



## Welcome to Pierce Transit Vanpool!

Vanpooling is a unique form of public transportation in that it is “made to order”. Commuters who live and work near each other, or along the way, decide to share the ride in one of our vanpool vehicles in exchange for a low monthly fare. With our help, they plan the pickup locations, group route, and arrival and departure times that will ensure they arrive at their destination on schedule. At least two people in the group agree to become approved volunteer drivers, and one agrees to become an approved volunteer bookkeeper. We provide all training free of charge. Once a van is available for the group, they hit the road. It’s that easy.

We are excited and privileged to provide this service to our customers here in the Puget Sound, the birthplace of public vanpooling in the U.S. With more than 20 vanpool programs statewide and 300+ vans at Pierce Transit, Washington State is home to the largest public vanpool fleet in the country.

Pierce Transit launched its vanpool program in 1986, with one vanpool coordinator for seven vans. We now have over 300 vehicles in our fleet and regularly transport over 2,500 people to over 150 destinations. Vanpooling continues to shine as a flexible and viable mode of travel serving daily commuters. Vanpools also serve community needs for organizations, offering an innovative, more flexible arrangement of trips. For more information on commuter or community use vanpools, contact us at 253.983.3377 or email [vanpool@piercetransit.org](mailto:vanpool@piercetransit.org).