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# NEWS RELEASE

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## **Free Rides on The Jule Next Week for Bicyclists**

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Dubuquers participating in next week’s Bike to Work Week now have the option of incorporating public transit into their commute free of charge. The Jule, the City of Dubuque’s public transit division, invites Bike to Work Week participants to ride a bus and utilize its “Rack & Ride” program for free, May 16-20.

In partnership with Tri-State Trail Vision, the City of Dubuque installed bicycle racks on the fronts of all its fixed-route buses last year. The “Rack & Ride” Program allows The Jule passengers to use the bicycle racks free of charge with the purchase of a regular bus fare ticket. The program allows residents to bike to a bus stop, utilize public transit for part of their trip, and finish the remainder on their bicycle. Cyclists retain all liability for the bicycle when it is placed onto the bus. The cyclist is also responsible for loading, securing, and unloading his/her bike from the rack. All bicycles should be “rack ready” before the bus arrives. This includes removing water bottles, pumps or any loose items that may fall off. Each rack/bus can carry two bikes. Tandem bikes, bikes with gas or electric motors, solid wheels, large racks, child seats or other attachments are not allowed.

Using the bike racks is simple and brochures outlining the process are available for download at [www.cityofdubuque.org/thejule](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/thejule) and can be picked up at City Hall at 50 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Keyline Transit at 2401 Central Ave., and the Carnegie-Stout Public Library at 360 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street. An instructional video can also be viewed at [www.cityofdubuque.org/thejule](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/thejule). For more information on the The Jule’s Rack and Ride Program, call 563-589-4196. Bike to Work Week is sponsored by the Telegraph Herald and Tri-State Trail Vision. For more information, visit [www.thonline.com/biketowork](http://www.thonline.com/biketowork).

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By combining bicycling and public transit can be part of a healthier lifestyle, decrease traffic congestion, lessen parking constraints, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This project also helps meet Dubuque’s sustainability principle of Reasonable Mobility. For more information, visit [www.sustainabledubuque.org](http://www.sustainabledubuque.org).

