

The MCDOT Commuter Services Bicycle Swag Bag Contest is back to celebrate Car Free Day.

Car Free Day is a worldwide event that encourages greener methods of travel including biking, instead of driving alone by car.

When more people travel on bicycles, buses, trains, and by carpools and vanpools, fewer pollutants are released into the atmosphere. Using more sustainable ways to get around, helps reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions and traffic congestion.

How to Participate

To celebrate “Car Free Day” and to encourage the use of alternate modes of transportation, MCDOT will hold a Bicycle Swag Bag Contest from Sunday, August 22 through Sunday, September 26. Bike Riders need to submit a favorite picture of themselves enjoying a ride along any bike path / trail in Montgomery County to be entered into a weekly drawing. (Note: the weekly contest runs from Sunday to Sunday each week)

Submit a selfie or a picture of you and your bike at any bike path/trail entrance sign or at your favorite place anywhere along the bike path or trail. Post your picture and tag us at @mocommuter (on Twitter or Instagram) along with the hashtag #MoCoBikes to be entered into that week's drawing for a Bicycle Swag Bag prize. Or email your photo to: commuter.services@montgomerycountymd.gov

Prize drawings will be held on Monday morning of the following week and winners will be notified via direct message on their Twitter/Instagram account. A consent form will be sent, and your prize will be mailed to the address you provide. Participants grant MCDOT Commuter Services permission to publish photos on our social media accounts.

Participants must be at least 18 years old and a Montgomery County, Maryland resident or an employee of a company located in Montgomery County, Maryland. Only one photo entry is allowed weekly per person.

Where and when appropriate, please remember to practice safe social distancing and wear your favorite face covering.

Please wear a helmet while riding.

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