



Biography

Jean Taylor Stimolo

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Jean is both Program Manager for *Telecommute Connecticut* and Executive Director of RIDEWORKS, a non-profit commuter services company with offices in New Haven and Waterbury. Ms. Stimolo has managed *Telecommute Connecticut* and RIDEWORKS from their inception.

Founded in 1984, RIDEWORKS offers a full spectrum of commuter and employer transportation demand management services for a 39-town service area in south central Connecticut. A key mission for both RIDEWORKS and *Telecommute Connecticut* has been the focus on employer partnerships to promote commute alternatives including telecommuting, carpooling, vanpooling and regional bus and train service.

Prior to the start up of RIDEWORKS, Ms. Stimolo ran a smaller ridesharing program, MATRIDE, in conjunction with a seven-town area regional planning agency. She held two finance management positions in the private and public sectors and raised a family in the early years, after receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Connecticut.

Telecommute Connecticut! is a commuter service of the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The program provides free assistance to employers with the design, development and implementation of telecommuting programs in order to relieve traffic congestion.