

Adam Edwards
Microsoft
Bus Rider



Adam Edwards has been busing to work for the past 10 and a half years. His roundtrip work commute is currently 30 miles, and he also uses transit for the rest of his transportation needs—but wait, there's more: Adam and wife Carla have a new-born baby daughter, Rosa. The Edwards family is enjoying a car-free lifestyle with a new-born baby. That's committed!

Adam initially started busing because he didn't want to have to own a car, and he wanted to see if he could live car-free. While most people consider owning a car necessary for their personal freedom, Adam sees being without a car as significant form of freedom. Free from looking for parking, free from the overhead of owning a car, free from tracking down the car in parking lots every day.

Adam sees the biggest benefit as the financial savings. Add up your car payment, car insurance, gas, maintenance, and taxes, and that's a big chunk of change. He's used the money he's saved to make additional investments, and he feels more able to donate to charitable causes.

He also does a lot of reading, phone calls, and internet surfing on the bus, so he's making good use of his time during his commute. He also says it's a great place to relax, people watch, and watch the lake go by.

At first it took him some time to learn how to get around, but now he finds it quite easy to use transit for all his needs. He uses mybus.org to help track where buses are at, and he uses a GPS to see what streets are approaching, so he can easily navigate new routes that he's taking.

Adam has been showing us that living without a car is possible for over 10 years—even now with a newborn baby in the family-- and that is why Adam is a 2008 Commute Champion!