



VANPOOL QUICK FACTS

What is a Vanpool?

A vanpool is a group of five to 15 commuters who share a ride to and from work and/or a vocational/post-secondary educational destination. The participants (all passengers and the driver) share the cost of the service, or their employer may subsidize all or part of the costs. The leased vehicles range from seven passengers up to 15-passenger vehicles (including the driver). Everyone in the vanpool is a volunteer and the driver is unpaid.

SOLVAN's Program

Through a SolVan-Approved Third Party Leasing Vendor, SolVan subsidizes on an ongoing basis, qualified vanpools up to \$400 a month, OR, \$500 a month if leasing a qualified zero emission vehicle. Vanpools are advertised to the public and any empty seats must be made available to any potential commuter who shares the same work commute. Vanpools must meet the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. If there is a vacancy in a vanpool and a person with a disability applies for a seat, the vanpool and the vanpool Vendor must make accommodations for the individual to become a vanpool member.

Qualification Requirements

- Begin or end your trip in the Eastern Riverside area
 - Travel at least 25 miles' round trip each day
 - Start with and maintain a 70% or greater occupancy
 - Leaseholder must lease a vehicle through a SolVan-Approved Leasing Vendor
 - Understand that SolVan will publicize the vanpool and any empty seats
 - Comply with all SolVan Program requirements
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Apply Today

For information on joining or leasing a CalVans vehicle, go directly to their website at CalVans.org. However, if you already have a vanpool and your lease is with a SolVan-Approved Leasing Vendor other than CalVans, or if you are interested in forming a vanpool through a SolVan-Vendor, you may begin the process today by visiting the SolVan online web-based system at SolVan.org for all the information you need to get started. There are helpful documents, such as Program Guidelines, a Step-by-Step Guide and Frequently Asked Questions. The application process is simple and can be done online at SolVan.org. Should your subsidy begin during the month, SolVan will prorate the subsidy based on your anticipated commute days during the month. However, there are times that the subsidy may not begin until the 1st of the following month after approval.

Ongoing Requirements

To receive an ongoing subsidy, you must track your vanpool commute statistics, including which of your passengers commute each day to and from work. Should you have changes to your original vanpool application (new passengers or schedule changes), you must notify SolVan ASAP. SolVan vanpools will report monthly statistics to SolVan online. However, all CalVans vanpools report directly to CalVans. In addition, all vanpools must maintain 50% occupancy to continue to receive a SolVan subsidy.

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