

# Commuter Services offers better ways to work!



## SAVE YOUR DRIVE FOR THE OFFICE Public Transportation

Ride On, Metrobus, Metro, MARC, and Express buses can get you where you need to go, on-time and stress-free. Use the Trip Planner to find your best route. Or visit a

TRiPS store and we'll help you plan a route and provide information on fares, transit subsidies, and other better ways to work.

## COMMUTER BENEFITS (PRACTICALLY) PAY YOU TO USE TRANSIT OR VANPOOLS Commuter Benefits

Available to *any* business in the County, employers and employees can both enjoy tax-free savings when employers sign up for this program and employees use transit or vanpools. Employers even receive a state tax credit plus many other deductions.

### Free/discount parking

Lots and garages throughout the County offer discount parking rates for carpools and vanpools. Free park-and-ride lots are convenient places to leave your car and join up with carpools/vanpools or gain easy access to public transit.

## WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Call, click, or come on in for a personal consultation. Our transportation options won't leave you out in the cold! And with new services being added all the time, we're making it even easier to find better ways to work!

*Services available in many languages.*

## BEAT THE TRAFFIC

### HOV Lanes for Carpools, Vanpools and Express Buses

Cut travel times, costs and frustration! Find a convenient carpool/vanpool through Commuter Connections, the region's ride matching program. Then zip along I-270 or other HOV lanes – it just takes two people in a car! Travel along the 12-mile stretch Southbound from I-370 to I-495 weekdays from 6-9AM. Northbound travel from I-495 to MD 121 (Clarksburg Road) operates 3:30-6:30PM weekdays. There are lots of other HOV lanes in the region, too - and more being added!

### Alternative Work Schedules

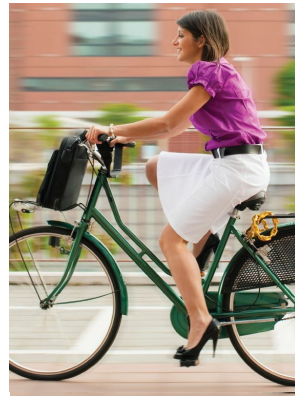
Tap into our expertise and set up flex time, compressed work weeks, or job sharing programs. It's free! With flextime programs employees have the option of adjusting their departure and arrival times to help avoid peak travel times, and compressed work schedules can eliminate one day of commuting per week.

### Biking

Get in shape while you get to work. Ask for free bike guides and route maps. We can provide you with practical tips and helpful ideas to get you started. All Ride On and Metro buses have bike racks – enabling you to go partway on the bus and then bike – or vice versa. And there are rental lockers and parking racks at most Metro stations. Some employers provide showers, racks, and lockers, too!

### Walking

It's a great way to stimulate the brain and build some exercise into your week. We're working to improve sidewalks and street crossings to improve pedestrian safety and enjoyment. And we'll help you map out the safest route to work – for free!



## STAY NEAR OR AT HOME AND WORK Telework

Through our partnership with Commuter Connections and the State of Maryland, Montgomery County provides free consulting and resources for employers on how to set up a telework program. Employers find it increases productivity, reduces costs, and boosts employee morale and retention.

### Live near your work

In some areas, financial assistance is available for those looking to live near their work. We can tell you more or help employers set up these programs.

## FIND OTHER WAYS TO MEET YOUR NEEDS

### Guaranteed Ride Home

Commuters who carpool, vanpool, bike, walk, or take transit are eligible for a *free* Guaranteed Ride Home four times a year, in the event of an emergency or unscheduled overtime. Just be sure to register – ask us how.

### Car Sharing

Use commute options, but need a car during the day? Car sharing programs provide pre-registered members with hourly and daily car, truck, and van rentals conveniently located at or near many Metro stations and other major locations.

### Special Transportation

We can provide information on transportation services available for seniors and people with disabilities. All it takes is a phone call to 240-777-5890.



## IT'S EASY TO FIND THE INFORMATION YOU WANT



### CALL

**240-773-TRiPS (8747)**

for transit info or to join a carpool/vanpool

**240-773-BWTW (2989)**

to set up an appointment for a consultation

**240-777-5890**

for Special Transportation



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[www.mc311.com](http://www.mc311.com)

for one-stop County services

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

to plan your trip on transit



### COME BY

Buy passes and reload SmarTrip Cards, get information on transit and other options at our TRiPS commuter stores.

### SILVER SPRING TRiPS Commuter Store

8413 Ramsey Avenue

(at the corner of Wayne and Ramsey Avenues)

240-773-TRiPS (8747)

### FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS TRiPS Commuter Store

17 Wisconsin Circle, Chevy Chase

(near the Friendship Heights Metro)

240-773-TRiPS (8747)

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# TRiPS

Transportation Resources, Information & Places to See



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## COMMUTER SERVICES GUIDE



Desperately  
 seeking  
 better ways  
 to work?

# Let us show you how!



There are lots of ways to beat traffic, while saving time, money, and the environment. Let Montgomery County Commuter Services show you how!

The best place to start? Right here - with an overview of the many programs Commuter Services has available that provide an alternative to driving solo. Get in touch today and we'll help you put together the personalized program that works for you!