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DART to Show Off Bike Racks throughout Bike Month, Offer Free Rides to Cyclists during Bike to Work Week

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority will be showing off the bike racks on its buses in May in recognition of Bike Month with displays, events, and free rides for cyclists during Bike to Work Week.

Bike racks were installed on DART's fleet of buses in 2005 and have been used by thousands of DART customers since then, including more 34,000 uses in the past 12 months.

"Our customers love the bike racks, and we want everyone in Greater Des Moines who owns a bike to discover them," said Angela Connolly, Polk County Supervisor and DART Commission Chair. "Using a bike in conjunction with the bus system makes it much easier to get around the metro without relying on a car."

During Bike to Work Week (May 16-20), riding DART will be free to all cyclists with a working bicycle. They will also need a coupon, available at the bike shops listed below, as well as at other Bike Month events.

For cyclists who want to practice using the bike racks, DART will have full-sized, functioning bike rack displays at area bike shops throughout Bike Month.

Friday, April 29 – Thursday, May 12

Bike World, 6600 Douglas Avenue, Urbandale
Barr Bicycle, 1710 86th Street, Clive

Friday, May 13 – Tuesday, May 31

Bike Country, 825 East First Street, Ankeny
Rasmussen Bike Shop, 301 Grand Avenue, West Des Moines

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority is the public transportation provider that serves Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services that makes getting around the Greater Des Moines area easier and more convenient. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit our website at www.ridedart.com or call 515.283.8100.