



Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority September 2015 Newsletter

Try Transit Week is Oct. 4 – 10. Ride DART Local, Express, Flex and On Call Routes FREE! Sunday, October 4 – Saturday, October 10, 2015

It's easy to "Try Transit!" Join DART for one of many events during Try Transit Week, Oct. 4 – 10. Try a new route, plan a fun day-trip and learn how you can use public transportation!

- Monday, Oct. 5 – Kickoff at DART Central Station
- Tuesday, Oct. 6 – Coffee with DART along the D-Line
- Wednesday, Oct. 7 – Healthiest State Initiative – DART Walk
- Thursday, Oct. 8 – Try Transit Tailgate: Ankeny
- Friday, Oct. 9 – Route 60 Happy Hour

[Click here for full details](#) or visit ridedart.com.

BIKE & RIDE PROGRAM CELEBRATES 10 YEARS IN OCTOBER

More than **350,000** Bike & Ride trips have been taking on DART since we first launched the program in October 2005! Do you Bike & Ride? DART has bike racks on every Local, Express, Flex and On Call Route and it only takes **20 seconds to load your bike and board the bus!** Secure bike storage is available at DART Central Station.

["Like" DART on Facebook](#) to take part in our social media contest Sept. 21 – 25. We giving away **daily and grand prizes** from local bike shops.

DART RIDESHARE CELEBRATES 20 YEARS

We come a long way since 1995! We began with 6 vanpools, 65 riders and 8,127 monthly miles traveled. Today, DART RideShare has 94 vanpools, 710 riders and 143,005 monthly miles traveled!

Some things haven't changed in 20 years: RideShare continues to help commuters reduce stress, save money, reduce vehicle wear and tear, make new friends and so much more!

If you think the RideShare program may work for your commute, visit ridedart.com or click here: <http://www.ridedart.com/services/rideshare>. Sign up in October and receive 20% off the monthly fare.

MOBILE APPS AVAILABLE

- **RideTime** – This mobile app is great for seasoned DART riders or if you just want to know where the nearest DART bus stop is located. RideTime allows you to find nearby bus stops, save your favorites and set reminders for next bus times - all in real-time.
- **Google Maps** – For new DART riders or current riders going to new destinations, Google Maps is a great tool for trip planning. Enter your trip details and select the transit icon to plan trips on DART in real-time.



RIDE FREE! NEW ROUTE 5 FRANKLIN AVE

Don't forget you can ride NEW Route 5 Franklin Ave for FREE now through Saturday, October 10, 2015! Visit ridedart.com for the Route 5 schedule or click here: www.ridedart.com/routes/local/5-franklin.

Route Destinations:

- Merle Hay Mall
- Franklin Public Library
- Mercy-Franklin Medical Center
- Drake University
- Downtown Des Moines

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