

Commuter Program Policies for Employees of GCCCD

Purpose:

To establish formal, written procedures and guidelines for an incentive –based Commuter Program for all Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College employees to encourage the use of alternative forms of transportation.

Mission Statement:

It is the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District’s goal to provide employees multiple commuting options to help offset the cost of traveling to and from work and to reduce our collective impact on the environment. GCCCD encourages employees to use alternative transportation rather than driving to work alone.

Program participation is voluntary and not a right or requirement of employment. Participants must comply with the regulations of the programs in which they participate and must practice good conduct to retain participation privileges. Failure to comply may result in program disqualification.

Potential Incentives:

The incentives offered to eligible employees for using alternative transportation include:

- Guaranteed Ride Home through iCommute
- Preferred parking for those who carpool/rideshare
- Quarterly Awards
- Monthly prizes by logging trips through iCommute
- WAZE Carpooling options including increased income for driving.

iCommute San Diego Partnership:

GCCCD has partnered with iCommute which is managed by SANDAG as part of the regional 511 transportation information program. The goal of the program is to manage and reduce traffic congestion during peak-times, as well as reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental pollutants that result from commuters driving alone to work each day. iCommute achieves this goal by offering assistance and tools to commuters and employers. These tools include free carpool and ride matching services, a subsidized vanpool program, transit solutions, the regional bicycle program, Guaranteed Ride Home service, and information about teleworking. Visit their website at <http://www.icommutesd.com> for more information about the program.

Guarnateed Ride Home Program:

If you carpool, vanpool, bike, or take commuter express buses or the COASTER commuter train three or more times a week, RideLink and the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District can get you home if you have an emergency. You must register with the RideLink program at www.ridelink.org to qualify for the Guaranteed Ride Home Program. The Guaranteed Ride Home program will provide a taxi or rental car (depending on the distance between work and home) so that you can get home in a hurry. The service can be used up to three times per enrollment year by registered participants, with a minimal co-pay. The service will either take you home or back to your car parked at a transit station or Park & Ride. The service does not provide a ride to the hospital or doctor's office.

To use the Guaranteed Ride Home program, registered participants must have one of the following situations:

- Personal or family illness
- Unscheduled overtime (with a supervisor’s approval)
- Stranded at work due to your carpool or vanpool driver leaving

Waze Carpool Partnership

GCCCD has partnered with [WAZE Carpool](#) to offer a new method of alternate transportation. Waze Carpool drivers aren't professionals like those found on Uber and Lyft. Instead, they are neighbors, classmates and fellow San Diegans looking to meet new people and maybe get back some gas money. If you're not a fan of driving or maybe you live away from public transport, then give Waze Carpool a try. Available for [iOS](#) and [Android](#).

Bike or Walk

Reduce stress, get fit, feel more energetic and save money.

- Secure bike racks located around campus
 - [Grossmont Bike Racks Map](#)
 - [Cuyamaca Bike Racks Map](#)
- Bike maintenance stations at each campus
- Showers available in the gymnasiums

iCommute resources:

- Chart your course using the interactive San Diego [Regional Bike Map](#)
- [Request](#) for secure bike parking or a bike locker at a transit stop or park n ride
- Guidelines for [bike safety](#) and security
- Learn how to take your [bike on transit](#)
- Grossmont hosts a pit stop on campus on [Bike to Work Day](#). Join the fun!