

Get your carpool rolling!



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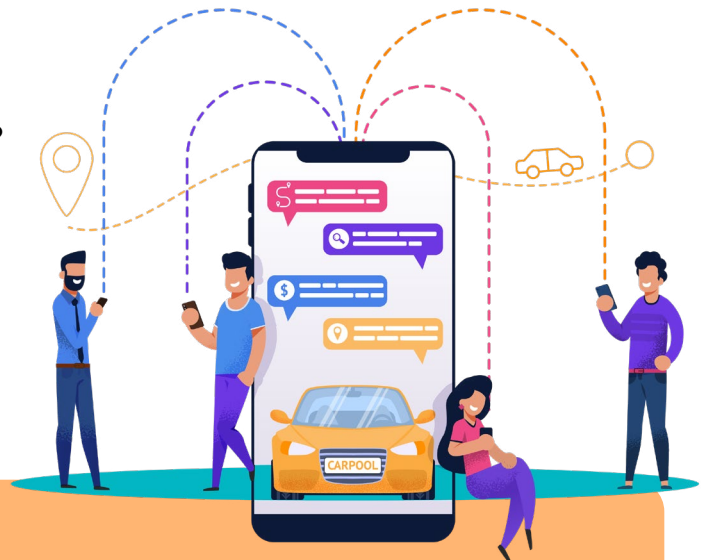
Congratulations, you've taken the first step to set your carpool in motion!
What's next?

Meet up

This step is essential for prospective carpool groups. Set a coffee, lunch or virtual date and work through the carpool checklist! Even if you already know each other, it's still helpful to get on the same page.

Check the boxes

- ☐ **Exchange information:** Swap phone numbers and email addresses if you haven't already.
- ☐ **Check your calendars:** Review your work schedules to find days that carpooling makes sense, and assign drivers to those days.
- ☐ **Find your route:** Pull up a map and scope out your new commute. Decide whether you want to set a common meeting place or do home pickups. Make sure everyone knows what time they need to be ready by.
- ☐ **Make a backup plan:** Think ahead to prepare for unexpected sick days and time off. If one carpooler is running late, how long do you wait before leaving? Plan now so you don't have to worry later.
- ☐ **Set ground rules:** Talk through your preferences on things like music, food and cleanliness to improve the trip experience.
- ☐ **Determine the costs:** If driving time isn't split, discuss expenses and set up a payment schedule.



Give it a go

You've done the hard stuff; now take a trial ride! Demo your carpool for at least one week, then check in to make sure everyone is ready to keep cruising.

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