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TENTH ANNUAL NATIONAL DUMP THE PUMP DAY TO BE HELD ON JUNE 18 **Dump the Pump. Ride Public Transit.**

(Cottonwood, Arizona) With the continued fluctuation of gas prices, Cottonwood Area Transit announced today that it will join with other public transportation systems nationwide to participate in the tenth annual National Dump the Pump Day on Thursday, June 18. The slogan of this year's National Dump the Pump Day is "*Dump the Pump. Ride Public Transit.*"

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JUNE 18, 2015
RIDE PUBLIC TRANSIT



Sponsored by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), the 2015 National Dump the Pump Day is a day that encourages people to ride public transportation to take them where they need to go, instead of driving a car. Started in June 2006 when gas prices were \$3 per gallon, this national day emphasizes that public transportation is a convenient travel option that also helps people save money. According to the April APTA [Transit Savings Report](#), individuals in a two-person household can save an average of more than \$9,394 annually by downsizing to one car.

Additionally, public transportation is a cornerstone of local economies in urban, suburban, and rural communities. In fact, a public transportation helps to make a community economically prosperous and competitive. Every \$1 invested in public transportation generates approximately \$4 in economic returns, powering community growth and revitalization.

WHAT: 10th Annual National Dump the Pump Day

WHERE: Cottonwood Area Transit and transit agencies nationwide

WHEN: Thursday, June 18, 2015

WHO: Everyone!

HOW: **Free rides** on all CAT and LYNX Routes, including ADA