

# Inside Lane

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## We're saluting your great work!

We're honoring organizations, employers and individuals for their great work in promoting alternatives to driving alone.



To help us do that, we'd like to hear from you! We're seeking nominations for the 2011 Commuter Choice Awards.

Awards honor those top organizations and employers with successful programs that promote alternate transportation options. Awards for individuals recognize those who demonstrate a commitment for transportation options in their workplace, school or community. Awards are for efforts and achievements completed between October 2010 and September 2011.

Get nomination forms [here](#).

Nomination forms must be received at Metro Transit by 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 10. Winners will be recognized at an awards luncheon in November.

**Interested in being a judge?** We're looking for volunteers to help us on panels that decide the award winners. You can submit a nomination and be a judge, too! We'll make sure you are on a panel that doesn't review nominations in your category. Interested? Contact [Theresa Cain](#) or call 612-349-7538.

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## October is Rideshare to Work Month

We're gearing up for Rideshare to Work Month in October.

It's a great time to help your employees discover all the things to love about carpooling or vanpooling instead of driving alone to work.

### Why share the ride?

- Cut commuting costs in half or more
- Reduce the stress of traffic congestion
- Save on car maintenance expenses

Here's an easy way to get started. If your employees create a commuter account on our Rideshare Planner during Rideshare to Work Month, they'll be eligible to win a prize!

Our new online ridematching system helps make finding carpool and vanpool matches even easier. Set up an account [here](#) – it's free! Your employees can find others who are traveling the same direction and time.

If you're interested in learning more ways to participate, contact your [employer outreach specialist](#). We'll work with you on ideas for fun events and promotions at your worksite.

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**Remind  
your  
employees  
to validate  
their rides**

We're reminding all



customers who carry a Go-To Card or transit pass to touch their card or pass to a reader before they board a bus or train.

Failure to do so may result in your card or pass being revoked/deactivated. Take the time to validate every time you ride – if you don't, a ticket could cost you \$180.

This affects customers who use a Go-To Card, Metropass, College Pass, U-Pass or Student Pass.

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