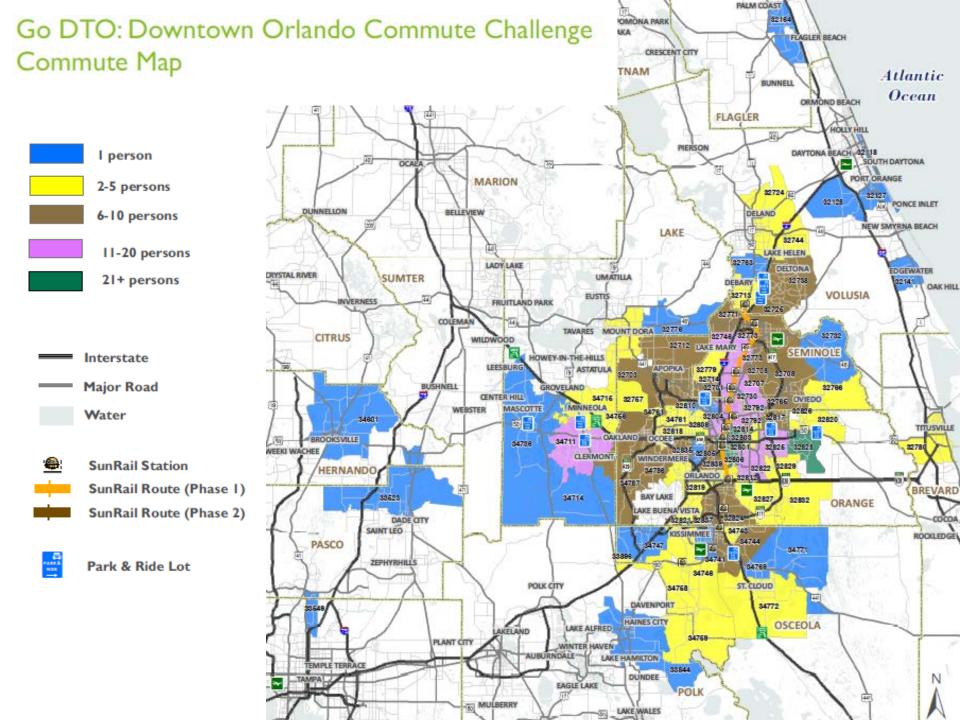
- Enjoyed company and ride when carpooling
- DTO amenities (Zipcar, Juice) make alternative commutes easier
- Constraints: limited train schedule, summer weather

#### 81% said they would try it again

#### Q10 Will you try the commute option(s) again?

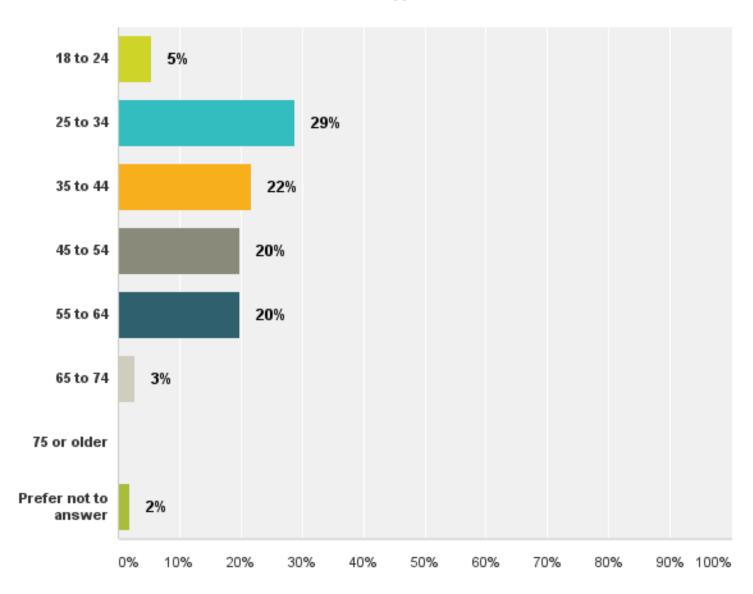
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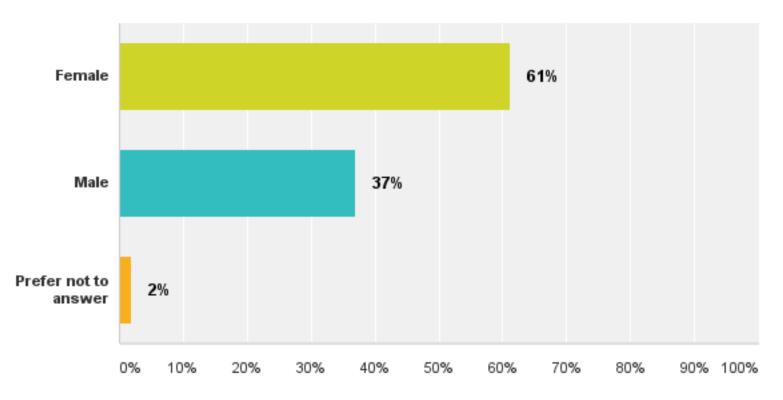
#### Q47 What is your age?

Answered: 111 Skipped: 15

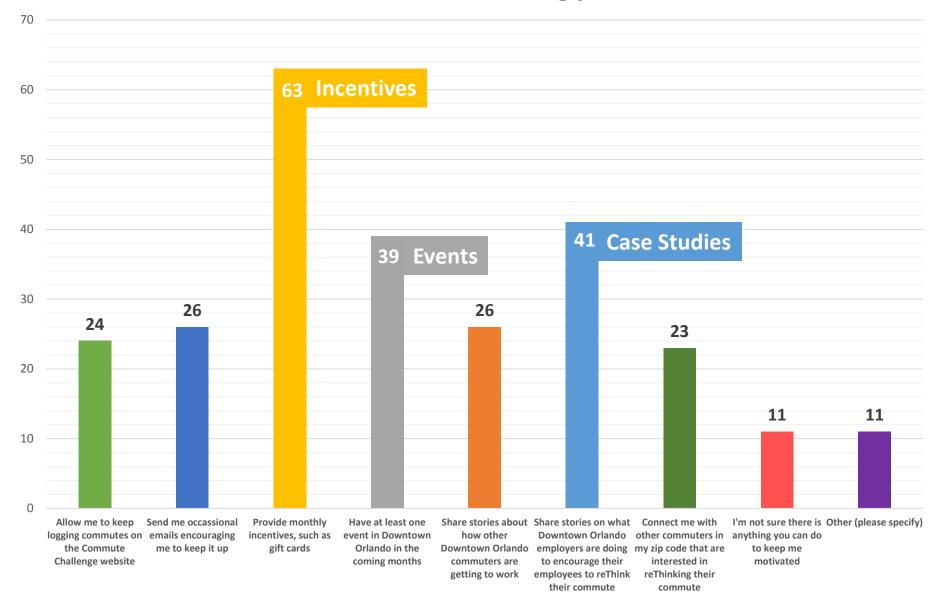


#### Q48 What is your gender?

Answered: 111 Skipped: 15



### Now that Go DTO is finished, what can we do to keep you motivated to continue reThinking your commute?



- Objective 2.2 Create relationships with <u>new</u> employer partners
  - Strategy 2.2.2 Meet with new employers to introduce the program and the transportation options available to their employees
    - o GOAL: 80
    - o ACTUAL: 85



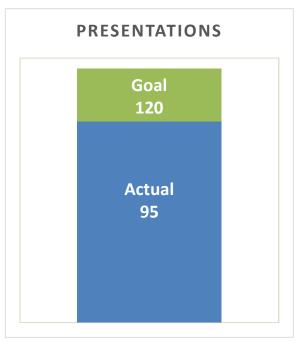
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  - Strategy 2.3.2 Facilitate Employee Transportation Coordinator (ETC) training sessions
    - o GOAL: 12
    - o ACTUAL: 1



- Objective 2.4 Create worksite programs to decrease single occupancy vehicle (SOV) commute trips to work
  - Strategy 2.4.1 Work with employer contacts to promote ridematching through table events
    - o GOAL: 100
    - o ACTUAL: 87



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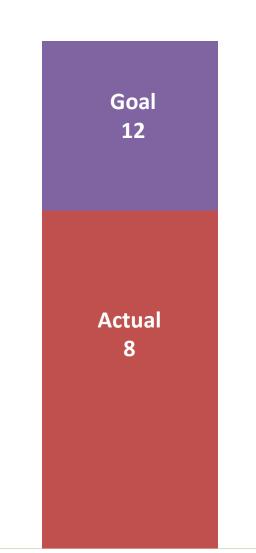




### GOAL #3: ACTIVE PARTICIPATION BY COMMUTERS

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGY
3.1 Assist individuals in reThinking their mode choices	3.1.1 Launch gamification platform in targeted area to engage commuters not already reached through traditional employer outreach
	3.1.2 Provide "Transit Training" opportunities to employee groups and community organizations
	3.1.3 Partner with stakeholders to implement and promote special events focusing on transportation options
	3.1.4 Research opportunities and funding available to develop a tool to assist commuters with finding multimodal cross-county commute options

#### TRANSIT TRAININGS





- Titusville Shared-Use Park & Ride Lot
  - Partnership with Space Coast Area Transit, the City of Titusville and Hope Community Fellowship
  - o October 22, 2015

- Coffee & Commuting
  - Partnership with the City of Winter
     Park, LYNX, SunRail, Juice Bikes, and
     Bike/Walk Central Florida
  - o December 17, 2015





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- Cycle de Mayo, Bike to Work Day
  - Partnership with Flagler County Public Schools
  - o May 5, 2016



- 17th Annual Bike to Work Day in Orlando
  - Partnership with the City of Orlando
  - o May 6, 2016



#### GOAL #4: REGIONAL COORDINATION



OBJECTIVE	STRATEGY
4.1 Maintain consistent and open lines of communication with stakeholders	4.1.1 Coordinate annual update meetings and participate in FDOT Quarterly Transit Workshops
	4.1.2 Provide an annual report
	4.1.3 Achieve "local presence" throughout the District by coordinating with stakeholders to increase availability of reThink staff
4.2 Provide outreach services to all nine counties in District 5	4.1.2 Contact and work with employers and organizations in all nine counties

Locations of Meetings and Events							
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	TOTAL		
Brevard	3	10	10	3	26		
Flagler	0	0	1	3	4		
Lake	0	3	2	2	7		
Marion	2	2	1	2	7		
Orange	98	118	130	159	505		
Osceola	5	3	3	4	15		
Seminole	3	3	2	5	13		
Sumter	0	0	0	1	1		
Volusia	5	17	14	6	42		
TOTAL	116	156	163	185	620		

Measurement for 4.2.1 Contact and work with employers and organizations in all nine (9) counties





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#### **MARKETING GOALS**



- Enhance brand visibility. Become:
  - o A "trusted brand" by 2020
  - More "top of mind" among target audiences
- Deepen relationships with existing employer partners
  - Demonstrate that we're the "#1 resource for commuter options"
  - Provide value and show results
- Establish new employer partnerships in key areas
  - Create programming for commuters in areas where mode shift is likely
  - Work with the best and the brightest companies in Central Florida
- Focus on downtown Orlando





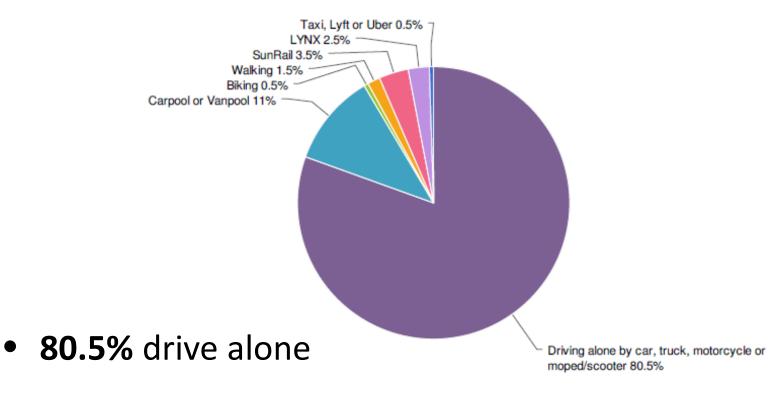
Three target audiences:

- Commuters to the downtown Orlando 32801 zip code from the <u>9-county region</u>
- Human Resource professionals from a variety of downtown businesses
- Integral business leaders representing industries including: tourism, transportation, education, financial, law, healthcare and government



### **COMMUTER HIGHLIGHTS**

4. What "primary" mode of transportation do you use to commute to work?



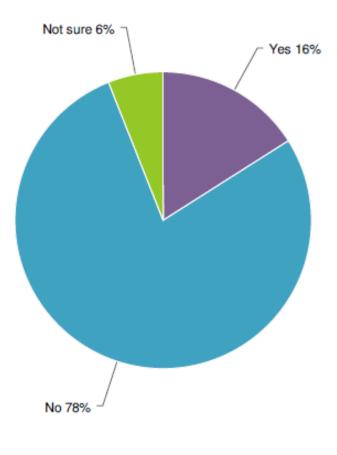
### **COMMUTER HIGHLIGHTS**

- **63.4%** of respondents have considered an alternative mode of transportation, such as carpooling, mass transit or biking
- 52.2% of respondents who considered / tried alternate modes did not continue due to convenience / flexibility



### **COMMUTER HIGHLIGHTS**

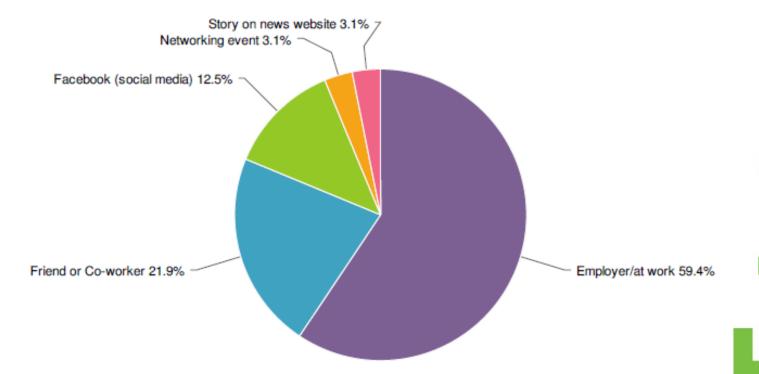
42. Have you ever heard of the reThink program?



• 78% said no

### **AWARENESS OF RETHINK**

• Only **16%** were aware of reThink



This group was well-informed about mission but less certain re: scope of services

### HR AND BUSINESS LEADER HIGHLIGHTS

- More education, demonstrations and trials for their team
- People may be intimidated by how SunRail and LYNX schedules operate
- Solo driver environment "culture change"
- Promote once a week or once a month commuting
- Communication should be polished and "cool"







#### survey identified 3 key motivating factors:



### OVERALL ...

• ... but if it isn't convenient, forget it





### TARGET AUDIENCES



- Audiences include:
  - **Captive commuters** existing, need-based users
  - Socially responsible commuters trend-setting users who are on board to "do good"
  - o Non-users the solo driver
  - Employers



### TARGET AUDIENCES



- Population most pre-disposed to changing habits and embracing the idea of alternative commutes: Millennials
- Continue dedicated outreach to **employers**
- Population frustrated with years of congestion, might be open to vanpool or carpool: 30's and 40's
- Those on the brink of committing to new commuting options, but the **"last mile"** stands in their way



### FIRST STEPS TO MOVING THE NEEDLE



- #1 Revitalize the reThink brand
  - o Goal: trusted brand
  - o Logo and collateral refresh
  - o Refer to program as: reThink Your Commute
  - o Three logo suggestions included in the plan









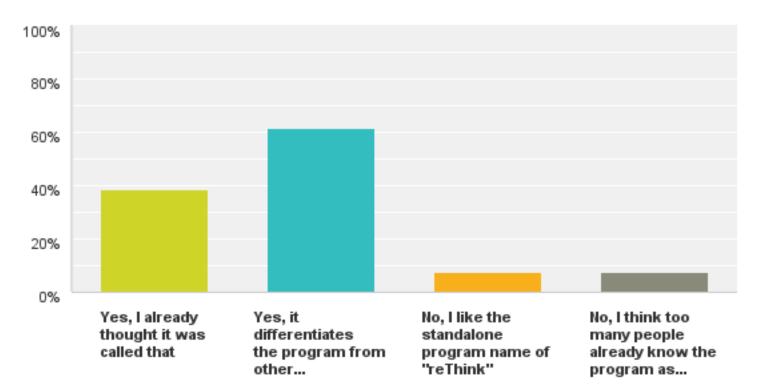






#### Q9 Should the reThink program officially becalled "reThink Your Commute" moving forward?

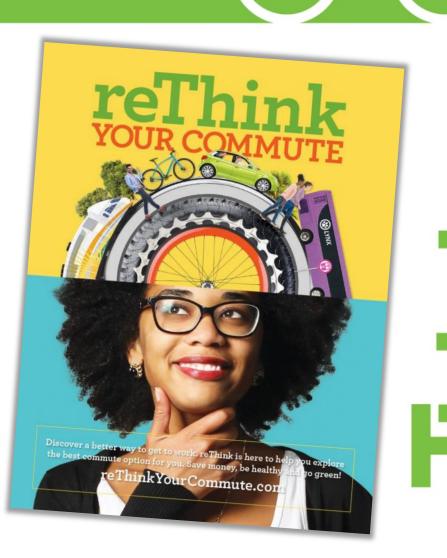
Answered: 13 Skipped: 0



### FIRST STEPS TO MOVING THE NEEDLE



- Combat negative perceptions around commuting
- More professional, contemporary look
- o Attract Millennials



### FIRST STEPS TO MOVING THE NEEDLE

#### • #3 Be storytellers

- Promote the interesting stories and personal experiences of your customers
- Individual commuters and employers/business partners
- Leverage in social media and PR





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### MARKETING TACTICS: MILLENNIALS

- Give a face to the brand
  - Aspirational persona people can relate to in ads
  - Male, late 20's, works downtown at a tech company



# MARKETING TACTICS: MILLENNIALS (continued)

#### • Develop an app

- o Scalability and awareness
- Don't create an app just to create an app
- Solve a problem for consumers



### MARKETING TACTICS: EMPLOYERS

#### • The big picture

- Help employers see the benefit of partnering with reThink
- Start with companies who address sustainability as part of mission, vision, values

#### Corporate recognition

- Create a list ranking "Best Employers for Commuting Options"
- Host a gala with awards
- Corporate engagement
  - o Establish an "Employer Council"



### SOCIAL MEDIA GOALS

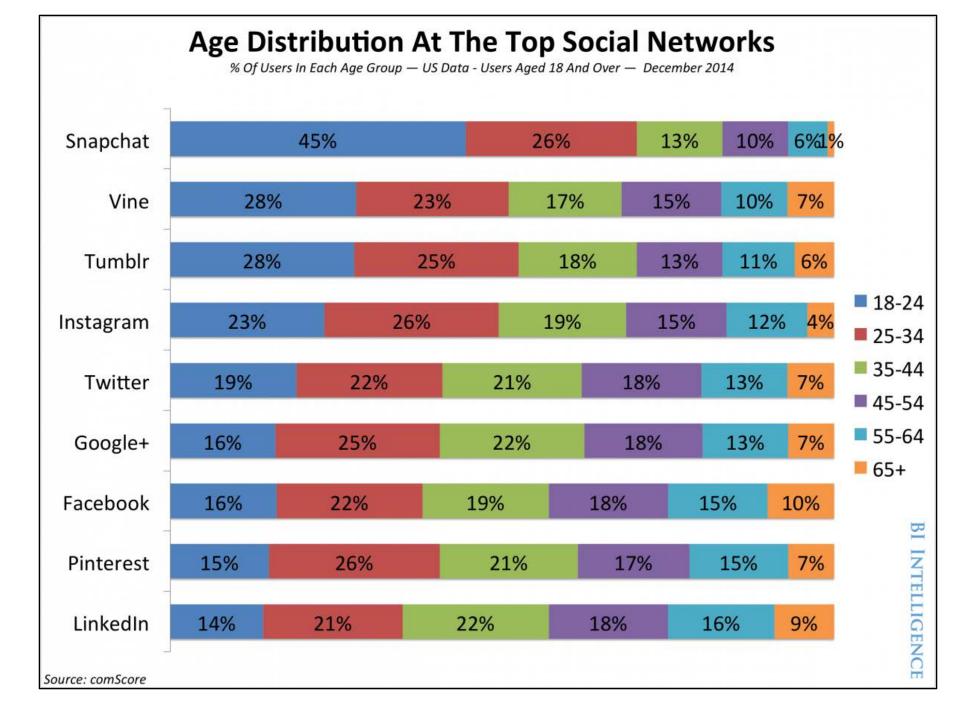
- Increase brand awareness to a targeted audience of potential users
- Establish a **brand personality**
- Listen and respond to conversations in the brand's industry/niche
- Address and **answer pain points** for the target audience
- Showcase success stories





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#### **Social Media: Cross-Promotions**



MetroPlan Orlando shared reThink's photo. August 23 - 🛞

We're proud to be on the region's list of Best Workplaces for Commuters! Want to know how your organization can improve commuter benefits? Contact reThink for details.



reThink Published by Courtney Reynolds [?] · August 22 · @

Best Workplaces for Commuters recognizes the best of the best: employers who encourage their employees to reThink their commute, like MetroPlan Orlando.

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reThink shared Space Coast Area Transit's post. Published by Courtney Reynolds [?] - June 16 - @

Space Coast Area Transit is celebrating #DumpThePump Day today in #BrevardCounty. Visit their website to get your free ticket to ride today. #reThinkYourCommute



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Space Coast Area Transit

June 16 · 🛞

#DumpthePump is TODAY, June 16th! Ride #SCATbus for FREE! Print your ticket-http://bit.ly/1X2Qdbz







## ADVERTISING



### **ADVERTISING**

To increase overall visibility and build awareness of services, reThink can benefit from a strategic advertising approach.

#### **Recommendations for a targeted media buy:**

- Two flights (fall, spring) with mixed media
  - o Digital Billboards
  - Digital Ads (including Facebook and Pandora)
  - o Print
  - o Radio
- Partner with employers to leverage vehicle wraps and magnets
  - o Moving billboards
- Other opportunities
  - Gas station/pump TV screens



# **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

### THE ROLE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

- How can PR help Central Floridians to reThink their commutes?
- Building awareness → Shifting perceptions → Changing behaviors





### **MEDIA RELATIONS**

- Create a steady stream of coverage to keep reThink top-of-mind
  - Promote existing events
  - Share success stories
  - Invite reporters to "rethink their commutes" for a day
  - Publicize the program's success since its founding
  - Address misconceptions about public transit
  - o Generate buzz by enhancing the commuter experience



### **TIMELY OPPORTUNITIES**

- Relevant dates (examples)
  - Second week in March Telework Week (VA and GA)
  - First Wednesday in April National Walking Day
  - Saturday closest to May 10 National Train Day
  - Third Friday in May National Bike to Work Day
  - Third Thursday in June National Dump the Pump Day
  - September 22 Car-free Day
  - o May National Bike Month
  - September Self-improvement Month





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#### TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT

A local pilot program to reduce drive-alone commuter trips using origin-based marketing

### ORIGINS-BASED MARKETING

#### • What is it?

- Also referred to as "community-based social marketing"
- Reaches commuters where their trips actually start: <u>at home</u>
- Provides individualized transportation information to assist them with changing their commute behavior



#### **CASE STUDY REVIEW OF BEST PRACTICES**

Program	Overview	Evaluation Methods	Measured Results	нн	Location	Length	Budget
In Motion	Encouraged healthier travel behavior by providing information, getting action commitments, & offering prompts & incentives to local communities.	• N/A	20% reduction in drive-alone trips.	23,000	King County, WA	N/A	N/A
Neighborhood2Go	Offered households information & personalized assistance to encourage them to use a variety of transportation options.	<ul> <li>Smartphone tracking app</li> </ul>	N/A	72	Tampa, FL	24 mo.	\$206,000 - budget is evolving as program progresses; web & app developed under separate budget.
One Less Car*	Offered households information & financial incentives to help them reduce car use & try other means of transportation.	<ul> <li>Trip diaries</li> <li>Measured driven miles saved</li> </ul>	41,163 driven miles saved	86	Seattle, WA	9 mo.	\$220,000 – operating costs & incentives
SmartTrips*	Provided promotional & informative materials to car commuters, via e-mail & phone to get individuals to try a variety of transportation options.	<ul> <li>Pre &amp; post surveys</li> </ul>	15% relative reduction in drive- alone trips	N/A	Portland, OR	43 mo.	N/A
Smart Trips Neighborhoods*	Sent direct mailings, delivered materials via bike (Smart Trips Kits), engaged youth leaders, & held free events to engage households.	<ul> <li>Pre &amp; post phone survey</li> </ul>	83% participants took new walking, biking or transit trips	3,000	St. Paul, MN	N/A	\$620,000 – budget total
Spare the Air*	Urged drivers to voluntarily reduce their driving on days when air pollution is approaching unhealthy levels.	<ul> <li>Phone interviews "Spare the Air" &amp; "Control" days.</li> </ul>	35% of respondents reported reducing car use	N/A	San Joaquin, CA	Seasonal	N/A
TravelChoice	Provided personalized outreach, information & training on transportation alternatives.	• N/A	14% reduction in drive-alone trips	7,800	Alameda County, CA	4 mo.	\$330,000 – excludes evaluation costs
TravelSmart	Engaged individuals through contact letters & face-to-face conversations with at least one person per household.	<ul> <li>GPS tracking</li> <li>Odometer tracking</li> </ul>	24% reduction in VKT	22,103	Adelaide, Australia	42 mo.	N/A
Whatcom Smart Trips	Provided resource materials online + discounts for making Smart Trips.	<ul> <li>Self-reporting via Trip Diary on website</li> </ul>	15% reduction in miles driven per day.	10,037	Bellingham, WA	N/A	\$982,000 – budget total

\*Program sample size was not statistically relevant.

### TEMPLE TERRACE (TAMPA) PILOT PROGRAM

#### • Objective

- Encourage residents to increase use of transit, walking and biking to reduce traffic congestion and create healthy, livable communities
- Remove barriers to an activity while simultaneously enhancing the benefits

#### • Target

- o Recruiting 72 households
- Recruiting "Community-Based Transportation Coordinators" (CBTC)



### TEMPLE TERRACE (TAMPA) PILOT PROGRAM

#### Techniques

- o Social cause marketing
- One group to receive "information-only" and second group to receive information plus support from the CBTC

# Neighborhood 2GO

#### • Performance Metric

 Behavior change/use of transportation options

### PILOT PROGRAM FOR CENTRAL FLORIDA



#### • Program Design

- Selection of target areas
- Create tools and information for households (website, brochures, etc.)
- o Recruitment and training of Ambassadors
- Recruitment and selection of households
- Work with stakeholders regarding safety concerns
- o Outline evaluation and assessment criteria

### PILOT PROGRAM FOR CENTRAL FLORIDA

- Progress to date
  - Established program purpose and objective
  - o Selected target areas
  - Developed working draft of program framework
  - Stakeholder coordination in selected target areas
  - Presented pilot program to FDOT Project
     Management team to request funding to move forward











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Q1	FY 15/16 Performance Metrics		
July through September 2016	Marketing Plan Review & Completion		
	YMCA – Communities for Health Kick-Off Events		
	Go DTO Fall Get Together & Open House – Sept. 19		
	Maitland NeighborLink 652 Promotion		
	New Hire Training (Outreach Specialist)		
	Employer Outreach: Meetings & Events		

### FY 16/17



Q2	Annual Meeting		
October through	Program Rebranding		
December 2016	BIKE FRIDAYS		
	Maitland NeighborLink 652 Promotion (continued)		
	FDOT's Mobility Week 2016		
	Cycling Savvy – October 21-22		
	Multimodal Regional Trip Planner Kick-Off		
	Origins-Based Marketing & Outreach Pilot Program Kick-Off		
	SunRail Saturday Service begins October 8		
	City of Orlando's "One Less Car, One More Park" – November 3		
	Orlando Weekly's "Ciclovia" – December 4		
	Winter Park Commute Challenge "Coffee & Commuting" – December 9-16		
	Employer Outreach: Meetings & Events (Benefits Fairs season)		





#### **Q3**

January through March 2017 Space Coast Area Transit Partnership: "New Year, New App" and Transit Summit – January 27

Florida's Bike Month

City of Kissimmee, Bike to Work Day event – March TBD

TransitScreen Partnership

**Employer Outreach: Meetings & Events** 





<b>Q4</b>
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April through June 2017

Go DTO: Downtown Orlando Commute Challenge May 2017

National Bike Month

City of Orlando, Bike to Work Day – May 5

Cycle de Mayo, Flagler County Public Schools Bike to Work Day – May 5

Employer Outreach: Meetings & Events (Earth Day season)

### DISCUSSION

- Program elements not discussed today
  - Emergency Ride Home (ERH)
     Program
  - o Vanpool ridership

Period	Claims	Amount		
FY 10-11	12	\$559.25		
FY 11-12	15	\$693.24		
FY 12-13	24	\$1,657.53		
FY 13-14	23	\$1,196.77		
FY 14-15	41	\$2,011.29		
FY 15-16	48	\$2,949.60		

### \$9,067.68

ERH Overall cost since FY 10/11

### DISCUSSION

#### General discussion

- o Impact of I-4 Ultimate Improvement project
- Impact of transportation network companies (TNCs)
- Feedback to advertising plan?
- Response to "Employer Council" proposal?
- Any "timely opportunities" we need to add to our calendar?
- Are there objectives and strategies on which you would like us to focus?



### DISCUSSION

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