

Naval Support Activity Bethesda Commuter News

Important Events

December

6 December 2010

-NNMC Command Orientation

7 December 2010

-Ridesharing Workshop

Building 1 Room 1643
1300

15 December 2010

-Transit Benefit Workshop

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1300

Park & Ride Lots Tie You to Mass Transit

What is the missing link that will connect more commuters with mass transit in our area? Park and Ride locations.

There are many park and ride locations in Maryland and Virginia that are convenient to residential neighborhoods, provide free parking and have regional bus services that connect them to Metro Stations or directly to your workplace.

Counties in Maryland often provide information online regarding park and ride lot locations and the regional buses that service them. Montgomery County provides an online list and can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

The state of Virginia also has a listing of park and ride locations alongside the corresponding bus that services each lot and can be found by clicking [here](#). The site is broken up by county. To find a lot near you, follow the link for the county you live in.

According to a recent survey completed by Commuter Connections, the average distance for commuters in the surrounding counties to a bus stop was .9 miles. Chances are there is a park and ride lot or bus stop within close proximity to where you live.

The possibilities of reducing your commute time and saving money on fuel costs are definitely worth investigating.

Regional Focus on Local Buses: Virginia

For those living in Leesburg, Ashburn or Sterling, did you know there are commuter buses that will link you to the West Falls Church Metro station?

What about for those who live in Fairfax or Arlington and need to connect to the Metro?

How about a bus service that connects the cities of Prince William, Manassas and Linton Hall with Washington D.C.?

The counties of Northern Virginia are doing their part to help commuters link to Mass Transit. Several counties and cities provide local bus service that link commuters from park and ride locations and bus stops to Metrorail and other forms of mass transit.

A few examples of the providers that are currently operating include: Arlington County ART, Fairfax City CUE, Alexandria City DASH, Fairfax Connector, Loudoun County Commuter Bus,

Omniride and the Valley Connector.

An example of a local provider is the Alexandria City DASH. The city provides a bus service within Alexandria and connects the city residents with Metrobus, Metrorail and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE).

An example of a county provider is the Loudoun County Commuter Bus System. The county provides a coach bus system that connects outlying cities with Metrorail stations. Some of the cities that the bus services include Purcellville, Leesburg and Ashburn.

To find out more information on area transit resources in the National Capital Region contact NSA Bethesda's Transportation Program Coordinator Ryan Emery at: ryan.emery@med.navy.mil or call at 301-319-3818

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Pass & ID roll out nearly is in the final month of implementation. Have you updated your badge & vehicle decals? Time is running out. Please see next page for schedule details. . .

December Distribution Schedule

*New Badge and
Parking Permit Roll-
out Schedule. . . .*

29 Nov- 2 Dec

Navy Central HIV
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
Resident Officer-in-Charge of Construction
Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society
United States Marine Corps Liaison
United States Coast Guard Liaison
Navy Legal Service Office

3 Dec

Stragglers and Construction Workers

6-8 Dec

Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical
Navy Medicine National Capital Area
Navy Medicine Support Command
American Red Cross (Staff and Volunteers)

9 Dec

Stragglers and Construction Workers

13-16 Dec

Navy Medicine Manpower, Personnel, Training and
Education Command

17 Dec

Stragglers and Construction Workers

20-23 Dec

Vendors (Dry Dock, Subway, Main St, McDonalds, etc.)

27-30 Dec

All Stragglers and Construction Workers

Paid to Carpool

Commuter Connections has announced that they will be continuing their 'Pool Rewards' program and hope to expand the program to up to 740 participants.

Pool Rewards is a program that encourages drive alone commuters in the Washington, DC region to try carpooling. The program will offer participants \$2 per day (\$1 each way) for a 90 day consecutive time period up to a maximum of \$130.

To be a part of the program, participants need to

start or join a new carpool, go online and log information about their commutes in to the database and complete a survey about their experience.

Commuter Connections states that the first phase of the program was so successful that they are making room in the program for up to 740 participants.

To learn more information please visit:

<http://www.mwcog.org/commuter2/commuter/ridesharing/PoolRewardsProgram.html>



Important Links:

-Montgomery County Park and Ride Locations:

<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/tsvtmpl.asp?url=/content/DOT/transit/routesandschedules/brochures/parklots.asp>

-Virginia Park and Ride Locations:

<http://www.virginiadot.org/travel/pnrlots.asp>

-Alexandria City DASH Bus

<http://www.dashbus.com/>

-Loudoun County Commuter Bus

<http://www.loudoun.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=785>

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