Vanpool Basics

A vanpool is a larger, more formalized type of carpooling. In a vanpool, groups of 5 to 15 people regularly travel to work together (at least 20 miles or more roundtrip) in a van leased from a third-party agency and subsidized in part by Point2point. Typically, riders pay a monthly fare, while drivers may ride at a discounted rate in exchange for driving and maintaining the van. Vanpoolers not only reduce their CO2 footprint and traffic congestion, they also:

1. Save money on commute costs like gas, vehicle wear and tear, and parking.
2. Reduce stress by either sharing driving duties, or not driving at all. Ever.
3. Build community with co-workers and neighbors.

How to Start

ETCs can help their co-workers find or start vanpools by giving them these instructions:

1. Visit ValleyVanpool.info and look at the list of current vanpools.
2. Contact the driver directly to make arrangements for joining the vanpool.

If there is not an existing vanpool that meets your employee’s needs, Point2point can help them start a new one. You can tell them to contact us at Vanpool@LTD.org or 541-682-6183. You can also provide interested employees with:

- Information on vanpool roles and vanpool subsidy guidelines.
- Vanpool Riders Wanted flyers.

Facilitating Vanpooling

To help make vanpooling easier and more attractive for your co-workers, you can

1. Provide some vanpool tips.
2. Ask your employer to designate priority parking spaces for employees who vanpool and order carpool parking signs for those spaces.

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