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EConnections - A Greener Way To *Comm*unicate

Voting has begun in Toyota's 100 Cars For Good Campaign

So far over 30 cars have been given away to non-profit agencies.



Our Turn Is Coming

Wednesday, July 25th, Day 73.

Greater Mercer TMA's RideProvide program that provides transportation services for seniors and visually impaired adults is up against four other organizations on that day to win a Toyota vehicle.

You don't have to wait until July 25th to visit the site, go to www.100carsforgood.com, where you can check out our video and profile on why we need a vehicle and request a reminder to vote. That Wednesday, you will receive an email with a link reminding you to vote. Voting takes place between 10:00 AM – 11:59 PM.

How To Set-Up A Reminder

Go to: www.100carsforgood.com

3 Ways To Find Us:

1. Enter Greater Mercer TMA in the search box at the top
2. Click on the "Browse Org" button on the top, enter our name
3. Click on the "Vote" button on the top, scroll the timeline to Day 73

Once you've found us:

- Click on the Icon (widget) or our name and our profile will appear.
- Below the Icon will be the button **“Remind Me”**, click to set up your reminder.
- Once you click, a box may appear to ask you to sign in to your facebook account (if your server has not already defaulted to facebook on the Toyota 100 Cars For Good website).
- A box will appear: **REMIND ME TO VOTE ON JULY 25**
- Click to automatically send yourself a reminder

Click "CONFIRM" so you don't miss out on voting!

Applications and votes can only be submitted via Facebook. All you need is an e-mail address to create a facebook account. A facebook page with personal information, photos,etc. does not need to be created to vote.

For more information on how to create a Facebook account visit [Facebook Help](#).

Once you've set up your reminder, you can then send messages to all you know with the tools provided. Grab the widget and add it to your website. Or, we can provide it for you, [widget request](#)

RideProvide Extends Service to Plainsboro

Greater Mercer TMA is excited to have expanded its senior transportation service, RideProvide, into Plainsboro this spring. For the last five years, RideProvide has been providing service only to residents of Mercer County and within Mercer County, but now residents of Plainsboro also have access to the service.

RideProvide will give Plainsboro seniors a new transportation option to help keep them mobile and connected with their community and all of Mercer County. This expansion is good news for Mercer County residents too. Plainsboro has a lot to offer as a destination and now Mercer County RideProvide members can travel throughout Plainsboro as well.

RideProvide provides lower cost door-to-door rides with personal service in private vehicles to seniors and visually impaired adults of any age. Riders can reserve trips for travel to any location within Mercer County and Plainsboro. For more information, contact RideProvide at 609 452-5140, [email](#) RideProvide's program manager Carol Staats, or visit www.rideprovide.org.

Bike To Work Week - A Splash



Despite the stormy weather early in the week, many weathered the elements and rode their bike to work. In fact, there was a 25% increase in the number of on-line registrations this year. After Bike To Work week, some of those who participated shared their thoughts and experiences with us.

“ Saw a few other cyclists wearing the GMTMA T-shirt. That was pretty cool. Nice solidarity.”

“When riding my bike home after a long day in the office, other people on the path smile at me and say hello. That is such a contrast from our typical car commute where most people seem to be constantly annoyed with other drivers.”

“ I cycled from Lambertville to Trenton on a beautiful Friday commute on the towpath. The commute was peaceful and lovely. I saw a blue heron, and many ducks and geese, ducklings and goslings, birds of many kinds, and turtles sunning themselves on logs. It was such a delight communing with nature on my ride.”

“ I'm just happy I've gotten my neighbor inspired to start riding to the station. (She's now done it twice)”

“For the first time in many years, all gears, brakes and tires were in tune. And, I picked a gorgeous day to ride. It was wonderful to see how colorful everything was and to smell all of the flower fragrances. It fueled my work day with lots of positive energy and the ride home (mostly downhill) was exhilarating. “

Up In The Air About Ozone?

What is it, when does it occur and what can I do about it, are all questions we receive from many people at Outreach events. To help clear the air, Greater Mercer TMA has put together a “Know Your AQI” (Air Quality Index) [chart](#) that graphically shows the various levels of AQI and the groups most affected. A [sign](#) that provides recommendations to reduce the ozone impact on you and the environment has also been created. Both are PDF that can be downloaded from our website and posted. To receive notice of the forecasted AQI index each day, sign-up by following this [link](#).

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