# **A Smart Way to Get to Work**

We encourage you to walk, bike, share a ride, or ride the bus to work. When you make Smart Trips, you help create a clean, healthy, and vibrant community in Whatcom County.

#### We Can Help

We have a Smart Trips Representative on staff to help you with all the services described here. You might be surprised at how easy it is to bus, bike or walk to work. Adding active transportation to your day will benefit your health and save you money. We are here to get you started.



#### **Join the Smart Trips Program**

If you haven't already created a Smart Trips account, go to WhatcomSmartTrips.org to sign up. Be sure to list us as your employer. As you log trips you will qualify for the Smart Trips Discount Card with valuable discounts throughout Whatcom County. Enter 5 trips in a month and you are in a drawing for \$250 cash, five trips each month of the quarter includes you in a drawing for \$1000! You can even log your trips using the Smart Trips app.

## **Facilities for Bicyclists and Walkers**

If you live within 3 miles of work, you could bike here in 15-20 minutes! It only takes around 5 minutes to ride 1 mile and 15-20 minutes to walk a mile. What a great way to get more physical activity into your routine. Ask our Smart Trips Rep for a map showing biking and walking routes. They can also show you the location of our bike parking and any other amenities.

#### **Free Smart Trips Bike Classes**

If you are new to bicycle commuting, Smart Trips offers free private bike classes for any skill level. They can help you find a safe route to work and show you how to handle any tricky intersections with ease. It's easy to put your bike on the bus for part of your ride and they can help you with that too. Call 360-756-8747 to schedule a session.

Visit their website to see a list of classes.



#### **Ridematching Assistance**

Want to cut your driving costs in half? Ask for assistance in finding a carpool match. Carpooling just one or two days a week can save a lot of wear and tear on your car.

#### **Bus Passes and Routes**

Relax and let a professional drive you to work. Ask your Smart Trips Rep about catching the bus to work. If you are new to riding the bus you may qualify for a one time free 31 day bus pass to help you get started.



### **Emergency Ride Home**

Registered Smart Trip makers are eligible for a free ride home, via taxi, in the event of illness, emergency or unexpected overtime. See the <u>Emergency Ride Home brochure</u> for details.



Make a difference anywhere you go

#### **What is Smart Trips?**

Smart Trips is an ongoing partnership between local government, public agencies, employers, and schools to promote transportation by walking bicycling, sharing rides and riding the bus.

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