

# Discover the Alternatives

## commute alternatives



## ridesharing

Save time and money, while reducing stress and protecting the environment.

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422-POOL



### Carpooling

Commute Alternatives/ Ridesharing can provide you with a free, personalized matchlist of potential carpool partners. Carpooling is a flexible way to commute: you can do it every day, twice a week, or mornings only -- it's up to you. Most carpools rotate the driver duty, although single-driver pools with shared expenses are also popular.



### Vanpooling

Is your commute over 40 miles round trip? Then vanpooling is a highly economical way to travel. Each vanpool has 7-15 members, and the driver usually commutes for free! Passengers read, relax, sleep and enjoy the ride. Commute Alternatives/Ridesharing can help you organize a vanpool.



### Public Transit

Public transit is relaxing and reliable. Commute Alternatives/Ridesharing can provide you with information on local bus routes as well as connecting routes to Santa Cruz and Santa Clara Counties, including light rail and Caltrain.



### Bicycling

Biking is a fun and healthy way to get to work, to transit stops, to your carpool pick-up point, run errands, or go on a family outing. Commute Alternatives/ Ridesharing can provide you with cycling tips, route choices, and bike maps to help you plan your trips.



### Walking

If you live only a few miles from your work, consider giving your car a break and try walking. There are many benefits to walking to work: exercise, saving money, and arriving to work relaxed and stress free.



### Telecommuting

Keep your car in the garage and still go to work! Telecommuting is working from a location other than your normal work site - your own home office or a satellite/telework center closer to your home. An increasing number of companies are encouraging their employees to telecommute at least one day a week. Find out if telecommuting will work for you.

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## Park & Ride Lots

serve as conveniently located pick-up points for your carpool, vanpool, or transit stop. There are many free parking lots throughout Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties. You can request a free map and description of the Park & Ride lot nearest you.



## Emergency Guaranteed Ride Home

Commuter Alternatives/Ridesharing guarantees alternative transportation users a ride home in the event of an emergency. The Emergency Guaranteed Ride Home (EGRH) program is available to commuters who live or work in Monterey County and who carpool, vanpool, take the bus, ride a bicycle, or walk to work at least one day a week. The EGRH program will pay for a FREE taxi ride home if there's an emergency. You must be registered to participate, so call 422-POOL to receive sign-up information and eligibility requirements.

## Helpful Phone Numbers

### Commuter Alternatives/Ridesharing

from Monterey (831) 883-3754  
from Salinas (831) 422-POOL

### Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST)

from Monterey (831) 899-2555  
from Salinas (831) 424-7695

### MST RIDES Program

Transportation services for people with disabilities.  
from Monterey (831) 373-1392  
from Salinas (831) 754-2804

**South County Transit** (831) 772-0425  
*King City to Salinas.*

### City Dial-A-Ride Transit Services

**Greenfield Autolift** (831) 674-5438  
**King City Transit** (831) 385-5984  
**Soledad Taxi** (831) 678-1550

### Other Regional Transportation Services

**San Benito County Transit** (831) 637-1611  
**San Benito Rideshare** (831) 637-POOL  
**Santa Cruz Metro** (831) 425-8600  
**Commuter Solutions** (831) 429-POOL  
*Rideshare program for Santa Cruz County*  
**Santa Clara VTA** (408) 321-2300  
*Bus and light rail in Santa Clara County*  
**Caltrain** (800) 660-4287  
*Rail service between Gilroy, San Jose, San Francisco, and other SF Peninsula cities.*  
**Monterey Peninsula Airbus** (831) 883-2871  
*Monterey/Marina/Salinas to SJC/SFO*  
**Amtrak** (800) USA-RAIL  
**Greyhound** (800) 231-2222

### Vanpool Leasing

**VPSI Commuter Vanpools** (800) VAN-RIDE  
**Enterprise Vanpool** (800) VAN-4WORK

## Get Started Today

Simply fill out the application to the right, detach and mail (no postage necessary). If you request carpool or vanpool information, you'll be sent a matchlist with the names of participants with similar commutes. For faster service, call, fax, or complete this form on the internet.

**Phone** (831) 422-POOL  
**Fax** (831) 883-3755  
**Web** [www.ambag.org](http://www.ambag.org)  
**E-mail** [rideshare@ambag.org](mailto:rideshare@ambag.org)

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## I'd like the following FREE information...

- Carpool Matchlist\*  Bicycling
- Vanpooling\*  Park & Ride Lots
- Public Transit  Telecommuting
- Emergency Guaranteed Ride Home
- Other \_\_\_\_\_



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (or major cross streets)\* \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone

Work Days \_\_\_\_\_ Work Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Flexibility (in minutes) \_\_\_\_\_

How do you get to work now? (drive alone, bus, carpool, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a car? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No



\* I understand that my name and telephone number will be registered and provided to other persons requesting ride-matching assistance. My address will remain confidential. Commuter Alternatives/Ridesharing provides ride-matching referral services and does not certify the character of ridesharing applicants. You are advised to screen referrals to your personal satisfaction.

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