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New Year, New Commute?

Do any of these New Year's resolutions sound familiar?

- Spend less, save more
- Get a new job
- Lose weight or stay fit and healthy
- Stop procrastinating

Ever think that trying a new commute can help you achieve your new year's resolutions? By riding transit, sharing your ride, or biking and walking, you can keep the cost you would have spent on operating and maintaining a car, and put that savings in the bank. Or maybe you can change jobs, knowing you have a way to get there. And at the same time, you can also work toward your health goals:

- Transit - walk to the transit stop, or get off the transit vehicle a few stops before your actual stop to get in some extra steps
- Vanpool/Carpool - walk to the place where you meet your pool group
- Biking/Walking - use your commute as your workout

Sign up with CommuteInfo today to find out what transit, vanpool, carpooling, biking, and walking options are available for your commute. Request your report today (and take care of that *procrastinating* resolution at the same time): https://sec.commuteinfo.org/comm_match.shtml.



PennDOT Unveils 511PAConnect

511PAConnect is a new initiative that provides information updates to motorists in the event of a long-term road closure due to accidents on the Pennsylvania Turnpike or other state roadways. Motorists who receive the alert will have the option of registering for automatic text messages or phone call updates. Follow-up notifications will be generated by Turnpike and PennDOT staff monitoring the closure. Once the incident is resolved, motorists who registered for the alerts will automatically be unsubscribed and all personal data will be scrubbed from the system.



511PAConnect is a new, trapped-traveler emergency communications tool that allows incident response teams to communicate via automated phone or text message directly with motorists who are trapped in a roadway backup.

PennDOT and the Turnpike offer a variety of tools to keep travelers informed during all levels of incidents — including the 511PA smartphone app, phone number, online sources and social media platforms — but 511PAConnect is the first initiative of its kind to link directly to a targeted group of travelers who are being impacted by, or who are approaching, a large-scale emergency. Learn more at: www.paturnpike.com/travel/511PAConnect.aspx.

Outreach & Events

Interested in having CommuteInfo at your community/employee event or meeting, or if you would like additional information, please contact us at commuteinfo@spreregion.org.



Operating a customer-focused full service commuting options resource center, running the region's vanpool and carpool programs, and facilitating the forum for coordinating regional ridesharing efforts--SPC's CommuteInfo Program is the regional one stop shop for ridesharing services.



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