

Vanpool FAQ

How does a vanpool work?

A vanpool is like a carpool except it holds more people! Typically it's a group of 5-15 people who commute to and from work together in a van or SUV. The van itself is leased and paid for by the riders, with the primary driver being the leaseholder.

How much does it cost?

Typically vanpools cost between \$90-\$120/month per person plus gas, but SLOCOC can cover up to 50% of this cost with our subsidy. Pricing includes a complete service package, vehicle registration, insurance and maintenance.

Where does the van pick up?

Vanpoolers usually meet at a central location that suits everyone. Some vanpools have multiple pick ups but others have only one. It's dependent on what's best for the group and what they collectively decide.

How many people do I need?

You need 5-15 people to start a vanpool!

What is the commitment?

It's a month to month commitment!

Who drives?

In some vanpools, everyone takes turns driving; in others, passengers cover the full commute costs of the driver. Drivers of vehicles with 11 to 15 passengers must get a DMV medical. The cost in 2021 for this certification was \$140.

What's the deal with the subsidy?

SLOCOC provides up to a 50% subsidy per month for vanpools that have a minimum of 50% average occupancy (up to \$700). Vanpools are required to keep a daily log of vanpool riders (provided by Rideshare) to receive the monthly subsidy.

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