WHO WE ARE

Commuting Solutions is dedicated to delivering innovative transportation options that connect commuters to their workplaces, businesses to their employees, and residents to their communities. Through advocacy for infrastructure and transportation improvements, partnerships and education, we create progressive, flexible transportation solutions.

REGIONAL COMMUTING TRENDS

Over 70 percent residents in the northwest metro region complete their commutes by driving solo, while only a mere 4.9 percent commute by transit. With an average commute of 22.2 miles roundtrip, that means the average northwest metro region resident emits over 2,381,416 g/CO₂ in just one year, equal to over two round-trip flights from Denver to London!

WHAT WE DO

Commuting Solutions is focused on increasing the share of car/vanpoolers, cyclists and transit riders by educating commuters, engaging local employers and advocating for transportation investments. Throughout the year, our engagement efforts reduce CO₂ emissions, help businesses attract and retain employees, and help our keep our region on the cutting edge of transportation innovation.

Our regional impact is strengthened by our partnership with the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) and six other Transportation Management Organizations. The partnership of our eight organizations helps the entire Denver metro region meet goals for air quality, reducing single occupancy vehicle trips and the total number of miles traveled.
# 2017 TOP 10 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. **US 36 EXPRESS LANES PROJECT COMPLETED**
   After one year of the US 36 Express Lanes Project being completed, Commuting Solutions is pleased to report the lane speeds across all lanes have increased on average by 29 percent, RTD’s Flatiron Flyer regional bus service ridership has increased by 29 percent since last year and over 151,316 cyclists have traveled along the US 36 Bikeway.

2. **GEOGRAPHIC EXPANSION**
   At the beginning of 2017, the Commuting Solutions Board of Directors unanimously voted to increase Commuting Solutions geographic area to include the communities of: Erie, Lafayette and Longmont. This geographic expansion has allow Commuting Solutions to increase its impact across the northwest metro region.

3. **18TH ANNUAL ADVOCACY TRIP**
   Commuting Solutions joined the US 36 Mayors & Commissioners Coalition on their annual advocacy trip to Washington, DC for the 18th year running. Each trip is an opportunity to meet with federal lawmakers and discuss federal transportation funding opportunities.

4. **NORTHWEST AREA MOBILITY STUDY**
   Through consistent advocacy by Commuting Solutions and the US 36 Mayors & Commissioners Coalition, progress continued for studies along State Highway 119 and State Highway 7 to create multimodal corridors.

5. **2017 POLICY AGENDA**
   We worked closely with the US 36 Mayors & Commissioners Coalition to develop a 2017 Legislative Policy Agenda. The policy agenda outlines transportation priorities in the northwest metro region for the 2017 Legislative Session.

6. **FIRST-AND-FINAL MILE CONNECTIONS**
   A key focus for our organization is implementing recommendations from the US 36 First and Final Mile Study. In 2017, we helped find funding for five Bike-n-Ride shelters, completed regional wayfinding design plans and helped to establish five Zagster bikeshare stations in the region.

7. **US 36 CONGESTION MITIGATION PROGRAM COMPLETION**
   In 2017, Commuting Solutions concluded the US 36 Mitigation Program with astonishing results! The congestion mitigation program reduced over 12,500 vehicle miles traveled per a weekday and included 984 participants. The program resulted in a reduction of over 3 million vehicle miles traveled over the course of two years.

8. **THREE NEW PROGRAMS LAUNCHED**
   Commuting Solutions was contracted to launch four new programs in 2017, including: increasing awareness of the Flex and L bus service, raising awareness of real-time transit apps and worked towards developing and implementing the first casual carpool in Colorado.

9. **PROUD PARTNER OF WAY TO GO**
   In partnership with DRCOG, Commuting Solutions offers Way to Go services to employees and commuters throughout the northwest metro region to help them discover their smart commutes. In 2017, we hosted over 53 events including quarterly Membership Meetings, the 8th Legislative Breakfast, Sustainable Transportation Summit and Bike to Work Day.

10. **SUBMITTED TIGER GRANT**
    In partnership with communities throughout the northwest metro region, we submitted proposal to receive a federal TIGER grant. The grant funds would be used to install safety enhancements at railroad crossings.