

# BIKE TO WORK DAY 2025

### **Event Overview and TPB Proclamation**

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## **Background**

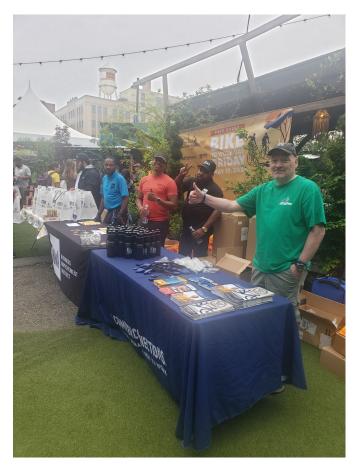
- Regional event co-organized by Commuter Connections and WABA
  - TPB staff facilitate the Bike to Work Day Steering Committee with 200+ members
- Coincides with National Bike Month (May) and Bike to Work Week (May 12-18), as designated by <u>The League of American Cyclists</u>
- Celebrates bicycling as a clean, fun, and healthy way to get to work
  - Focus on bike commuting aligns with the Commuter Connections mission of promoting sustainable and efficient commute modes
- Grown to 100+ local "pit stops" since regional event launched in 2001





## **Local Pit Stop Events**

- Participants cycle to a pit stop on their way to/from work
  - Receive free t-shirt, refreshments, raffle entries, bicycle literature, and other swag
- 108 pit stops for 2025 event
  - Located throughout 23 COG jurisdictions
  - Participants pre-register at <u>biketoworkmetrodc.org</u>
- Convoys led by experienced volunteer bicycle commuters help reduce barriers for first-time cyclists
- Many pit stops are located at employer sites
  - FDA, National Geographic, etc.



2024 NoMa Wunder Garten Pit Stop (NoMa)



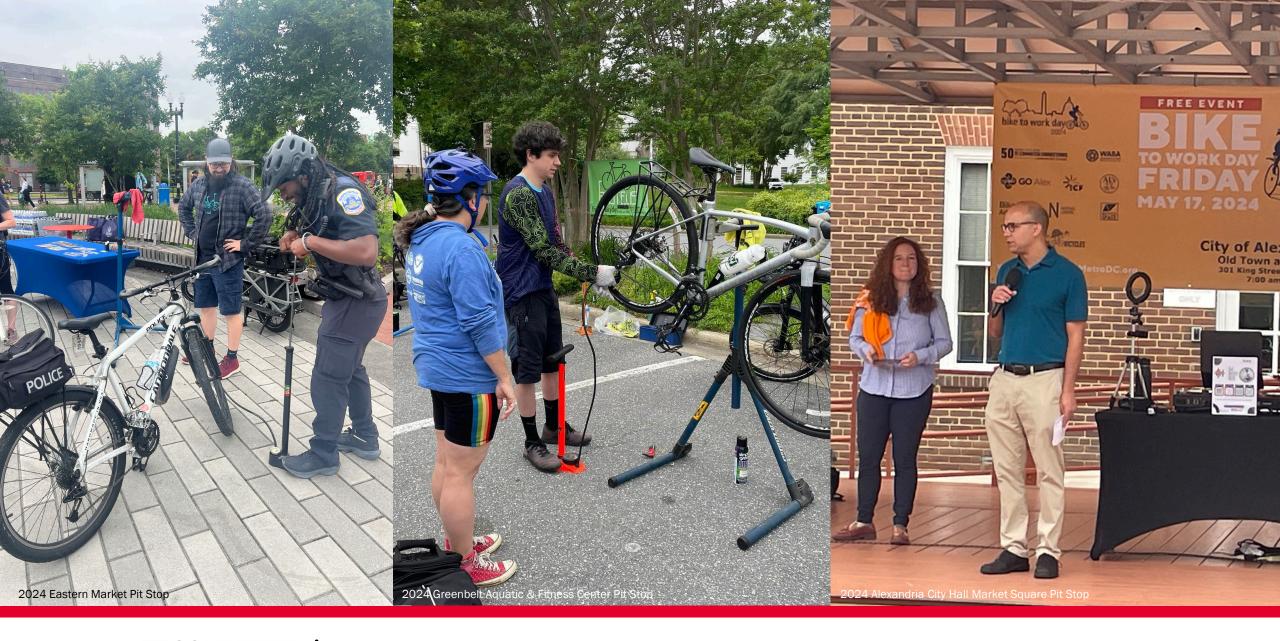
## **Support for Cyclists**

- Opportunity to promote resources and programs for bike commuters
  - Cycling classes
  - Bicycling to work guides
  - Online bicycle route finder
  - Regional bike map
  - Guaranteed Ride Home
  - CommuterCash Incentive Program



Cyclists pickup bike related literature and giveaways at the North Bethesda Pike & Rose Pit Stop (NBTMD, 2024)















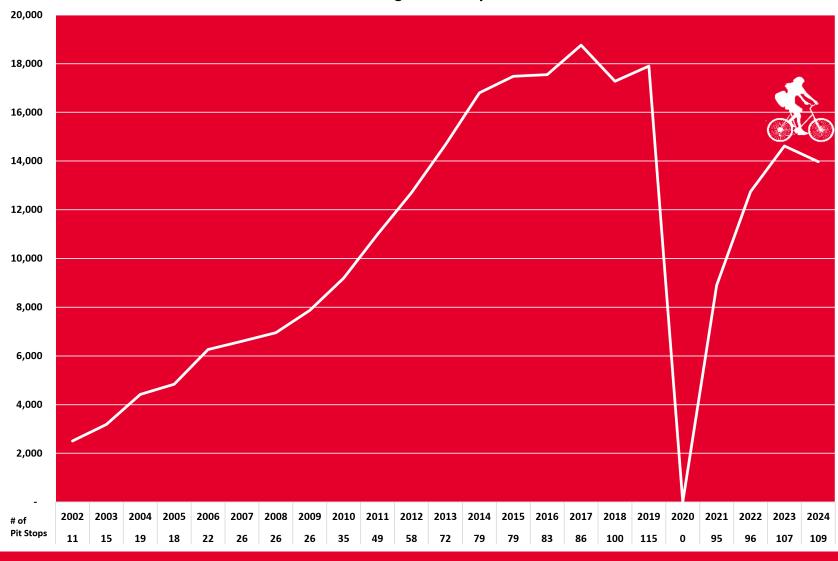








#### Bike to Work Day Registration By Year



# Participation Metrics

• 2017: 18,700 (peak)

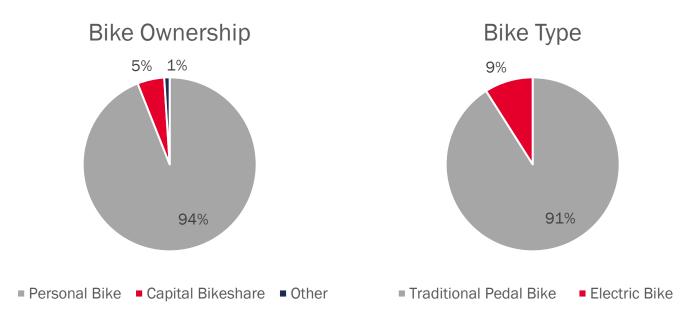
• 2024: 14,000

• 2025: 15,000 (goal)



## Notable Findings from 2022 Participant Survey

- Prior to event, <u>14%</u> of respondents never commuted by bicycle
- Following event, <u>20%</u> of respondents started bicycling to work or increased frequency
- Cyclists' favorite aspect of event experience is "Sharing ride with other cyclists" (27%)

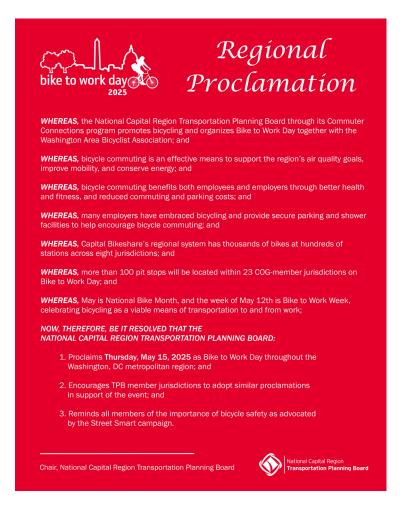


View/download the full set of 2022 Bike to Work Day Participant Survey results at commuterconnections.org



### **TPB Proclamation**

- TPB staff will recommend the TPB proclaim
   Thursday, May 15, 2025 as Bike to Work Day
  - Action item on April TPB Agenda
- Supports regional cohesion by honoring one event date
- Generates media awareness for news stories
- Inspires local jurisdiction proclamations
- TPB members invited to attend local pit stops





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