

# There are so many ways to go!

Vermont has many options for mobility if you don't have access to a car, had your license suspended or have a physical or mental condition that can impair your ability to safely operate a motor vehicle.

Also, many Vermonter's prefer alternatives to private car ownership—and public transit, car-pooling and active options like biking provide great ways to get where you are going.

Whether you need a ride to doctor's appointments, work, or for personal errands, there's public transportation options available in cities and towns throughout Vermont. There are many programs that fill gaps in existing transportation services for certain groups like veterans, seniors, as well as individuals with disabilities.

## More Resources:

- ➔ **VERMONT'S AREA AGENCIES ON AGING**  
These agencies offer information and help to older Vermonters and their families.  
[1-800-642-5119](tel:1-800-642-5119) | [dcf.vermont.gov/partners/aaa](http://dcf.vermont.gov/partners/aaa)
- ➔ **AMTRAK**  
Intercity rail service to New York and Washington, DC from points in the Connecticut Valley, with stops in Claremont, NH as well as White River Jct., Bellows Falls and Brattleboro, VT.  
[1-800-USA-RAIL](tel:1-800-USA-RAIL)
- ➔ **AARP - VERMONT**  
Find information on safety for biking and driving, and Vermont's safe streets initiatives.  
[states.aarp.org/vermont](http://states.aarp.org/vermont)
- ➔ **ETHAN ALLEN EXPRESS**  
New York, NY to Albany, NY to Rutland, VT.  
Bus connections to Okemo.
- ➔ **THE VERMONT**  
Washington, DC to New York, NY to St. Albans, VT, with convenient stops along the way.
- ➔ **OLD SPOKES HOME**  
The **Everybody Bikes** program helps Vermonters who need to get to work but can't afford a car, those who struggle with addiction and lost their license, and who have recently emigrated and can't get a license.  
[www.oldspokeshome.com/everybody-bikes-program](http://www.oldspokeshome.com/everybody-bikes-program)
- ➔ **LOCAL MOTION**  
Vermont's bicycle and pedestrian advocacy organization has all of the resources you need for safe biking throughout the state.  
[localmotion.org](http://localmotion.org)

**Q&A Hotline: 800-685-RIDE**  
[ConnectingCommuters.org](http://ConnectingCommuters.org)



## ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GO!

# When you can't drive yourself.



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A program of the Vermont Agency of Transportation

## GET ON THE BUS!










 **PLUS:** Most local buses also allow you to take your bicycle with you!

Vermont's ten regional bus companies make up a network designed to help you get around in your community and across the state. All of our Vermont bus companies also provide special services for members of the community that may need a little more help getting around, such as elderly and disabled citizens.

### Never ridden the bus before?

Don't be afraid to ask questions! Your driver can help you navigate your first few rides and confirm that you're getting on the right bus, explain how to request a stop, or show you how to place a bicycle in the rack.

Find your line below or call us at **800-685-RIDE** and we'll point you in the right direction:

-  **Addison Region**  
Tri-Valley Transit | **802-388-1946**
-  **Bennington County**  
Green Mountain Community Network Inc | **802-447-0477**
-  **Franklin, Chittenden, Lamoille & Washington Counties**  
Green Mountain Transit | **1-866-864-0211** (toll-free)
-  **Northeast Kingdom**  
Rural Community Transportation | **802-748-8487**
-  **Northern Windsor & Orange Counties**  
Tri-Valley Transit | **802-388-1946**
-  **Rutland County & Manchester (Bennington County)**  
Marble Valley Regional Transit District | **802-773-3244**
-  **Upper Valley (including Hanover & Lebanon)**  
Advance Transit | **802-295-1824**
-  **Wardsboro, Wilmington, Whitingham, Halifax, Dover & Readsboro**  
Southeast Vermont Transit—The Moover Division  
**802-464-8487**
-  **Windham & Southern Windsor Counties**  
Southeast Vermont Transit—The Current Division  
**802-388-1946**



### The bus goes farther than you think!

The **Go! Vermont Bus Network** connects you to more cities than ever before, including NYC, Boston and Montreal.

See a complete list of connecting cities at [connectingcommuters.org/bus-info/city-to-city](http://connectingcommuters.org/bus-info/city-to-city)

## CARPOOL MATCHING

### SHARING A RIDE IS WAY MORE FUN

When you find others with similar commutes and all go together, everyone benefits:

- Reduced wear and tear on personal vehicles
- Time to sit back and relax before and after work
- Fewer vehicles on the road mean fewer carbon emissions with less traffic and parking congestion

### Find your perfect carpool buddy:

When you join **Go! Vermont**, you can find carpool rides that match your schedule and personal ride criteria. Just sign up, enter your start and end address, set your preferences, and you'll see the carpool ride matches available to you. You'll even be rewarded for all of your green commutes!

Another great resource for carpooling is **Front Porch Forum**, a free online forum specific to your neighborhood where you can coordinate carpooling with neighbors. Looking for other ways to start or join a carpool? Email your co-workers, or post on your employer's bulletin board.

-  Call our Q&A hotline with your carpool questions at **800-685-7433**

## COMMUTER CO-OP VERMONT

Similar to a carpool, vanpooling has room for more commuters—imagine the savings when you split the costs of commuting with other. Minivans, SUVs, and full-size vans are provided by the state.

**Talk to your employer or contact a Go! Vermont representative** to learn more about the turn-key COMMUTER CO-OP program.

## TRIP PLANNER

Go! Vermont is a resource for finding greener travel options like carpool, vanpool, bus, bike or telecommute. You can also track your greener trips with Go! Vermont and earn rewards.

## TRANSIT BUS APP

### TRACKING YOUR BUS IS EASY AND FREE

Transit is a real-time bus locator and trip planning tool. Use the all-in-one app to get upcoming departure times for nearby lines and plan your trip across multiple routes. The app works in over 175 cities world-wide and is a simple, reliable way to make your trip easy and predictable. The free app automatically works with bus providers across Vermont—download today from your device's app store.

### Why use Transit?

- Track where your bus is in real-time
- See bus schedule and arrival times for buses in your area
- Plan routes to find the best way to get to your destination
- Step-by-step directions to your destination, including getting to your bus stop, where to get off or connect, and final walking directions to your destination



## GUARANTEED RIDE HOME BENEFIT

### Get home safely when plans change:

Knowing that even the best-laid plans can change unexpectedly, Go! Vermont created Guaranteed Ride Home, a benefit for bus riders, vanpoolers, and carpoolers. If you face an unforeseen change of plans such as a work-related or family emergency that prevents you from taking the bus or traveling via your carpool, GRH reimburses travel fees up to \$70!

### Here's how it works:

- 1) In the event that you cannot travel via your carpool or bus route, use public transportation, a taxi, and pay for it yourself.
- 2) Submit your information to Go! Vermont at: [connectingcommuters.org/programs/guaranteed-ride-home-benefit](http://connectingcommuters.org/programs/guaranteed-ride-home-benefit)
- 3) Receive reimbursement of up to \$70 within approximately three weeks of submitting your claim.

If you have questions about the eligibility of a situation not listed here, please contact Go! Vermont at: [commuters@vermont.gov](mailto:commuters@vermont.gov)