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Commuters

3 Ways to Save Money on Your Commute



Gas prices have been hitting all-time highs. If you're feeling the squeeze at the pumps, here are a few ways to lower the cost:

1. Drive less. If you carpool or vanpool, you'll be able to share the cost of gas or trade off driving duties with others, therefore filling up less often.

You can also skip the drive altogether by riding the bus or train, biking or walking where you need to go.

For a list of potential carpool partners, vanpool seats available or transit routing matched to your commute schedule, visit ridematch.info (Los Angeles/Orange/Ventura) or IECommuter.org (Riverside/San Bernardino).

2. Drive smarter. Studies have shown that personal driving habits are the single biggest factor affecting vehicle fuel consumption, according to the AAA. Keeping your car maintained, not accelerating quickly, combining trips and other habits can add up in the long run to lower gas use.

3. Go green. If you're in the market for a car, consider an electric vehicle. That way, the price of gas won't be an issue at all. California's Clean Vehicle Rebate Program may be able to save you up to \$7,000 off the cost to lease or buy an EV. Visit cleanvehiclerebate.org for details.

Metro Increases Vanpool Subsidy



(up from \$500) from Metro. For a limited

Vanpools traveling to Los Angeles County may now qualify for a \$600 monthly subsidy

time, Metro is also offering a \$200 sign-up bonus for new vanpools, plus an extra \$100 monthly for those vanpools operating at 70% capacity or higher.

For details, email vanpool@metro.net, call 213.922.7003 or visit metro.net/vanpool.

IE's \$5/Day Expands to Coachella Valley

IE Commuter's \$5/Day Incentive Program offers gift card rewards to new ridesharers in Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

For the first time, Coachella Valley commuters may also qualify. Get details at IECommuter.org.

The Latest Transit Discounts



• As a special deal for the summer, you can get a 1-Day Metrolink pass Monday through Friday for just \$15. It's good for travel anywhere Metrolink goes, all day.

The Summer Day Pass is only available via the **Metrolink app**.

If your travel is on the weekend, Metrolink year-round offers a Day Pass for \$10 to ride all day on Saturdays or Sundays.

• Free summer trolleys run in Orange County, taking you to your favorite destinations in **San Clemente, Laguna Niguel, Dana Point** and the **Balboa Peninsula**, among other areas.



• Through July 2, you can ride **Foothill Silver Streak or Commuter Express buses for the same price as local lines**—\$1.75. That's a savings of up to \$3.50 off regular fares. Local 31-Day Passes will also be accepted.

• **Metrolink's new 10-Day Flex Pass** saves riders 10% off regular round-trip ticket prices.



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