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Eco-Friendly Transportation Partnership A Success

Win a Weekend Getaway from Metro-North and Enterprise Rent-A-Car

The idea of taking a train to pick up a rental car in the suburbs is catching on. Metro-North Railroad and Enterprise Rent-A-Car have teamed up to make out-of-town getaways easier for people in New York City and elsewhere who don't have cars.

Since the partnership began in April, usage has grown to more than 100 rentals a month.

To celebrate and promote this successful public-private, eco-friendly venture, Elliot G. Sander, Executive Director and CEO of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Howard Permut, President of MTA Metro-North Railroad, and Robert Friedman, Regional Director for Enterprise-Rent-A-Car, today announced the Getaway Sweepstakes.

The public was invited to enter the sweepstakes for a chance to win a pair of roundtrip tickets on Metro-North and a free, three-day weekend car rental from Enterprise.

At a news conference on the Main Concourse in Grand Central Terminal people were invited to fill out an entry form at the desk next to the Enterprise hybrid car on display. Entries will be accepted from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and the drawing will be held immediately thereafter. The winner need not be present to win.

Metro-North and Enterprise Rent-A-Car launched its joint venture in April to help people without automobiles, especially those in New York City, to enjoy a day in the country.

"The MTA's successful partnership with Enterprise is just another example of how the MTA is pursuing innovative customer service initiatives," said Elliot G. Sander, MTA Executive Director and CEO. "With easy access to rental cars at stations, more and more Metro-North customers are taking the train to the hybrid to enjoy all that New York has to offer."

"We see it as a convenience and good value for people who don't own cars, a potential revenue generator for both Metro-North and Enterprise and a boost to regional tourism and the Hudson Valley economy," said Metro-North President Howard Permut.

"This makes perfect sense for NYC residents to save money, avoid congestion and do their part in preserving the environment," said Robert Friedman, Regional Sales Director for Enterprise Rent-A-Car.

Enterprise rentals are now offered at 23 Metro-North stations. Customers can make an advance reservation with Enterprise, let them know what train they'll be taking and Enterprise will be at the destination station either with a car or by an Enterprise representative who will take them to a rental automobile office. Enterprise offers daily rates, and even by the hour. Metro-North customers also receive a 5% discount off normal car rental costs.

All instructions are available at enterprise.com/mnr or on Metro-North's website, which will guide customers through the booking process. Click on the Enterprise logo on the home page and select a station. Next, type in the desired date and time that you want the car available and Enterprise will be there waiting. If you reserve by phone, don't forget to mention the Metro-North customer code that's shown! In either case enjoy an added 5% discount for MNR customers.

Returning the car is just as simple. Drive it to any participating station, place a specially provided tag on the windshield, place the keys in a station-based drop box, and you're done.

Enterprise offers 65 makes and models, including SUVs, minivans and even hybrids, which are compatible with Metro-North's priority of providing sustainable, environmentally friendly and responsible transportation.

Twenty-three stations were selected because of their convenient and adequate parking, as well as being close to an Enterprise support office. Participating stations are:

New Haven Line: Port Chester, Harrison, Mamaroneck, Pelham, Mount Vernon East

Harlem Line: Harlem Valley/Wingdale, Patterson, Southeast, Purdy's, Goldens Bridge, Woodlawn

Hudson Line: Poughkeepsie, New Hamburg, Beacon, Cortlandt, Ossining, Irvington, Riverdale

Pascack Valley Line: Spring Valley, Nanuet, Pearl River

Port Jervis Line: Middletown, Harriman