



**Save Time,
Money and
Your Sanity**

**Helping the planet
is just a side benefit**

**METRO
*VanPool***



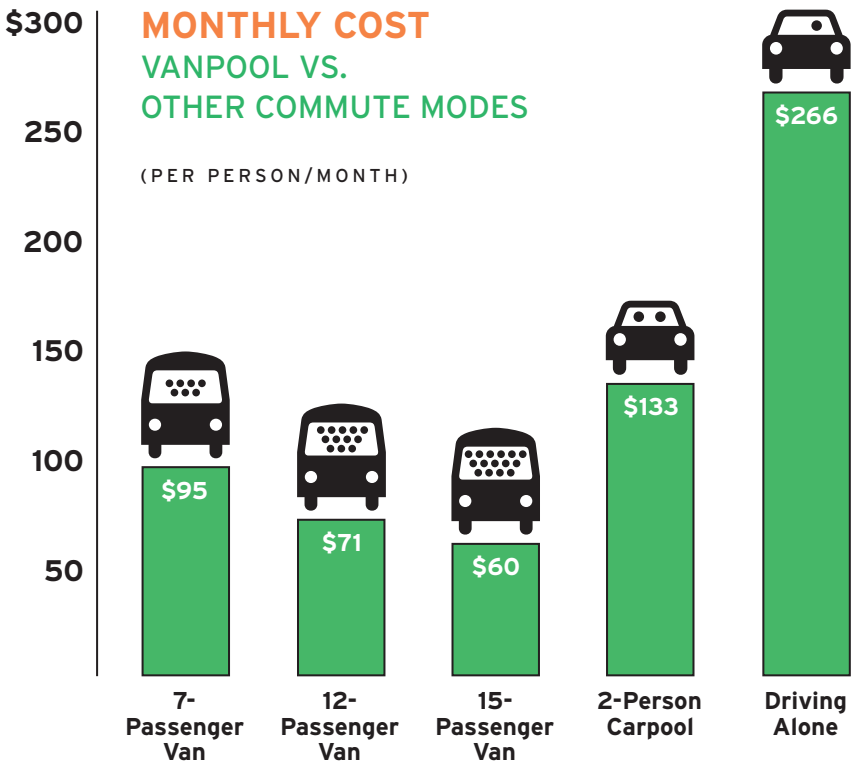
VanPool and Save

Vanpooling can cost a quarter of what you would pay to drive alone! A Vanpool is a group of 5 to 15 people who travel from home or a meeting place to work, school or other destinations. Vanpoolers save money and avoid the stress of driving.



Did you know?

As a member of a VanPool you will be doing your part to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality while saving money. Way to go!



SOURCE: METRO, 2007

10 heads are better than one!

Monthly VanPool costs per rider, including fuel, are \$60 to \$95 for a 30-mile trip, *compared to \$266 to drive alone.* An incentive program pays 50 percent of the van lease cost. By reducing the cost of maintenance on your own vehicle and splitting the cost of fuel with other riders, *you can save hundreds of dollars each year.*

Some employers offer subsidies for vanpooling and allow employees to purchase VanPool fares on a pre-tax basis. Ask your employer if they support vanpooling.

Reduce your stress

Most people say their commute to work is the most stressful part of the day. In contrast, VanPool riders can relax, read or take a nap. There are fewer worries about traffic, vehicle reliability or getting to work on time. Metro VanPool provides riders a free cab ride home if an emergency occurs before your normal departure time.

“When it’s not my day to drive, I don’t care how long the commute is. With two kids this is often the best sleep I get.”

—JEFF WRIGHT
FARMERS INSURANCE

About Metro VanPool

The Metro VanPool program coordinates vanpool services for commuters who travel into the Portland, Oregon metropolitan region including Clark County, Washington and is a service of Metro’s Regional Travel Options program.

Metro, the regional government that serves 1.3 million people who live in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties and the 25 cities in the Portland metropolitan area, provides planning and other services that protect the nature and livability of our region.



Start a VanPool

VanPools may be started by groups of commuters or their employers. Use these steps to get started.

1 Find potential riders.

Identify people who travel from your neighborhood to your worksite or nearby worksites.

2 Identify a driver.

Check with VanPool members to see who is willing and qualified to drive. Drivers often travel for free in exchange for completing monthly reports.

3 Research van options.

VanPool has lease agreements with three area VanPool providers offering varying lease costs based on commute distance and van size.

4 Contact Metro VanPool.

Register your VanPool with Metro and determine if it qualifies for a monthly incentive.

For more information, call Metro VanPool at (503) 813-7566, email rto@metro-region.org or visit www.metro-region.org/vanpool.

Find a VanPool

There may already be a VanPool that meets your needs. View route and schedule information at www.metro-region.org/vanpool.

Not enough people for a VanPool? Try CarpoolMatchNW to find your ride! CarpoolMatchNW is an easy way to find someone to share a ride. Visit www.carpoolmatchnw.org or call (503) 813-7566.

Drive less. Save more.



METRO

PEOPLE PLACES
OPEN SPACES

600 NE Grand Ave.
Portland, OR 97232-2736

