

VanAid Start-Up Subsidies

Qualified new vanpools are eligible for a one-time start-up subsidy, ranging from \$250 to \$500.

<i>Eligibility</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
Has the vanpool registered with RideWise?	Go to next question	Vans have <i>30 days from their original start-up date</i> to register by filling out the attached registration. Vans that fail to register are not eligible for aid.
Is the vanpools final destination a worksite in Somerset County?	Go to next question	Sorry – the van is not eligible for assistance from RideWise.
Do 50% of the vehicle’s available seats have passengers, not including the driver?	Go to next question	Sorry – the van is not eligible.
Is the van leased from VPSI or VPNJ?	Submit application	Sorry – the van is not eligible.

Vanpools may submit an application only after meeting all the eligibility criteria listed above. Complete the attached application form and fax to (908) 704-1494. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or processed. For questions or assistance, contact RideWise at (908) 704-1011.

Restrictions

- Vans may apply for one start-up subsidy only
- *The amount of the subsidy depends on the size of the van and the number of seats filled*
- Funding is provided at the discretion of RideWise
- Start-up subsidies will be paid directly to the third-party vanpool provider
- Vans must submit a complete application with passenger information within 30-days of start-up
- Passenger information that cannot be verified will result in a funding delay or refusal of funds
- Vanpools that terminate their lease within 90 days of receiving a start-up subsidy must repay all funds to RideWise.

Funding guidelines

7 passenger van @ 50% (3 passengers plus driver) = \$250
 8 passenger van @ 50% (4 passengers plus driver) = \$250
 9 passenger van @ 50% (5 passengers plus driver) = \$250
 12 passenger van @ 50% (6 passengers plus driver) = \$250
 14 passenger van @ 50% (7 passengers plus driver) = \$250

7 passenger van with all seats filled = \$500
 8 passenger van with all seats filled = \$500
 9 passenger van with all seats filled = \$500
 12 passenger van with all seats filled = \$500
 14 passenger van with all seats filled = \$500