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Myths

OF CARPOOLING

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Carpooling saves money, reduces congestion on our roads and highways and reduces greenhouse gases. It also gives you the opportunity to develop new friendships with co-workers or other commuters. There are a number of benefits when two or more people share a ride in one vehicle but many folks haven't given it a try. Read below for the 4 most common myths about carpooling!

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1 HARD TO FIND PEOPLE WHO WANT TO CARPOOL

Did you know that there is a website for that? Seriously, with a database of over 13,000 commuters registered in **STRNC.ORG**, finding a carpool partner has never been easier. The best part is when you register it allows even more matches to be possible! The more folks registered the better your chances. There is no obligation once you sign up and you'll be able to immediately see possible matches for your commute.

2 I'LL HAVE TO COMMIT TO CARPOOLING EVERY DAY

Even carpooling one to two days a week is beneficial! On **STRNC.ORG** you can choose how many days you want to carpool. It's completely customizable and because you are in charge, you can change it at any point. Just work with your fellow carpoolers to create a schedule that works for you. By carpooling just twice a week, 1,600 pounds of greenhouse gases can be kept from the air each year.

3 I'LL BE STRANDED IN AN EMERGENCY

By registering in **STRNC.ORG** you are eligible for the Emergency Ride Home program. If you're stuck working unscheduled overtime, have a sick child or your carpool driver has to unexpectedly leave early or work late, you can be sure you'll have a free ride home.

4 I HAVE A CAR SO THERE IS NO NEED FOR ME TO CARPOOL

Awesome! You need a car to carpool (if you're going to be the driver). Carpooling cuts down on the number of cars and vehicles on the road. Fewer cars means there is less carbon and other gasses and pollution getting into the air. This protects the environment by keeping the air, water, and land cleaner. And, by carpooling, you take part in making the roads an easier and healthier place to be. As the driver, you can share costs on things like gas and maintenance. As a passenger you can catch up on emails, relax, read, whatever you want!