

Commute Trip Reduction

What is CTR?

The Washington State Legislature passed the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Law in 1991 to address growing concern for traffic congestion, air pollution, and gas dependency.

The CTR law aims to encourage workers to drive alone less by riding the bus, walking, biking, using a vanpool or carpool, teleworking, or compressing the workweek.

Benefits to You

How does CTR Benefit You?

Using an alternate commute mode provides great benefits and opportunities. Instead of driving alone to work you could:

- Read a book
- Browse the internet
- Take a nap
- Make new friends
- Save money on gas and car insurance
- Increase your exercise
- Reduce depression
- Live a healthier lifestyle

Goals

Goal 1

Increase the use of transportation alternatives for commute trips among citizens to 33% by 2015 (Governor's Results Washington).



Target: Increase the use of transportation alternatives to 40% by 2019.

Goal 2

Reduce the state's annual vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by 18% by 2020 (RCW 47.01.440 - state VMT goals).



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Goal 3

Reduce the state's greenhouse-gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 (RCW 70.235.020 - state GHG goals).



Target: 18% daily GHG emissions reduction per employee (based on CTR VMT target).

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How can you save money, improve your health, and help save the environment?

Contact your Employee Transportation Coordinator (ETC) to find out!



Resources

What resource are available?

Thurston Here to There

Would you like to learn about different travel options in the area? How about local parks and recreation resources? Visit ThurstonHeretoThere.org to find out that, and much more!



Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) developed ThurstonHeretoThere.org to help people who live in and near Thurston County try alternative ways to travel around our community.

Rideshare Online

RideshareOnline.com

is managed by WA State Department of Transportation. It's a free online tool that assists commuters by providing carpooling, vanpool, and bicycle ridematching services, bus/rail options, SchoolPool carpooling programs for parents, and information about the benefits of teleworking from home. You can also check out ridesharing to events.



Intercity Transit

Want to discover ways to drive less? Visit intercitytransit.com for bus, vanpool, and carpool information. You can also use their online trip planner to create a personalized trip, including route and schedule details.

New to riding the bus? They have free travel training for new riders to learn how to ride the bus safely and confidently. For more information, e-mail traveltraining@intercitytransit.com.

Rural & Tribal Transportation

Rural & Tribal Transportation (RT) provides accessible transportation services for the Nisqually Indian



Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, and the communities of Bucoda, Rainier, Rochester, Tenino, Yelm and other parts of rural Thurston County.

RT connects to Intercity Transit in Thurston County and Twin Transit in Lewis County.

Check RT out at www.thurstonRT.org or 1-800-650-7846.

Thurston County Bike Map

The Thurston County Bike Map shows trails, bike lanes, wide shoulders, and routes commonly used by cyclists. For a free copy call 360-956-7575 or email montgomeryb@trpc.org.



You can also use the online interactive map. Go to www.trpc.org/503/Interactive-Bike-Map-Disclaimer and enter your origin and destination. The map will help plan your bike route and show you elevation information. Choose the hilly routes for a challenge and lower elevations when you want an easier ride.

Smart phone users: Download a GPS enabled app from the Apple App Store or Google Play marketplace.

Olympia Walking Map

The City of Olympia recently developed a new Walk Map. It includes points of interest, estimated walk times, and walking trails.

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For questions about the Olympia Walk Map contact Michelle Swanson, at 360-753-8575 or mwsanson@ci.olympia.wa.us.