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## **DART extends \$1 rides providing relief from high gas prices**

Through June 30, drivers can save money using public transit

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) is extending its promotional \$1 cash fare through June 30. The fare promotion, originally set to expire May 31, is intended to help central Iowans feeling the squeeze of record-high inflation and gas prices. The \$1 fare is good for a one-way ride on DART Local, Express and On Call service.

“With gas prices holding steady at \$4 a gallon we wanted to continue offering savings to new and current riders,” said DART Chief External Affairs Officer Erin Hockman. “DART has seen a steady increase in ridership since the promotion was introduced in April. Preliminary reports show average weekday ridership has increased more than 15% since March.”

DART offers a variety of services in the central Iowa area. [Local Routes](#) provide rides within and between communities. [Express Routes](#) travel during peak morning and evening commute times between the suburbs and downtown Des Moines. [Regional On Call](#) service is available in Ankeny, Bondurant, Altoona, Grimes, Johnston, Clive, Urbandale, Easter Lake and portions of West Des Moines.

Anyone interested in saving money on gas can plan trips using DART's [trip planner](#) or by selecting the transit icon in Google Maps. Pay your fare using exact change on the bus or by downloading and creating an account in the [MyDART app](#). Real-time arrival and departure information is available in the app or by texting DART and the bus stop ID # (DART0000) to 515515. Visit [ridedart.com/save](#) for more tips about riding DART.

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**ABOUT DART**

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) is Iowa's largest transit agency and operates a family of transportation services that enriches lives, connects communities and expands opportunities, providing more than 15,000 weekday rides and nearly 4.5 million annual rides to jobs, healthcare, education and a variety of essential destinations throughout 12 member communities in and around Polk County. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit the website at [ridedart.com](#), download the free MyDART app or call 515-283-8100.