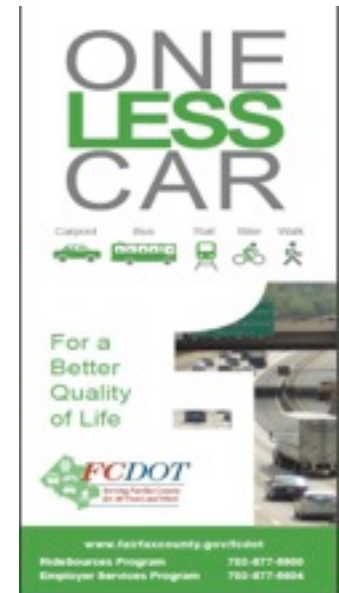


# WELCOME

# Saratoga Community Commuter Workshop

January 5  
2012



Part One

# RIDESHARING



# RIDESHARING CARPOOL AND VANPOOL SAVE TIME AND MONEY!



# Regional Ridesharing programs

(Carpools and Vanpools)



- [www.NuRide.com](http://www.NuRide.com)

Rewards for Ridesharing!

- [www.CommuterConnections.org](http://www.CommuterConnections.org)

More neighbors, more coworkers

# Commuter Connections Finding Carpoolers and

- We are Commuter Connections!
- Home address or work address not required.
- Largest Commuter database in the region.



# COMMUTER CONNECTIONS VIRGINIA RIDESHARE PROGRAMS

City of Alexandria – Local Motion

Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission

Rappahannock–Rapidan Regional Commission

Fairfax County RideSources

GWRideConnect

Loudoun County Office of Transportation Services

Northern Neck Planning District Commission

Potomac & Rappahannock Transportation  
Commission

LINK

Richmond RideFinders



# Virginia Mega Projects



Several major construction projects are under way in Northern Virginia, including the I-495 Capital Beltway High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes.

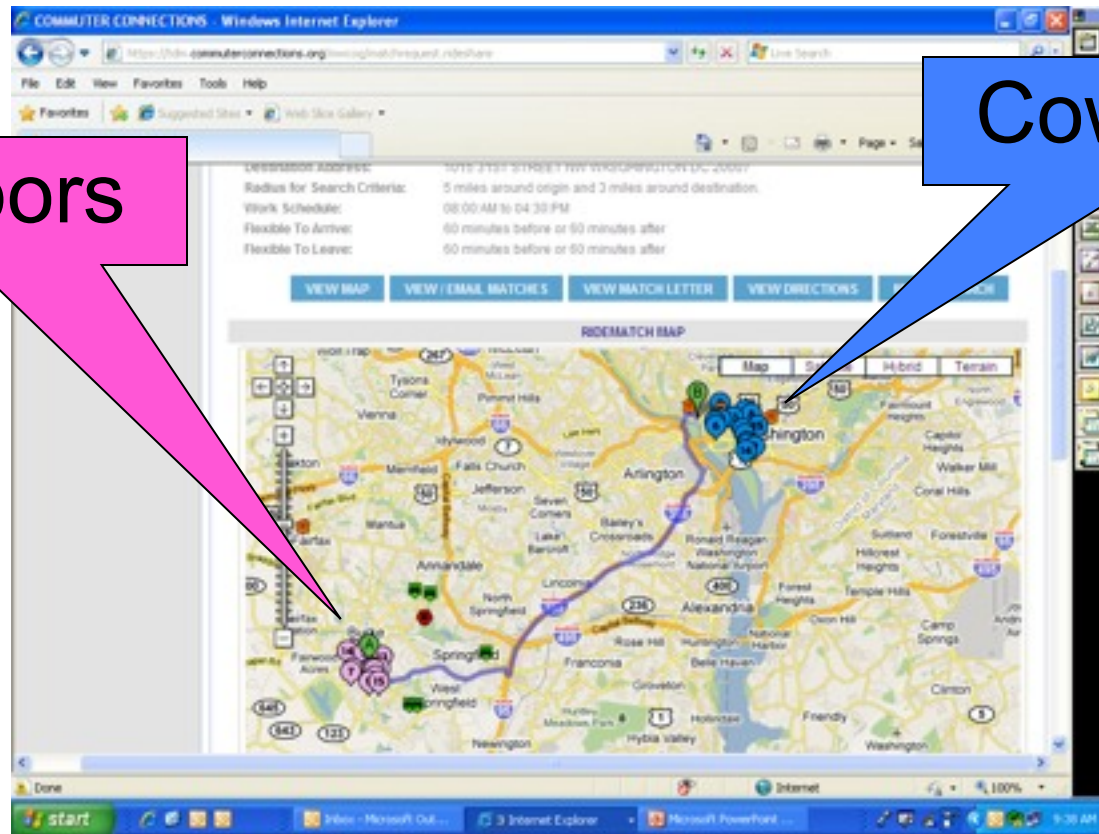
The Virginia Department of Transportation will keep motorists informed and moving during this construction. These mega construction projects provide innovative solutions to ease congestion by improving multiple modes of transportation – highway, rail and a new network for carpools and buses called HOT lanes.

[www.vamegaprojects.com](http://www.vamegaprojects.com)

# Google Style maps at [www.CommuterConnections.org](http://www.CommuterConnections.org) Find Carpools and Vanpools!!

Neighbors

Coworkers



Blue = Coworkers

[www.NuRide.com](http://www.NuRide.com)

# FLEXIBLE CARPOOLS

NuRide - the Rewarding Way to Go - Windows Internet Explorer

http://www.nuride.com/nuride/main/train.jsp

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Favorites Suggested Sites Web Slice Gallery

NuRide - the Rewarding Way to Go

Page Safety Tools

**nuride**

NuRider name or email:  Password:   Remember me [Forgot login?](#)

### Get Rewards for Greener Trips

Get rewards when you walk, bike, telecommute, carpool, vanpool, take a subway, train, bus, ferry or even work a compressed week. It's free and easy to do!

- 49,732 NuRide members
- 18,223 walking trips
- 42,421 biking trips
- 48,724 telecommutes
- 3,090,891 carpool & vanpool trips
- 286,808 bus trips
- 75,955 subway, light rail & train trips

**see rewards**

Select Region

Internet 100%

start Inbox - Micro... 3 Internet E... Microsoft Exc... Microsoft Pow... 11:05 AM

[www.NuRide.com](http://www.NuRide.com)

## Ride Matching = Carpools

- Require a corporate or organization email address to register (includes @mil)
- Can be used for non standard carpool trips. Once or twice a week.
- Rewards can accrue from Transit trips as well. (Bus and Rail)

# Hints about NuRide.com

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# Guaranteed Ride Home



- Provides commuters who regularly (twice a week) carpool, vanpool, bike, walk or take transit to work with a FREE and reliable ride home
- Commuters may take advantage of GRH up to four times per year to get home for unexpected emergencies such as a personal illness or a sick child. GRH can also be used for unscheduled overtime when your employer mandates that you must stay late.
- Best of all, the GRH service is FREE!

# VANPOOL

## Make Friends, Save Time and Money!



# 3 TYPES OF VANPOOLS



- **Third-party vans**

leases the vanpool vehicle for a monthly fee that includes the vehicle operating cost, insurance, and maintenance.

- **Owner-operated vans** – An individual leases or purchases a van and operates the van independently.

- **Employer-provided vans** – The employer buys or leases vans for employees' commute use. The employer organizes the vanpool riders and insures and maintains the vehicles.

# Vanpools



Group of Interested Individuals usually 7 to 15 (can be less)

Dedicated Drivers (at least 2)

# PICK UP POINTS? YOU DECIDE!



**VDOT Commuter lots  
Park and Ride lots  
Church lots  
Shopping Centers**

# Enjoy your Commute



**Read, Work, Sleep**

# INCENTIVES!

## Van Start Funding

- Pay for empty seats
  - up to 4 months
  - while you advertise and recruit



# Van Save Funding

**KEEP YOUR VAN ON THE ROAD!**

- Pay for empty seats
  - up to 4 months
  - while you advertise and recruit



# QUESTIONS...

- [Call or visit your local County Transportation Agency](#)



- Fairfax County RideSources (703) 877-5900
- Commuter Connections (800) 745-RIDE

Part Two

**TRANSIT**

[www.metroopensdoors.com](http://www.metroopensdoors.com)

# Trip Planner

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

Home Rail Bus Accessibility Getting Around Fares Rider Tools About Metro

### Metro Trip Planner

Travel From Location:

Travel To Location:

Leaving after:  PM

Date: 09/24/2010

Submit Advanced | Help / Tips

### Metro Service Status

Rail	Bus	Elevator
Red Line	On Time	
Blue Line	On Time	
Orange Line	On Time	
Green Line	On Time	
Yellow Line	On Time	

There are no Metrorail alerts at this time.

View All Rail Alerts Sign-up for eAlerts

### Maps & Stations

Plan your trip or find a stop.

Rail | Bus

### Next Bus & Train Arrivals

Don't miss another bus or train.

Rail | Bus

### New to Metro

Discover the best ride in the nation.

Learn more

### News

- Metro call centers closed temporarily, web site offers best access for informati... 09/24/10
- Weekend renovation to improve reliability, services the Orange, Blue, Yellow an... 09/23/10
- New pedestrian traffic pattern around Pentagon Transit Center, Metrorail station 09/23/10
- Metro Committee recommends new safety-driven mission, creation of a new safety c... 09/22/10

### Officials Testify to Congress on Safety

Metro's actions comply with NTSB recommendations.

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### SmartTrip® Card

Discover the convenience of a rechargeable card.

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Discover the convenience of SmartBenefits®.

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# www.FairfaxConnector.com

The screenshot displays the Fairfax Connector website in a Windows Internet Explorer browser window. The main page features a navigation menu with categories like 'Home', 'Living Here', 'Doing Business', 'Visiting', and 'Departments & Agencies'. A sidebar on the left contains a 'Index' and 'Related Links' section. The main content area is titled 'Fairfax Connector' and includes sections for 'News and Information', 'Bus Routes', 'Metro Trip Planner', 'Rider Resources', and 'Contact Us'. An inset window shows a detailed bus schedule for the 'Tysons - West Park Transit Station / West Falls Church Metro Line'.

**Fairfax Connector**

**News and Information**  
RSS Feed - Service Alerts - Listserv - News Releases - Service Changes - Social Media - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) - Publications

**Bus Routes**  
North County - South County - West

**Metro Trip Planner**

**Rider Resources**  
Fare and Transfers - New Rider Tools - Bicycles - Wheelchairs

**Contact Us**  
Email - Telephone - Connector Stores

**Bus Schedule: Tysons - West Park Transit Station / West Falls Church Metro Line**

425/427

Line	Direction	Stop	Time
425 - Monday - 427 Service	West Falls Church Metro Station	West Falls Church Metro Station	6:00 AM
		West Falls Church Metro Station	6:15 AM
427 - Monday - 425 Service	Tysons West Park Transit Station	Tysons West Park Transit Station	6:00 AM
		Tysons West Park Transit Station	6:15 AM
425 - Monday - 427 Service	West Falls Church Metro Station	West Falls Church Metro Station	6:30 AM
		West Falls Church Metro Station	6:45 AM
427 - Monday - 425 Service	Tysons West Park Transit Station	Tysons West Park Transit Station	6:30 AM
		Tysons West Park Transit Station	6:45 AM

**www.fairfaxconnector.com**  
703-339-7200  
TTY 703-339-8606

Effective June 28, 2009

# Commuter Connections

## One-Stop Shop for Commuting information



[www.511virginia.org](http://www.511virginia.org)

# Trip Planner & Commute info

The screenshot shows the 511 Virginia website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with "Virginia.gov", "Online Services | Commonwealth Sites | Help | Governor", and a search box. Below this is a blue banner with the "511 Virginia" logo and the text "A service of the Virginia Department of Transportation". A secondary navigation bar includes "Home >> Commuting", "Contact Us", and "Search this Site".

The main content area is titled "Commuting / Virginia" and features a "Select a specific region" dropdown menu. Below the title, there is introductory text: "Looking for a way to improve your daily commute to work? Looking for a way to reduce the cost of getting to shopping, entertainment, or dining? Consider these options to save time, frustration and money."

The "Commuter Options" section is divided into two columns of icons and text:

- Driving Alone:** Find the best ways to make your solo trips hassle free.
- Telework:** Live where you work (by working from home).
- Carpooling / Vanpooling / WalkBike:** Share the ride to save money, time and stress.
- Slugging:** Save time and money with these "Instant Carpools."
- Bike / Walk:** Exercise your way to cost savings and better health.
- HOV / Reversible Roadways:** Discover how you can ride in the highway's fast lanes.
- Bus / Rail / Metro / Ferry:** Learn how your commute can give you extra time to relax or work.
- E-ZPass:** Take the hassle out of paying tolls with the automatic toll collection system.
- Bridges and Tunnels:** Get location and rate info before you leave dry land.
- Toll Roads:** Stay up to speed on the latest rates and payment options.

Below the commuter options is an "Airports" section with the text "Click below for the best ways to get to Virginia's Airports" and a small map.

The right sidebar contains several sections:

- Getting There On The Go:** Includes "Better Ways" with tips like "Catch a traffic jam before you get caught in it" and "Ask your employer if they offer special commuter benefits".
- Inter-city travel:** Features buttons for "AMTRAK" and "GREYHOUND".
- Your Choice:** A tip: "By combining two or more errands into a single trip, you can save gas, time and hassles."
- About the Environment:** A tip: "The less you drive, the less you pollute. You can help improve air quality for all of us by not driving alone at least one day a week."

A vertical sidebar menu on the left side of the page lists various services: "Select A Region", "Road Conditions", "Trip Planning", "Traffic Cameras", "Ask 511", "Commuting", "My 511 Control Room", "Weather", and "About 511".

# www.VRE.org

## Virginia Rail Express –



# SMARTRIP CARDS

A SmarTrip® card is a permanent, rechargeable farecard. It's plastic, like a credit card, and is embedded with a special computer chip that keeps track of the value of the card.



[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot)  
**PARK AND RIDES!!!**



# [www.CommuterConnections.org](http://www.CommuterConnections.org)

## Cost of Commute Calculator

EN ESPAÑOL QUICK LINKS ORDER BROCHURES BULLETIN BOARD SEARCH

COMMUTER CONNECTIONS  
A SMARTER WAY TO WORK

COMMUTER PROGRAMS EMPLOYER PROGRAMS COMMUTING RESOURCES ABOUT US NEWS & EVENTS

Home > Commuting Resources > Commuting Costs Calculator

COMMUTING RESOURCES

- TELEWORK CENTERS
- VANPOOL SERVICES
- RIDE-SHARE PROGRAMS
- CARSHARING
- REGIONAL TMA'S
- OTHER ORGANIZATIONS
- DOWNTOWN D.C.
- FAQ

COMMUTING COSTS CALCULATOR

Calculate Your Cost of Commuting

Fill out this form to figure out your monthly commute cost!  
(Press TAB to move to the next field and SHIFT-TAB to move back one field.)

A. What is your daily round trip commute distance from home to work (in miles)? 60

B. How many days per month do you normally work? 21

C. Cost per mile of owning and operating a vehicle.\* .551

D. How much do you pay for monthly parking and/or tolls? 0.0

Your estimated Monthly cost of commuting is \$694.26

Your estimated Yearly cost of commuting is \$8331.12

\* Based on AAA's 2008 estimate for owning and operating a vehicle. The estimate figures in the average fuel cost, maintenance, tires, insurance, license and registration and depreciation for a small sedan. Larger vehicles' cost will increase accordingly. See the table at the bottom of AAA's page, [Your Driving Costs](#).

\$ 8331.12  
Per Year!

# Commuter Connections Not just

Thank you for registering with **Commuter Connections**, which provides commuter services through the following programs:

PROGRAM REGISTRATION			
RIDE SHARING	GUARANTEED RIDE HOME	'POOL REWARDS	ADDITIONAL CCMMUTE INFO
<p>Helps commuters who are interested in sharing the ride to and from work in joining carpools or vanpools, or find pool partners.</p> <p><a href="#">View Demo</a></p>	<p>Provides commuters who regularly carpool, vanpool, bike, walk, or take transit to work with a free and reliable ride home when one of life's unexpected emergencies arise.</p>	<p>The 'Pool Rewards program is a demonstration project that provides cash incentives to commuters that start or join new carpools on three designated traffic corridors in the region.</p>	<p>Additional commuting information and maps are available for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Bicycling</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Walking</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Transit</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Telework Centers</li></ul>
<p>Join Rideshare</p>	<p>Join GRH</p>	<p>Join 'Pool Rewards</p>	<p>Request Info</p>

Your registration has been processed with the following information. You may use [Edit Profile](#) option to make corrections/changes to maintain your account information.

**THANK YOU!**

**For more information please call The  
Fairfax County Department of  
Transportation  
Community Residential Program  
at (703) 877-5641**

**or visit**

**[www.FairfaxCounty.gov/fcdot](http://www.FairfaxCounty.gov/fcdot)**