

THE FACTS



STAR Vanpool

METRO STAR is a ride-share service that helps you save money and enjoy a relaxing, stress-free ride to and from work. There are hundreds of scheduled routes, the program primarily serves eight counties: Harris, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery and Waller.

“Vanpooling is the safest form of public transportation you can use and safer than driving your own car.”

-National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB)

How it Works

- Average cost is \$6 to \$8 a day
- Includes rider’s share of the lease, fuel, parking, tolls, insurance, cleaning and roadside assistance
- Riders pay in advance at the beginning of the month
- No long-term obligations
- More than 2 million rides in FY2018
- More than 500 vans in operation

At a Glance

- Each vanpool has five to 15 members
- Members eligible for emergency rides home
- Riders meet in designated, central locations (no house-to-house service)
- METRO approves all drivers and pays maintenance costs

Some Employers Offer Subsidies

Some of the companies with multiple vanpools:

- Schlumberger
- ExxonMobil
- Baker Hughes
- Halliburton
- Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center

Want to ride? METRO will match you to a vanpool in your area! For more information call 713-224-RIDE (7433), visit StarVanpool.com or email us at STAR@ridemetro.org.

