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Board DART buses with a bike in May and ride free

May is National Bike Month, and Des Moines Area Regional Transit (DART) is celebrating by offering free rides to anyone who boards with a bike May 1-31, 2023. The free rides are valid on Local, Express, Flex, On Call and DART On Demand services. After loading a bike, riders simply board the bus and find a seat without needing to pay a fare.

"National Bike Month is a great time to try multimodal transportation by biking and riding DART," said DART Chief External Affairs Officer Erin Hockman. "We encourage residents in greater Des Moines to bike to work, school or any destination during National Bike Month. Go further and faster when you bike and ride."

Loading or unloading a bike on DART's bike racks <u>takes less than 20 seconds</u>. Riders with bikes should signal to the bus operator before boarding with a bike and remind the operator when exiting through the front door of the bus that they need to unload their bike from the rack.

National Bike Month is hosted locally by the <u>Des Moines Street Collective</u>. Additional activities to participate in bike month and multimodal transit can be found on their <u>event calendar</u>.

Learn more about <u>biking & riding</u> by visiting ridedart.com. For additional questions, please contact Customer Service at 515-283-8100 or dart@ridedart.com.

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ABOUT DART

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) is lowa'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.