



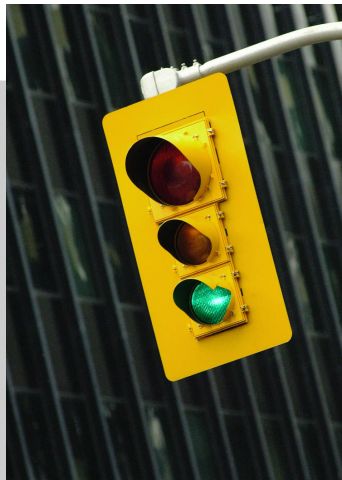
# "A Customer First Company"

## June 2013

### Welcome to the June 2013 Edition of "On the Move"

#### What are some of Washington's Worst Intersections?

Drivers know that there is an increased risk when you approach any intersection. If you are driving in DC this risk can be even more challenging due to traffic and the sometimes challenging logistics of navigating through the area. Recently, the Washington Examiner investigated local police departments' lists of intersections having the most crashes in their jurisdictions. Some argue against comparing jurisdictions, because of the varying ways each one collects and records crash data differently. However, the data still serve as a reminder of the importance of being alert as you come close to intersections.



Here is list of some of DC's worst intersections from April 2012-April 2013:

- New York Ave. and Florida Ave. Northeast
- Pennsylvania Ave. and Anacostia Freeway Southeast
- 3rd Street Tunnel
- Dupont Circle
- North Capitol St. and New York Ave Northeast
- Interstate 295 and Suitland Parkway exit
- K St. and 14th St. Northwest

- M St. and Wisconsin Ave. Northwest
- New Jersey Ave. and New York Ave. Northwest
- U St. and 14th St. Northwest
- Florida Ave. and Georgia Ave. Northwest
- Bladensburg Ave. and New York Ave. Northeast
- North Capitol St. and Jefferson St. Northeast

Experts say that many incidents result from driver errors, such as failure to pay attention, driving too fast, or driving under the influence. However, many of the intersections are simply poorly designed. Area officials frequently review accident reports to identify road flaws that can contribute to crashes. If they find a compromising intersection they look for ways to make it safer. Even with these practices there are simply some areas where not much can be done. Some intersections were built many years ago when design standards and cars were very different. Today, development around those roads makes expanding or reworking some intersections difficult. The best thing you can do is be aware of these challenging intersections and make sure you are driving defensively.

Information taken from:

<http://washingtonexaminer.com/washington-area-intersections-rack-up-collisions/article/2530927>

#### Preparing for your Commute in Inclement Weather

Many of you were impacted by the storm that blew through our area on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Thousands were without power, trees were down, and homes were damaged. It is important to remember that The Emergency Ride Home (ERH) program is not available during inclement weather - including building closures and/or early dismissal from work. So how can you prepare for your commute home if you find yourself in the middle of a storm?

1. Monitor Weather Reports – stay current on changing weather conditions so you can make the best decision about road conditions.
2. Have a back-up plan – Make sure you are aware of alternate routes, bus



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- schedules, and additional ways you can get home.
3. Carry cash – During power outages you may not have access to ATM machines so make sure you carry a little extra cash for emergencies.
  4. Learn how to safely navigate wet road conditions. Websites like AAA offer articles on how to drive in hazardous conditions.
  5. Stay put – Sometimes the best thing you can do in a storm is stay where you are.

There are many websites available with practical advice on how to prepare for storms. Below is a list of a few:

1. <http://www.weather.com/activities/driving/drivingsafetytips/thunder.html>
2. <http://usatoday30.usatoday.com/weather/resources/safety/wtstorm.htm>
3. <http://www.ready.gov/thunderstorms-lightning>

### How Are You Going To Celebrate This 4<sup>th</sup> of July?

There are so many things to do in the Richmond Metro area as we gear up to celebrate the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. Here is a short list of just a few activities:



1. **SATURDAY, JUNE 29 - Freedom Fest**  
Meet Justin Martin and John Godwin from "Duck Dynasty." Freedom Fest in Powhatan is celebrating the Fourth of July this weekend with a giant family festival topped off with a night of

fireworks. Featuring live music from Samestate and Shawn McDonald, inflatables, a petting zoo, food and craft vendors and more. \$10; kids 4 & under are free. 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

### 2. WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 - Genworth Financial 30th Annual Celebrate Freedom Independence Day Concert

Head to Genworth Financial on Broad Street for their 30th annual Celebrate Freedom concert followed by fireworks. Celebrate Freedom will feature children's activities and a concert by the United States Air Force Heritage of America Band. This free event starts at 6:30 pm, with the concert beginning at 7:30 pm. Fireworks start at approximately 8:45 pm. Parking is free. Food vendors on site.

### 3. THURSDAY, JULY 4 - Chesterfield's Fourth of July Celebration

The event, held at the Chesterfield County Fairgrounds, includes an activity area for children and special entertainment. Blankets or lawn chairs are recommended. Limited parking; roads leading to fairgrounds will be closed at 9 p.m. or when parking lots are full. Gates open at 5 p.m. Fireworks start at dark. Free.

### K&K Connection June Birthdays

We would like to wish everyone born in June a special HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

If we missed your birthday please let us know by emailing [owilliams@ridek2k.com](mailto:owilliams@ridek2k.com). Thank you!

### Welcome To K&K Connections

We would like to say a BIG welcome to all of our new riders for the month of June. We are so very happy you have decided to join us!

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