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MISSOULA IN MOTION SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL AWARDS, TRANSPORTATION BEST PRACTICES AND COMMUTER OF THE YEAR

Missoula In Motion (MIM) is accepting nominations for its annual awards for Transportation Best Practices and Commuter of the Year. The awards, consisting of cash prizes and substantial community recognition, is MIM's way of formally rewarding and recognizing local organizations and individuals that have chosen to "See Commuting Differently."

The Transportation Best Practices and Commuter of the Year awards aim at telling the stories and showcasing Missoula businesses, organizations and individuals that have turned the daily grind of getting around town into something positive for their customers, employees and the community. These nominees have implemented innovative, sustainable programs and policies that save money, reduce emissions, ease traffic congestion, alleviate parking pressure and improve the health of employee and customers -- and are easily replicated in other Missoula workplaces.

From commute committees to transit pass programs, from dedicated bike parking to bike couriers, from education and outreach to advocacy and infrastructure improvements, and from preferred carpool parking to flexible schedules, all nominations are welcome. Businesses can nominate themselves, a customer could nominate a business, or an employee could nominate a particular department or individual. Whoever you are, whatever your role, MIM wants to hear from you about businesses and Missoulians that are making a difference with their transportation practices.

The winners will receive cash awards starting at the bronze level to bolster their sustainable transportation program, and the gold and platinum will be prominently featured in local advertising. Nomination forms are due on Friday, May 17, by 4 p.m. To receive a nomination form, call 552-6675, e-mail Sherry Lewis at slewis@ci.missoula.mt.us, or stop by the Missoula In Motion office at 435 Ryman St. The awards will be presented at a ceremony on Thursday, June 13, at Caras Park.

About Missoula In Motion

Missoula In Motion (MIM), a program of the City of Missoula's Development Services, was founded in 1997. MIM strives to educate Missoulians on their transportation options for both school and work commutes. Through education and encouragement, MIM promotes the many sustainable transportation options offered in the Missoula community in an effort to reduce congestion, pollution and stress, while benefiting both individual and community health.

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