

# Benefits of Bike & Ride



Help the environment by reducing air pollution, noise and greenhouse gas emissions.

Bike & Ride is an easy way to increase your activity level.

Neighborhoods are quieter and safer with less cars on the road.

If there's a chance for rain, you can still bike to your destination, and have the option of riding the bus back home if it's raining.

It provides the opportunity to appreciate the scenery along your route.

Improve your health and well-being through routine physical activity and by reducing air pollution.

Save money on parking, gas, and vehicle maintenance by riding your bike in combination with public transit.

This is a natural fit with Muscatine's Blue Zone initiative!



## Bike & Ride Instructions

### HOW TO USE THE BIKE RACK ON MUSCABUS

How to load your bicycle:

1. Prepare to load by removing all loose items from your bike that would fall off while the bus is in motion.
2. When the bus comes to a stop, step in front of the bus with your bike. Make sure the driver sees you.
3. To lower the bike rack, squeeze the handle with one hand and fold down the rack. If the rack is empty, place your bike on the inside position, closest to the bus. Raise the support bar over your front tire until it hugs the tire. That's it. Hop aboard.

How to unload your bicycle:

1. As the bus approaches your stop, notify the driver that you will be unloading a bike. Lower the support arm to release it from your front tire.
2. Lift your bike from the rack.
3. If there are no other bikes on the rack and no one else is waiting to load, close the bike rack before departing. Simply lift the rack until it locks into place in the upright position.

This "Bike and Ride" offering will allow passengers to use the bicycle rack free of charge with the purchase of a regular bus fare ticket or monthly flash pass. Bus #242 with the bicycle rack will operate on the Blue Route. Passengers will want to confirm with a phone call to MuscaBus at 263-8152 before hopping on their bikes that the bus is on route. Unfortunately, there may be days that the bus is not on route due to mechanical issues. This bike rack was fully sponsored by the Melon City Bike Club. MuscaBus appreciates their partnership.