



CommuteSmart

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# The smarter way to work!

Once again, you've found yourself thinking, "There has got to be a better way to get to work." You're right. CommuteSmart Birmingham provides free assistance to help you find an alternative way to work. We aim to relieve traffic congestion and reduce air pollution in Jefferson and Shelby counties. CommuteSmart even works hand-in-hand with companies and organizations to develop tailored commuter programs. *Oh yeah*, did we mention you get paid just by logging your commutes on our website? CommuteSmart is the smarter way to work every day!



Walking to work not only helps reduce emissions and traffic congestion, but it also promotes a healthy lifestyle. There are no limitations on how far you have to walk.



Vanpooling is a popular alternative for individuals who live and work in the same vicinity and can save you money just by reducing the wear-and-tear on your car.



Transit riders are also eligible for incentives through the CommuteSmart program. Just tell us when you ride!



Biking to and from work is a healthy alternative to commute that also helps reduce vehicle emissions. There are no limitations on the distance you have to travel.



Teleworking (or working from home) makes you eligible for incentives through the CommuteSmart program. It also reduces vehicle emissions by getting your car off the road.



Carpooling with a friend, coworker or spouse to and from work is not only cost saving, but it makes your commute more fun. You don't have to carpool every day, and there are no limitations on the distance you must travel. We even have a database with more than 15,000 participants looking for a ridematch if you think you can't find one.

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# How do I get paid to commute?

## GetGreen

A COMMUTESMART PROGRAM

GetGreen is a one-time program that offers commuters \$1 per day for every day an alternative commute is taken in the first 90 days of participating in CommuteSmart. Each commuter is eligible to receive up to \$70 during this period. Commuters are paid for each day they choose to carpool, telework, take transit, bike or walk to work. A minimum of 20 alternative commutes must be taken during the 90-day period to qualify for a check (this would equal a \$20 check). After you have completed the GetGreen program, you will automatically be enrolled into CommuterClub. Vanpool participants are not eligible for this program.

## CommuterClub

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After the initial 90-day period of the GetGreen program, commuters are automatically enrolled in the ongoing CommuterClub program. "Club members" who log at least 20 qualified commutes over a three-month period will receive a \$25 gift card of their choice every 90 days. Each carpooler that logs their commutes is eligible for a gift card. Commutes are not based on distance from home to work. Qualified commute alternatives are carpooling, teleworking, taking transit, biking and walking to work. Vanpool participants are not eligible for this program.

## Emergency

A COMMUTESMART PROGRAM

**RIDE HOME**

Any commuter actively logging commutes in the CommuteSmart database is eligible for the Emergency Ride Home program. If an emergency arises while you are at work, CommuteSmart will set you up with a free ride home. This program only covers emergencies such as sickness while at work or unexpected overtime up to five times per year.

\*Commuters living or working in Jefferson or Shelby counties are eligible for the CommuteSmart program!

# RIDESHARE APPLICATION

Please print information clearly, or visit our website at: [www.commutessmart.org](http://www.commutessmart.org)

**I'm interested in:** (check all that apply)

- Finding carpool partner(s)       Vanpool Information
- Register for incentive program  
(Only applicable for those taking an alternative commute)

## HOME INFO

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NAME

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ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOXES)

APT.#

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CITY

STATE

ZIP

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HOME PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE)

E-MAIL (REQUIRED)

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CLOSEST INTERSECTION TO HOME

## WORK INFO

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COMPANY NAME

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WORK ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOXES)

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CITY

STATE

ZIP

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WORK PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE)

E-MAIL (REQUIRED)

## MY WORK SCHEDULE

- MON \_\_\_\_\_       TUES \_\_\_\_\_
- WED \_\_\_\_\_       THURS \_\_\_\_\_
- FRI \_\_\_\_\_       SAT \_\_\_\_\_
- SUN \_\_\_\_\_

## COMMUTER INFO

IN A CARPOOL I WOULD PREFER TO BE A:

- DRIVER     RIDER     EITHER     NOT APPLICABLE

I HAVE A CAR TO USE FOR CARPOOLING:

- YES     NO     NOT APPLICABLE

CHECK USUAL MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK:

- CARPOOL     DRIVE ALONE     RIDE BUS     VANPOOL     BIKE/WALK

# AGREEMENT

I agree that my information will be entered into CommuteSmart Ridematching Database and used to match me with potential carpoolers or vanpoolers and other commuter-related services, based on their proximity to my home or work address and work schedule. I understand that others will receive similar information regarding my commute choice (excluding my street number) and may contact me to form a carpool or vanpool, and that my information will not be provided by CommuteSmart to outside marketing agencies. I acknowledge that participation in a carpool or vanpool is an individual decision and that I am responsible for my operation or participation in a carpool or vanpool. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility for determining from any names provided, the suitability of others to being a carpool/vanpool with me, including but not limited to background, driving history, and roadworthiness of vehicles. The Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham, its contractors, its employer partners, or CommuteSmart shall have no responsibility or liability for any claims, expenses or damages resulting from any individual's participation in a carpool or vanpool. I may choose to be removed from the CommuteSmart Services Ridematching Database at any time upon my request. I understand I must be at least 18 years old to participate in this program.

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SIGNATURE DATE



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