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### **SYVT Supports Bike to Work Week**

Solvang, Ca. – National Bike to Work Week is May 16 – 20, and Santa Ynez Valley Transit (SYVT) is encouraging Santa Ynez Valley resident participation in the national campaign through promotion of its “Bikes on Buses” travel option. This year, SYVT has partnered with Dr. J’s Bicycle Shop in Solvang to distribute bicycle repair kits and water bottles to Valley cyclists. The repair kits and water bottles are available while supplies last at no-cost. Visitors to Dr. J’s will also have the opportunity to pick up SYVT’s Bikes on Buses brochure, which offers information about the increasingly popular bike-bus travel option.

“SYVT is committed to preserving air quality through the promotion of alternative transportation options such as transit and bicycling,” commented Solvang City Manager Brad Vidro. “The Santa Ynez Valley is a great place to cycle, and we hope more residents will consider making cycling a part of their travels.”

Sponsored by the League of American Cyclists, National Bike Month was started in 1956 as American Bike Month to promote the sales and use of bicycles. Today, Bike Month and Bike to Work Week promote safe bicycling among new and experienced cyclists and encourage the use of bicycles for daily travel, even on a trial basis.

SYVT operates from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, linking Santa Ynez, Solvang, Buellton, and Los Olivos. The one-way adult fare is \$1.50. Discounted rates are available to seniors and persons with disabilities. For SYVT service information or to download SYVT’s Bike on Buses brochure, visit [www.syvt.com](http://www.syvt.com) or call (805) 688-5452. Dr. J’s Bicycle Shop is located at 1693 Mission Drive (Highway 246) in downtown Solvang.