

Measure C Commuter Vanpool subsidies and reimbursements for new vanpools:

1. Monthly lease subsidy
2. Vanpool start-up costs such as medical exams
3. Driver replacement cost
4. Emergency Ride Home Program
5. Driver Incentive
6. Parking permits
7. Vouchers

Project descriptions:

1. Monthly Lease Subsidy for New Vanpools:

Measure "C" funds will subsidize newly formed vanpools--originating in Fresno County--\$350 per vanpool, per month for up to one (1) year.

2. Medical Exam Expense:

All primary and alternate drivers are required to have medical exams prior to driving. Measure "C" funds will reimburse that expense up to \$50 per driver. A maximum of three (3) drivers (one primary and two alternate) from each new vanpool.

3. Driver Replacement Cost:

Should a primary or alternate driver need to be replaced, the new driver/s may be reimbursed up to \$75 per driver for a medical examination. A maximum of three (3) drivers (one primary and two alternate) from any single vanpool may receive the subsidy.

4. Emergency Ride Home:

This reimbursement covers costs for Emergency Ride Home services provided by a Vanpool Provider to the Vanpool participants. Emergency Ride Home programs offer vanpoolers a free ride to needed destinations in the case of an unforeseen emergency (illness, family crisis, unscheduled overtime). There is a variety of transportation options available to Vanpool providers and participants including taxi service, rental cars, company fleet cars and having fellow employees or supervisors take the vanpooler to their desired destination (home, hospital, etc.). It is up to the Vanpool Provider and their vanpoolers to decide which options will be provided.

5. Driver Incentive:

At the end of the first year of successful operation, the qualifying vanpool primary driver receives \$100 per current vanpool participant. Participants must have been in the vanpool for one full month or more to be counted, and must have all fees paid up-to-date on the vanpool's one year anniversary.

6. Parking Permits:

Will reimburse up to \$100 per month for parking permits/fees, excluding parking tickets or any other violation of parking laws.

7. Vouchers:

Vanpool providers may request funding for voucher programs that they develop and administer. Vouchers allow participants to join, switch or start vanpool groups.

Eligible subsidies and reimbursements for existing vanpools:

1. Empty Seat Subsidy
2. Driver-replacement costs
3. Emergency Ride Home Program
4. Parking permits
5. Vouchers

Project Descriptions:

1. Empty Seat Subsidy:

Should an existing vanpool group lose riders, the lease cost of the vacant seats would normally be absorbed by the remaining riders. This subsidy offers financial support to vanpool groups while they recruit replacement riders after the loss, by paying for the cost of a vanpool's vacant seat/s up to \$100 per seat for the 1st month, decreasing \$25 per seat for up to a four-month period.

Maximum available:

\$100 per empty seat—1st month

\$75 per empty seat – 2nd month

\$50 per empty seat – 3rd month

\$25 per empty seat – 4th month

A vanpool group may only apply for the subsidy once per participant loss, i.e. if a replacement rider is not found at the end of the 4-month empty seat subsidy period the subsidy cannot be reapplied for to fill the vacant seat. Proof of previous rider's sustained participation in the vanpool may be required by the vanpool provider.

2. Driver Replacement Cost:

Should a primary or alternate driver need to be replaced, the new driver/s may be reimbursed up to \$75 per driver for a medical examination. A maximum of three (3) drivers (one primary and two alternate) from any single vanpool may receive the subsidy.

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4. Parking Permits:

Reimbursement up to \$100 per month for parking permits/fees per vanpool. Excludes parking tickets or any other violation of parking laws.

5. Vouchers:

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