

COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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Kenosha County's Bike-to-Work Weeks are June 2-16

Are you ready to ride? Kenosha County's official Bike-to-Work Weeks are right around the corner, June 2-16.

During those weeks, residents who ride a bike to work are encouraged to enter to win prizes through the Bike to Work Weeks Contest at <u>http://www.kenoshacounty.org/bikecontest</u>. Residents may submit one entry for each day that they bike to work.

Kenosha County Executive Jim Kreuser said the purpose of Bike-to-Work Weeks is to promote healthy transportation alternatives, to raise awareness about bicycle safety and to encourage people to explore Kenosha County on two wheels.

"Having beautiful, safe places to ride bicycles is one of the many things that contribute to our quality of life in Kenosha County," Kreuser said. "Especially this time of the year, when things seem to be getting warmer and greener every day, it's a great time to get out of your car and get some exercise and fresh air."

Bike-to-Work Weeks are supported by Kreuser, Kenosha Mayor John Antaramian, the Kenosha County Board, the Kenosha City Council, the Kenosha Bicycle Ambassadors and the Kenosha County Multi-Use Trail Committee.

Prizes for the Bike-to-Work Weeks Contest are donated from various local businesses and individuals. More details will be announced soon.

Meantime, Kreuser encouraged those who will bike to work, and those who may continue to drive, to take steps to promote safety on the road.

A few safety tips for bicycle riders:

- Wear a helmet.
- Ride with traffic, not against it.
- Use hand signals and follow all traffic laws and signals.

And some tips for bicycle-friendly motorists:

- Allow at least three feet of space when passing bicyclists.
- Don't park or drive in bike lanes.
- Check for bicyclists before opening your door.

"Some common sense and courtesy can go a long way in keeping everyone safer and happier," Kreuser said. "I look forward to another great pair of Bike-to-Work Weeks!"

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