

The Road to Clean Commuting

Employee Engagement through Gamification

About Alameda County

- The County's employee commutes account for **40%** of the County's GHG emissions \bullet
- The 9,000 employees each have unique barriers to clean commuting, and communicating information in such a decentralized workplace is difficult



Community Commutes Day

- This County-wide campaign utilized an **online game-based competition** to induce behavior change by encouraging employees to pledge to try a clean commute
- Network of **80** Clean Commute Champions established teams based in their offices
- For **points and prizes**, teams completed tasks including: learning about clean commute options, sharing photos and stories, and holding day-of celebration events
- Marketing strategies included commitment pledges, employee testimonials, interactive visual displays, and emphasis on the community & team aspect of the campaign

Alameda County

Clean Commute Program

STRATEGIC ENERGY

| | | Best | Teams | | | |
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| ilable to Ivy Wang | | | Meet the hottest teams in Alamedal | | | |
| Commute | | #1 | Clean Action Officers- 12th St/Oak Precinct | 5,665 | Size: 57 | |
| I in Guaranteed Ride Home I in the County's free <u>Guaranteed</u> <u>Home</u> benefit - it's like free ance for your commute! It provides reimbursable taxi rides or car rentals t you home ASAP if an unexpected methage such as illugate family crisic | + 5 points | #2 | ACERA Commuter Dream Team | 2,920 | Size: 43 | |
| | | #3 | Soaring Eastmont Eagles on 3rd Floor | 2,625 | Size: 32 | |
| nstance, such as illness, family crisis, scheduled overtime, occurs. This free it is offered to all employees that Clean Commute (Carpool, Transit, | | #4 | Lakeside Drive Legends | 2,505 | Size: 92 | |
| walk etc.) Register through the link e and then click done! Already led? Go ahead and click "Done" to rourself points for already | | #5 | We have the Edge | 1,580 | Size: 22 | |
| tering. | | #6 | Action Jackson St | 1,045 | Size: 20 | |
| a School Pool | + 5 | | | | | |
| ng your commute with your kids is ! Did you know you can enroll your in a "school pool" to help simplify | points | #7 | San Pablo Energizers | 865 | Size: 32 | |
| morning commute? Check out the is at <u>511's School Pool Page</u> to learn /ou can have a peaceful and worry- | | #8 | Assess The Commute | 775 | Size: 29 | |
| lean commute and enjoy more le options. | | #9 | Brilliant 401 Broadway | 590 | Size: 27 | |
| Up for Free A Ridematch | + 5 | | Carbonande Classe | | No. Contraction | |
| up for <u>Zimride</u> , the County's private | points | * #10 | Embarcadero Clean Revolution | 525 | Size: 31 | |

Achievements

- **750** employees participated in the contest across **35** building-based teams
- All **20** County agencies represented in campaign
- who provide resources to colleagues
- Received many enthusiastic stories and photos from first-time clean commuters

Lessons Learned

Successful Strategies:

Community Based Social Marketing (CBSM)

- messages within their office communities

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Recruited and trained **20** new Clean Commute Champions



1. Gamification: Employees competed for prize incentives and were kept motivated by the online leaderboard tracking to show both individual and team progress

Social Norming: technique that applies individuals' drive to be a part of a group Social Diffusion: outreach strategy that relies on individuals to communicate campaign

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