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Waiting for the bus on a cold winter morning can be anything but pleasant.
Pace ad shelter income can help you do the things that need doing. Or do the things you’d like to do.

Every town can use extra resources—especially these days. The revenue received through your participation in the Pace Ad Shelter Program can help you cover the cost of providing basic services, buying new equipment, covering off-budget contingencies, or just doing things your residents appreciate.

Use the money for important things like a new copier for the office, new vests for the police department, or an extra vehicle for public works. Or just spend it on something nice for the community like a new scoreboard for the little league ballpark, a senior aerobics class, a summer street festival or hot dogs and fireworks on the 4th of July. The choice is yours.

The choice is yours. It’s certainly rare to be presented with an opportunity to help improve the quality of life and the experience of living and working in your community, at absolutely no cost to the municipality.

The Pace Ad Shelter Program creates a continuing, trouble-free revenue stream you can put to good use in your town year after year. Call Doug Sullivan, Manager of Marketing and Communications, today at 847-228-4264 for complete information and details.

Number and location.
The number of Pace shelters that may eventually be installed in your town, and their placement, is jointly determined by you and Pace. While the main criterion for qualification is number of bus boardings per day, other factors are also a consideration. For instance, Pace is always looking to improve pedestrian access at bus stops without any existing pedestrian infrastructure. Likewise, locations along major corridors and regional retail centers, or local commercial hubs with high traffic volume, are a distinct priority. Decisions on how many shelters should be installed and where they should be placed are based on all these variables. Final acceptance or rejection of any proposed shelter site, however, rests entirely with you and the appropriate permitting authority.

Income potential.
Shared advertising income distributed to participating communities is currently rated at 50% of net area-wide revenue received by Pace. This amount is apportioned across the total number of shelters deployed during the reporting year. Direct proceeds paid to your municipality are the apportioned amount multiplied by the number of shelters in service in your community. Based on this formula the average per-unit payout over the last ten years has exceeded $1,000. So the more shelters in your community means not only happier Pace riders but more money for your town.

Upgrade, expand, or start fresh.
If you’re currently part of Pace’s ad shelter program, you may be interested in expanding the number of shelters present in your community. If yours is a town with Pace non-ad shelters or private ad shelters, or even no shelters at all, we encourage you to join the Pace ad shelter program.

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Sign up for your share now.
Make your Pace Ad Shelter selection from one of these fresh and exciting designs. All Pace shelters offered in this brochure are certified by the manufacturer to meet the minimum standards of the Uniform Building Code and the BOCA National Building Code related to wind load and snow load.

- **Style #1**
  - 5’ x 12’ footprint

- **Style #2**
  - 5’ x 12’ footprint

- **Optional Bus Tracker Sign**

- **Style #3**
  - 5’ x 12’ footprint

- **Style #4**
  - 5’ x 12’ footprint

- **Style #5**
  - 3’ x 12’ footprint

- **Style #6**
  - 3’ x 12’ footprint

Depending on passengers’ usage and availability of electricity at a particular location, Pace may include a real-time Bus Tracker sign in a shelter. This “countdown” sign can be a great way to ease rider uncertainty about when the next bus is coming.

Pace offers two narrower shelter models for any space in which our full-sized, 5-foot-deep shelter would not fit (or not meet ADA regulations). These units still offer protection from wind and rain and contain a standard-sized advertisement, so revenue is not impacted.
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