

Program for Alternative Transportation and Health (PATH)

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Hello PATH Members! If you are a new member - Welcome!

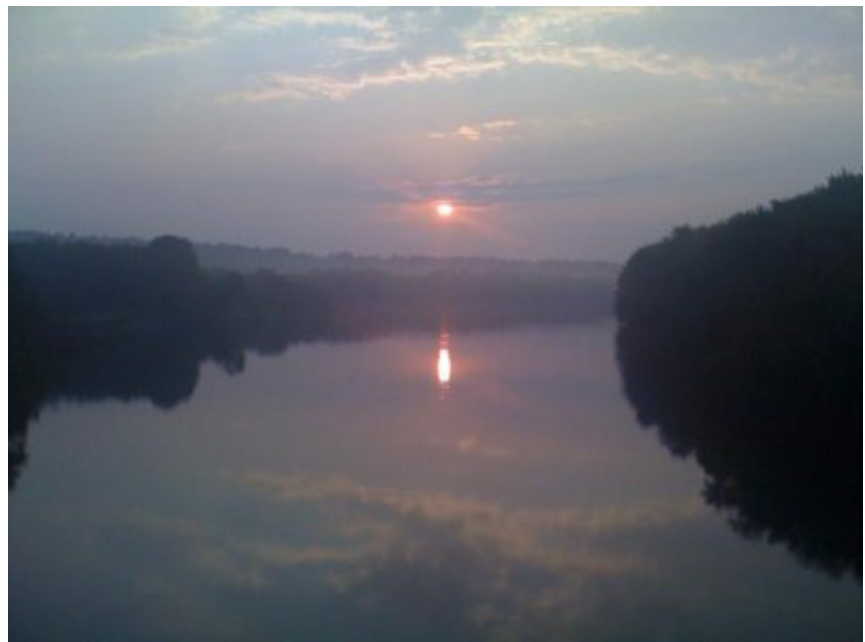
If you have carpoled, bicycled, walked, or taken transit to work at least 10 times during the month of September, you are eligible for the PATH monthly drawing for prizes. **Simply reply to this email or email path@cnhrpc.org to report your commutes and be entered into the drawing.**

As a PATH member, you will receive this email once per month with news, stories, and event listings. If you prefer to not get the monthly email, you may unsubscribe at the bottom of the email.

PATH members who carpool or bike to work are also eligible for the Emergency Ride Home benefit. If you or your fellow carpooler gets caught without transportation in the event of an emergency, PATH will reimburse your cost of transportation home according to the rules of the program. Complete rules and instructions can be found at our website www.path-nh.org.

Share a Photo of your Commute!

This photo was sent to us from PATH member Robert Wyatt, who was inspired to take this picture of the Merrimack River at sunrise while on his bicycle commute to work. The photo was taken from the bike path attached to the I-93 bridge in Concord.



While it seems that very few enjoy commuting to work these days, we have found that many PATH members have been able to make the most of their journey to work.

Is there a nice view along your bike ride to work? Is there a fun coffee stop your carpool enjoys in the morning? Do you happily greet the bus driver after a long day at work? Share your photo with us and we'll post it in an upcoming newsletter article!

Bicycle and Pedestrian Neighborhood Reviews: Tell us where we should look, and come join us!

Do you know of a neighborhood that is unsafe to bicycles and pedestrians? A location where you think there should be a bicycle lane? Where you and community members think it could make sense to put sidewalks or a bicycle path? Let us know and we'll join you on a review of the area.



In a bicycle and pedestrian review, we will walk or ride a neighborhood with residents, town officials, and an engineer or two to help look for ways to make the neighborhood more friendly and safer for walking and biking.

Please complete the brief survey and pass it on to others in your community for their comments. After the assessment team is finished with its assessments, we will present your community a report of findings to discuss with you and any other community leaders.

[Click HERE for the Survey!](#)

For more information please contact [Craig Tufts](#) or [Nik Coates](#) by email or call 226-6020.

Share Your Transportation Funding Priorities with NH DOT

GACIT Hearings Come to Concord October 3

Every two years, the NH Department of Transportation submits a draft transportation plan for the next 10 years. The plan identifies which transportation projects will be funded in the next 10 years. This plan is now available for comment.

In the plan, bridge maintenance, keeping roads in a state of repair, and I-93 are priorities.

Transportation Enhancements (TE) which are a primary source of funding for bicycle and pedestrian projects are proposed see a cut. In addition to an across the board projected cut in federal transportation funding, NH DOT is diverting half of the remaining TE funds to other highway projects.

For the DOT's website on the Ten Year Plan and a schedule of hearings statewide, visit:

<http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/planning/typ/index.htm>.

Should PATH Change its Name? Vote!

Program for Alternative Transportation and Health
vs.
Program for Active Transportation and Health

We have heard from several PATH members over the last few years that there is a problem with the word "ALTERNATIVE." They say it implies that driving is "the way" and bicycling, walking, transit, and carpooling are "alternative", when in fact all transportation modes should be considered equal. The word "active" emphasizes the health aspects of green commuting. Others have said the name is fine, saying there are plenty of alternatives you can choose from in how you get to work. Tell us what you think.

[VOTE HERE!](#)

Funny Carpool Story

This is how NOT to carpool!

[Click HERE for the story!](#)

Fossil Fuel Free Friday Reminder

There is one last FFFF this season! Join us for fun, free coffee and snacks complements of our friends at the [Works Bakery Cafe](#).

The remaining Fossil Fuel Free Friday schedule is:

* October 21, 7-9am at the State House

PATH's mission is to reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality and increase societal emphasis on personal fitness through the creation of services and materials which promote transportation options to the single occupancy vehicle.

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