# BUILDING A SUCCESSFUL Shared Mobility Program

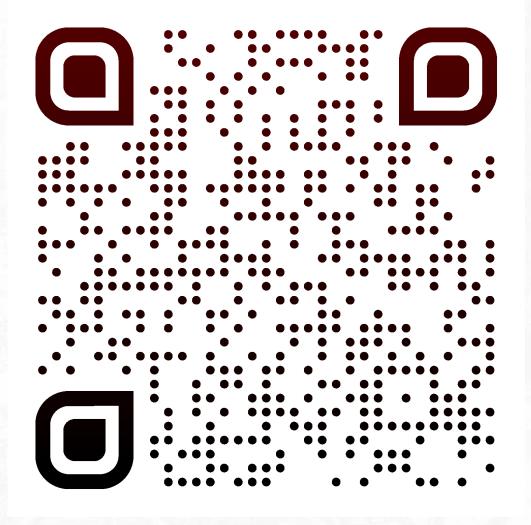


Insights from Sustainable Transportation, Marketing & Communications Texas A&M University Transportation Services



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## Why Shared Mobility?

- Abandoned bikes
- Pressure reliever for transit during peak times
- Shared devices can be used by multiple users several times a day



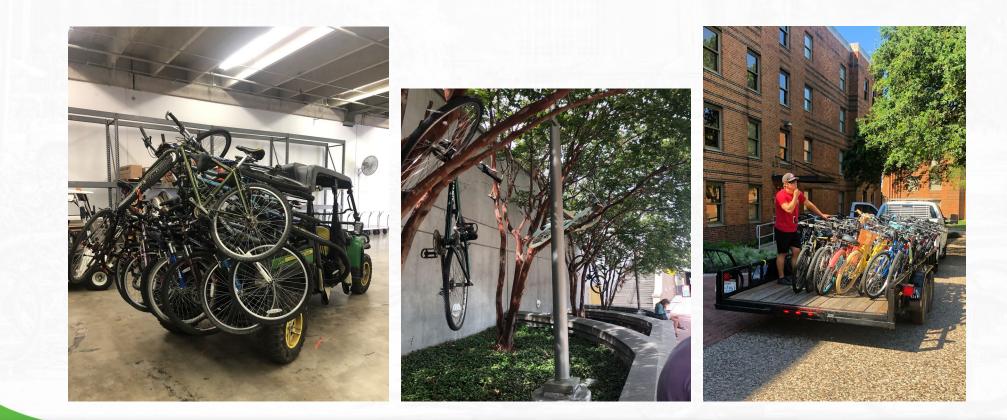






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We wanted to go from this to something better...

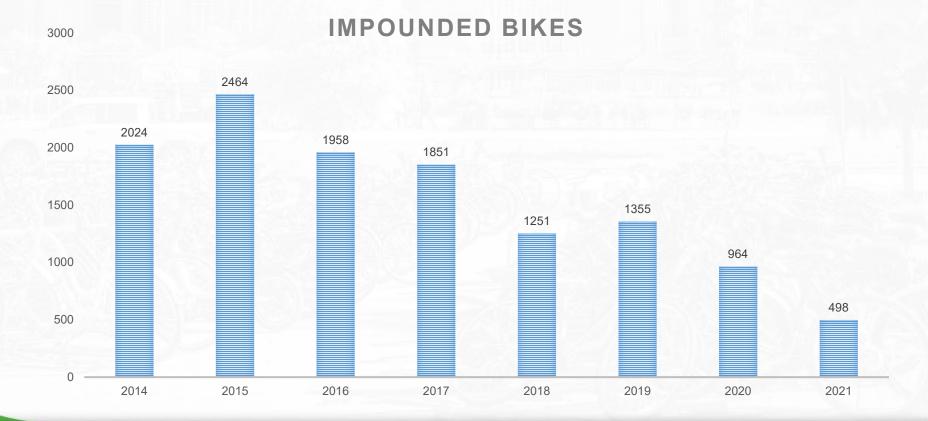




## Why Shared Mobility?

Racks were overcrowded with abandoned bikes

Leaving less room and creating an eyesore





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#### Maroon Bikes (2013 - 2015)

- 100 Bikes
- A to A Parking
- Monthly Memberships

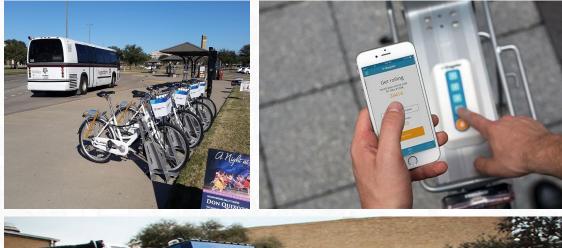






## Zagster (2017 - 2018)

- 75 Bikes
- Docking stations with app
- Monthly, annual, per-ride

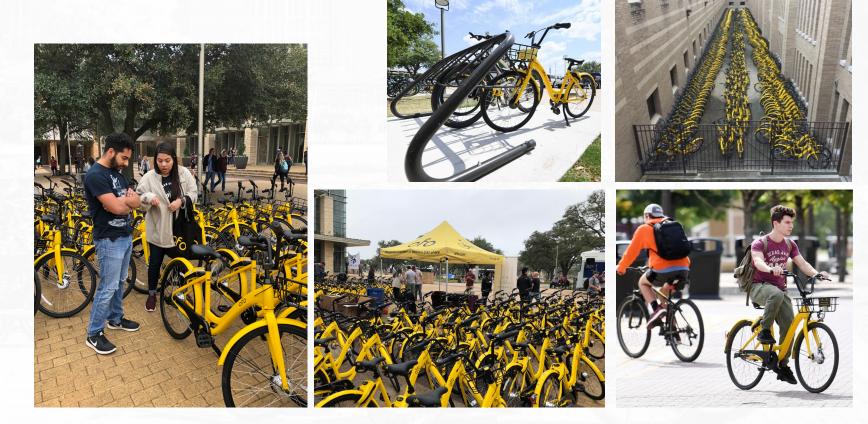






## ofo (2018 - 2019)

- 3,500 Bikes
- Dockles with app
- Memberships or per-ride





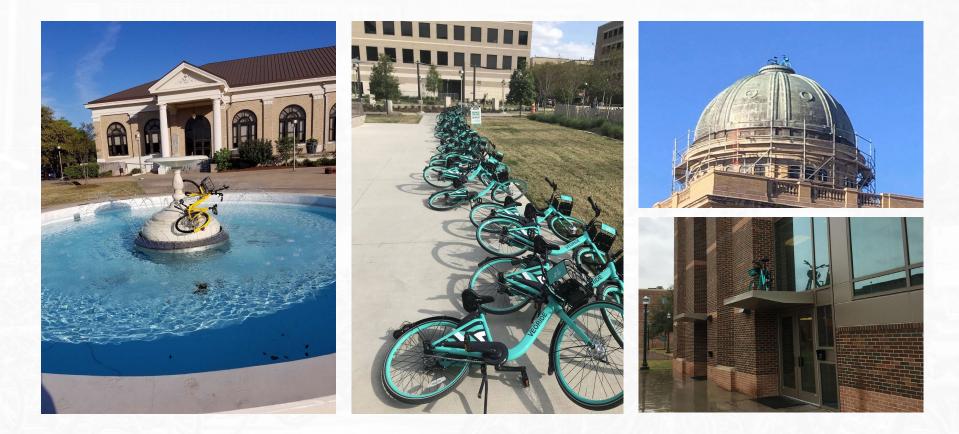
### Veo (2019 - present)

- Now with 1,000 pedal bikes and 1,000 throttle e-bikes
- Originally 2,500 dockless then moved to lock-to
- Memberships and per-ride





## **Lessons Learned!**



Dockless wasn't going to work...



## **Lessons Learned!**

#### Ride Sharing Bicycle Placed On Top Of Texas A&M's Academic Building Dome





An Instagram photo has gone viral, showing what appears to be someone with the VeoRide bicycle that wound up on top of the dome of Texas A&M's Academic Building. The image of the person's face covered by a happy face emoji, and their left hand with an Aggie ring giving the "horns down" sign.

That followed a tweet from Texas A&M that also went viral, showing the bicycle on top of the dome.



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#### TEXAS A&M MAKES CHANGES TO VEORIDE BIKE-SHARE PROGRAM

Users must stay on campus, lock bicycles to racks when finished

#### The Eagle

By Megan Rodriguez

Published January 8, 2020

VeoRide users are now required to remain on Texas A&M's campus while using the bicycles and must lock the vehicles to a bike rack or face fines up to \$75.

Local VeoRide employees are retrofitting bicycles with coiled-cable locks, and Texas A&M's Transportation Services workers are bringing in 50 new bike racks this week as the rules go into effect. While 1,200 VeoRides will be available by the start of A&M's spring semester on Monday, employees will continue adding locks to bikes until the entire 2,000-vehicle fleet is back in use. The revised geofence encompasses the A&M campus only, including Park West and University Gardens.

A&M Bike Share Program Coordinator Byron Prestridge said the cost of the bike racks will not be passed onto students, and VeoRide Regional Manager Joe Brummer said the new locks will not result in higher fees for users. Additionally, Prestridge said even before the plan for the new bike locks, A&M was looking to implement bike racks on certain areas of campus.

Prestridge said the system is an effort to "provide an easy, simple and effective way for people to make sure that when they put their bike in a rack, it's not going to get moved."

"We're starting a new year and we have new rules," Prestridge said. "We are looking forward to progressing, and we



VeoRide bicycles on Texas A&M's campus are being outfitted with a mechanism that allows the bikes to be locked on bike racks. While users can park their VeoRides in "coat hanger", racks that are already around campus, the 50 new racks being installed will look different and were designed with the new system in

– Photo by Laura McKenzie

mind.

## More effective communication was going to be necessary.





## **Lessons Learned!**

## A New Path...

Listen and talk with all Stakeholders

- University Leadership: Department, Faculty, Staff, Students
- Municipality: City of College Station
- Users: Students, Faculty, Staff, Special Event Visitors

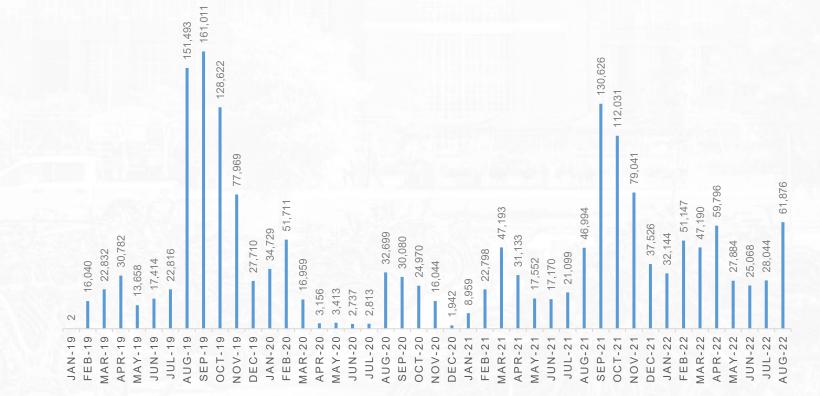
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...all have unique requirements to be effective



## Value is in the Numbers

**RIDES PER MONTH** 

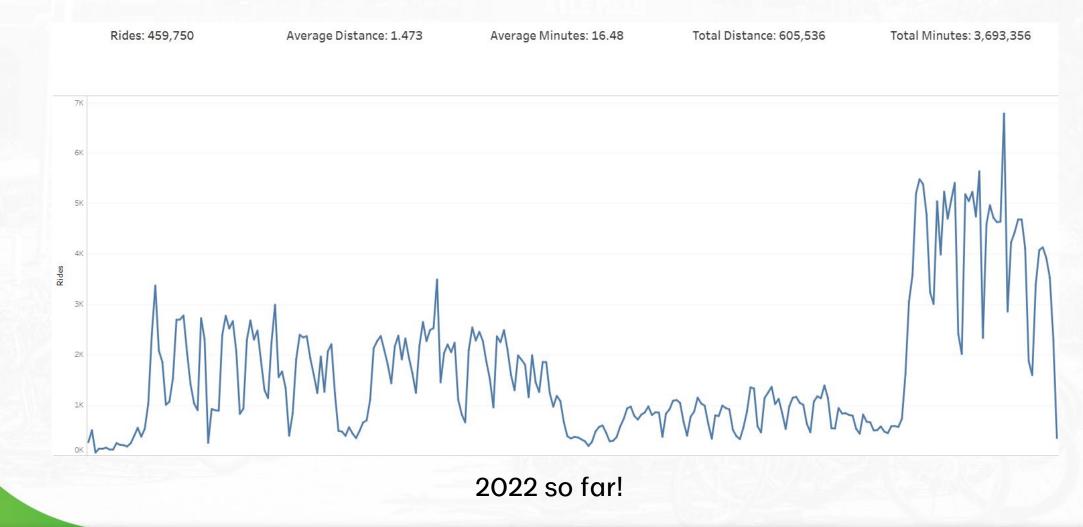


1,796,873 rides total





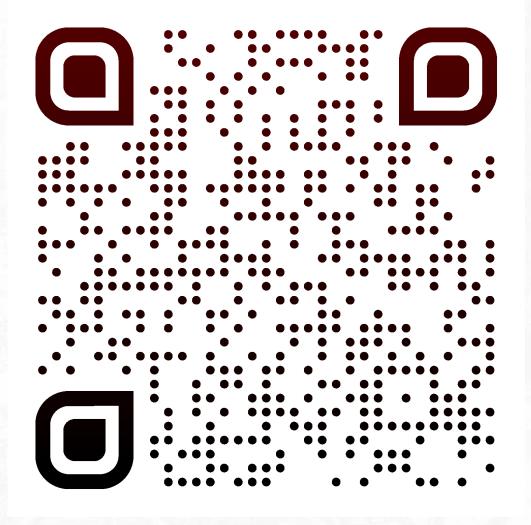
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## **Challenges Prior to Launch**









## **Think Multimodal**

#### **MOBILITY OPTIONS**

From car share, rideshare and bike share to shuttles and buses, we have a service to take you where you need to be, whether that's on campus, around town, or out of town. Select where you're headed below and find the mobility options to meet your needs!

I need to travel...



to and around campus



around town



out of town





## SHARED MOBILITY

Sidestep the hassle of bicycle and vehicle ownership – and take advantage of our shared mobility options!

#### **BIKE SHARE**



Bike share offers all of the benefits of biking without the hassle of maintenance and storage. With bike share you can leave your bike at home and enjoy the ride!

#### RIDESHARE



Transportation Services presents our Rideshare Solutions Portala quick, secure way to find all your commuting options. Set up a profile and search for shared mobility options or post a shared ride of your own!



#### CAR SHARE

Zipcar lets you drive a variety of cars on demand, by the hour or the day, around campuses, cities and airports worldwide.

## **Great Pairings**



Chardonnay + Brie

Full-bodied whites like Chardonnay compliment mild, smooth cheeses



Moscato + Pepper jack

Sweeter wines help mellow spicy, zesty cheeses



Cabernet Sauvignon + Aged Gouda

Hard aged cheeses pair best with equally bold, ageable wines

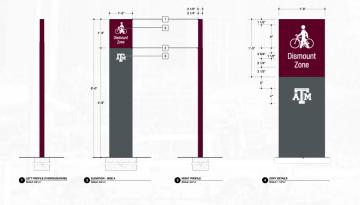


Transit + Bike share

Bike share helps ensure smooth, rich bus service



## Signage







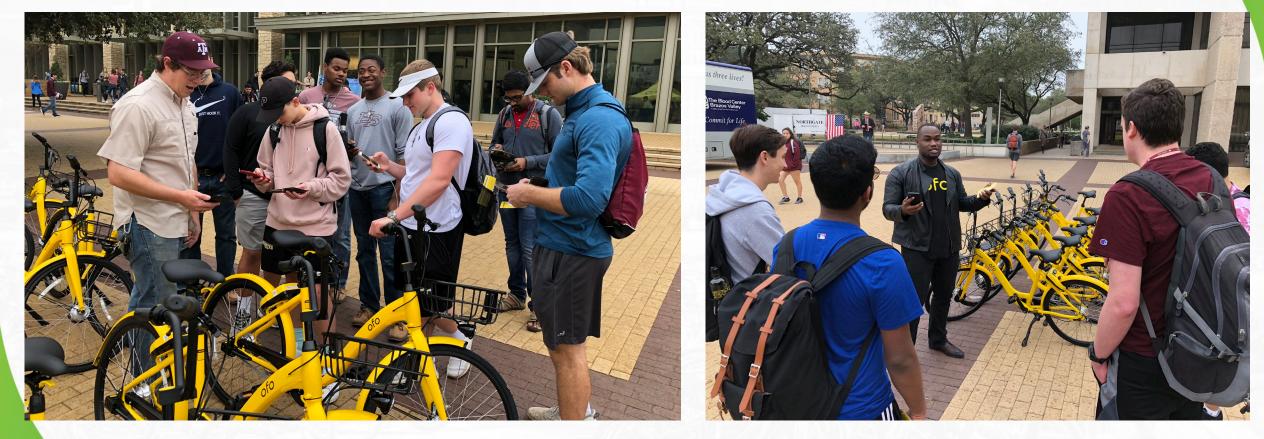








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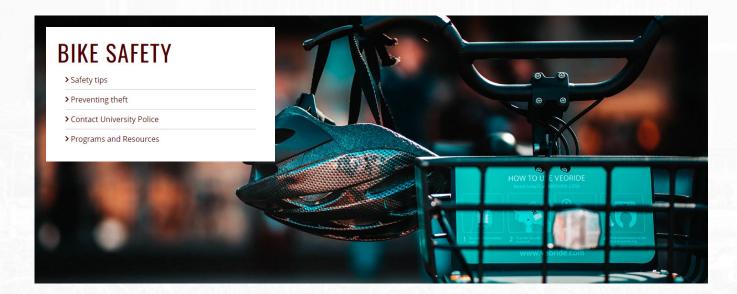


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## **New Riders Everywhere**





Keep bike in good repair, checking tires, spokes, brakes, pedals and chains.

Be sure bell or horn works properly.

Be sure light is visible for 500ft and reflector for 300ft when riding at night.

Obey all traffic signs and signals.

Always give hand signals before turning.

Yield to pedestrians at crossings or on sidewalks.

Never race or play games on public streets.

Wear a helmet for best protection.

More tips > Avoiding cars >

## **Connecting with New Riders**

### SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION

bike share, bike services, programs & oto registration transport.tamu.edu/bicycles

car share, rideshare, shuttles & other mobility programs transport.tamu.edu/alternative

out-of-town shuttles and airport shuttles transport.tamu.edu/alternative 



Are you ready to be a part of the 12th Man this year but don't know how to prepare?

Find Destination Aggieland in the Texas A&M app for maps, parking, traffic, shuttles & more!

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CONNECTING

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Getting you from

Point A to Point A+





#### Parking A /

Vehicles must be locked to bike racks or fines will result. Keep walkways clear.

#### Safety 🧡

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Please wear a helmet. We strongly recommend it, and your loved ones will appreciate it.

- Riding Rules 🔌 🔌
- Don't Drink and Ride 🚳



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## **Spreading Awareness of Resources**



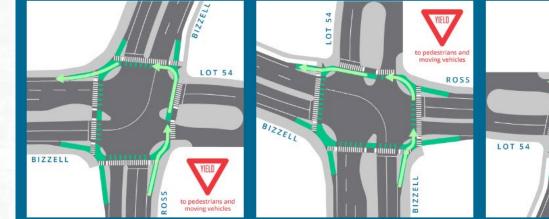


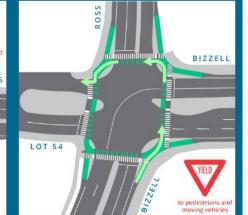
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#### USE GREEN LANES TO TURN LEFT

The green bike lanes provide a safer option to turn left than using the vehicle lanes to turn across the face of traffic. Yield to pedestrians and moving vehicles when riding through intersections.





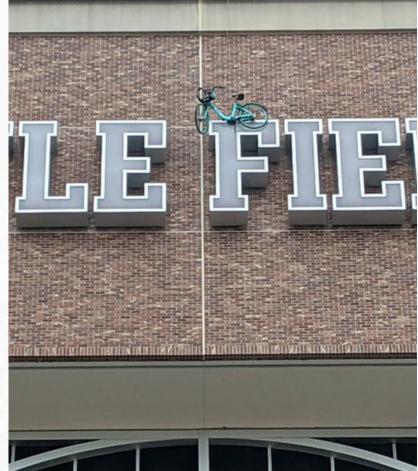






## **Prepare for Noncompliance**





## **Controlling the Narrative**

ofo at Texas A&M

#### **OFF TO A GREAT START!**

As a community, Texas A&M took more than 100,000 rides in support of sustainability using the ofo bike share program. While the ovewhelming response throughout the community has been positive, we still have work to do to ensure the program's success.

#### **NOBODY LIKES A 2%ER**

Current data shows that **fewer than 2%** of users are not using the system as intended. Improper usage and placement not only has a negative impact on our community, it can greatly impact a user's ofo score. If a score drops too low, a user's account will be closed.

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Veo Makes Adjustments

Veo introduces geo-fencing and locking mechanisms to increase safety and improve campus aesthetic

VeoRide has implemented new rules on campus THE BATTALION | JANUARY 12, 2020

Texas A&M makes changes to VeoRide bike-share program THE EAGLE | JANUARY 8, 2020

Transportation Services Announces Rule Changes For VeoRide Bikes TEXAS A&M TODAY | JANUARY 7, 2020

New rules now in effect for VeoRide bike share at Texas A&M KBTX | JANUARY 7, 2020



## **Controlling the Narrative**





## **Lean on Partnerships**





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## **Recurring Campaigns**





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## **Successes**







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aggiephotogs Walking, running, scootering, biking... whatever way gets you to the first day of class! ♣ ↓ え ∦ #GigEm

## **Social Media**



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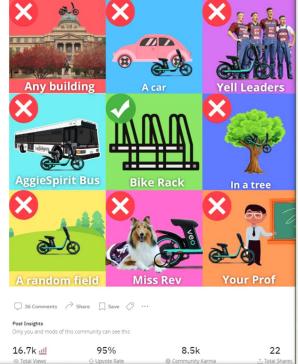
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