

VANPOOL INCENTIVES

- New driver
- Start-up subsidy
- Back-up drivers

Easy. Simple.



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Had it with traffic? Ready to take charge?

Vanpooling is a terrific way to commute: reliable, relaxing and economical.

START A NEW VANPOOL AND START ENJOYING THE BENEFITS!

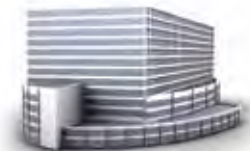
Like most of us, you have to go to work for a living—but you have options for how to get there. Why not jump into the driver's seat of a new vanpool? Solano Commuter Information (SNCI) can help you and reward you!

Vanpools save both time and money. Many vanpoolers cut their commute time in half. And most vanpool drivers commute for free—with an average commute of 60 miles roundtrip, that's \$3,000 a year or more!

If you're ready to take charge, SNCI can help you every step of the way:

- **Recruiting** passengers (6-14, depending on van size) and back-up drivers
- **Coordinating** the vanpool and pick-up points
- **Leasing** a van, if you need one, with a preferred vendor
- **Discounted** parking permits for downtown Oakland and San Francisco
- **Free bridge** toll passes for non-peak hours (vanpools cross free during peak hours)

Whether you are already in a vanpool, or thinking about joining one—why not take charge and jump in the driver's seat!



BECOME A NEW VANPOOL PRIMARY DRIVER AND START COLLECTING YOUR REWARDS

If you don't have a vanpool arranged, call us at **800-535-6883** for free assistance. A knowledgeable Commute Consultant will help you find passengers and direct you to cost-effective van lease and/or purchase options and insurance information. Then, all commute costs are shared among Vanpool riders.

Receive up to \$300 in free gas cards to use however you like!

Here's how to start receiving your rewards:

- 1 Complete the New Vanpool Driver application and release form online at **commuterinfo.net** or call **800-535-6883**. If you need passengers, we'll help find them through our confidential ridematching database.
- 2 Let us know when you are ready to hit the road. We'll meet you on your first day with a \$100 gas card, a gift for your whole vanpool, and two incentive vouchers.
- 3 After one month, submit one voucher to receive another \$100 gas card.
- 4 After the second month, submit your final voucher to receive one more \$100 gas card!
- 5 If you still need passengers, we'll supply a new list of potential passengers as often as you need.

SNCI can also help subsidize a new vanpool if all the seats aren't filled when you start. Incentives are also available for vanpool back-up drivers.



Start Collecting Your Rewards.

START-UP SUBSIDY

If you start a vanpool with at least 70% passenger occupancy, you may be eligible to receive a "start-up" incentive for up to 4 months, while you are recruiting new passengers.

- ① Complete the Application form and passenger list online at **commuterinfo.net**, or call **800-535-6883**. Document the start date of your vanpool and include total passenger capacity that your vanpool will hold.
- ② Note how many passengers you currently have and provide their names and daytime phone numbers on the passenger list. (If not provided, your application will not qualify for the incentive program.)
- ③ We will notify you if you qualify. For the first month's incentive, you will be sent a gas card subsidy worth \$100 per empty passenger seat, a match list to pursue securing passengers, and three incentive vouchers for future use.
- ④ Over the next three months, if your vanpool is still not full, complete one incentive voucher each month, and mail to SNCI.

Your information will be reviewed and if you still qualify, gas cards will be sent out as follows:

SECOND MONTH

→ \$75 gas card subsidy per empty seat

THIRD MONTH

→ \$50 gas card subsidy per empty seat

FOURTH MONTH

→ \$25 gas card subsidy per empty seat

Along with each gas card incentive award, you will also receive an updated match list to continue pursuing new passengers.

BECOME A NEW VANPOOL BACK-UP DRIVER AND START COLLECTING YOUR REWARDS

When you have found a vanpool and you are ready to be a back-up driver, follow these simple steps to collect your incentive:

- ① Complete the New Vanpool Back-Up Driver application online at **commuterinfo.net** and return it to SNCI, or call **800-538-6883**. We will check your driving record and you will be entered in our database.
- ② You will receive two "free gas" incentive vouchers.
- ③ After you have completed one month of back-up driving just five times during the month, you and your main driver complete and sign the first incentive voucher and send it to SNCI.
- ④ We will send you a card worth \$50 of free gas.
- ⑤ When your second month of back-up driving is complete, submit your second incentive voucher and receive your second \$50 gas card.

Back-up drivers make the minimal commitment of driving a few times a month and covering for your driver for vacations and illness.

AS A NEW BACK-UP DRIVER, YOU MAY RECEIVE \$100 IN FREE GAS CARDS. PLUS, BACK-UP DRIVERS OFTEN GET REDUCED FARES.

Solano Napa Commuter Information is a program of the Solano Transportation Authority in partnership with the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, and the Yolo Solano Air Quality District.

Vanpool Facts/ Benefits



A vanpool is a group of 7-15 commuters, including the driver.

Each passenger pays an average of \$130-\$180 per month to cover vanpool costs. The longer your commute, the lower your cost per mile.

You can enjoy reading, working or, yes, sleeping through your commute.

→ SAVE TIME

Many vanpoolers cut their commute time in half!

→ SAVE MONEY

An average commuter who travels 60 miles roundtrip alone and switches to vanpooling can save \$3,000 a year and more!

→ SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT

A 50 mile roundtrip commute in a 12-passenger van takes 11 cars off the road and eliminates the emission of over 35 pounds of pollutants into the air each day.

If you are not yet in a vanpool, call Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) at **800-538-6883**. A knowledgeable Commute Consultant will help you find a vanpool going your way.



"Thanks so much. I appreciate all you've done for us to make our commute easier."

-Emily G., Vanpool Driver, State Fund