# **Commute Options for Employees of Parsons Brinckerhoff**

You don't have to drive alone to work! Read on to find out the many option you have for getting to and from work. These alternatives can save you money, are great for the environment, and can even contribute to your health!

## **Employee Transportation Coordinator (ETC)**

The ETC is a position required by the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) law, and is responsible for ensuring compliance with the law as well as championing commuter options and informing employees about transportation-related issues. The ETC will keep you informed about transit-related issues as well.

Your ETC Contact Info: Ryan Avery, 206.382.5219, avery@pbworld.com

### **ORCA Card**

Parsons Brinckerhoff provides an annual ORCA Business Passport to each benefits-eligible employee in the Seattle office. The card is valid for travel with the transit systems shown to the right.

The pass also provides for a 100% subsidy on most vanpool and vanshare programs. Note that the pass IS NOT VALID for travel on Washington State Ferries; a separate pass product must be added to the card for this service. To sign up for the pass, contact our HR representative, Laura Hogan. For more information on how to use the card and a list of Frequently Asked Questions, contact your ETC.

Community Transit
Everett Transit
Kitsap Transit
Metro Transit
Pierce Transit
Sound Transit
Link Light Rail
Sounder Commuter Rail
Seattle Lake Union Streetcar
King County Water Taxi
Kitsap County Foot Ferry

#### **Home Free Guarantee**

As part of the ORCA Business Passport, the Home Free Guarantee Program is offered to provide peace of mind to commuters. When an emergency arises, you can arrange to take a taxi from work to home or a Park-and-Ride while making interim stops (e.g. pharmacy, daycare). Qualified emergencies include family illness and unexpected overtime. To use the program, call Luisa Aguilar (extension 5200); she will arrange the taxi ride and give you an authorization number. Keep in mind the following limitations:

- Trips are reimbursable up to 60 miles
- Tipping the driver is YOUR responsibility
- Limited to 8 rides per employee per year

### Biking & Walking

Parsons Brinckerhoff encourages non-motorized transportation, a healthy and environmentally conscious way to get around. There is free bike parking on Level A in the parking garage, and you can also talk to the ETC to find out about access to the locked bicycle cage. Each floor of the office has a shower and lockers for your use as well. Remember that all Metro and Sound Transit buses are equipped with bike racks, so you can always get home if the weather turns nasty. If you don't feel like biking to work, but would like to bike to nearby meetings, we also have an office bike for employee use. You can also access an electronic version of the latest City of Seattle bike map at http://www.cityofseattle.net/transportation/bikemaps.htm. Contact the ETC to learn more!

Did you know that only **6%** of Parsons Brinckerhoff employees commute to work by driving alone?

Source: 2011 CTR Survey

### Rideshare

Are you interested in alternatives to drive alone commuting but don't know where to begin? Do you want to carpool or vanpool but don't know how to find a match? Go to <a href="http://www.rideshareonline.com/">http://www.rideshareonline.com/</a> to create an account and learn more about commuting options. You can also create a profile and be matched with potential carpool and vanpool buddies!

### **Green Corporate Travel**

Traveling for work? If you're headed to the airport from the office, please consider using the Link Light Rail to go to the airport – it's convenient, fast, and reliable! Get on board at any of the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel stations. If your travel location is nearby (e.g. Portland, OR; Vancouver, B.C.), please consider taking Amtrak instead of flying – it's often just as fast as flying once you consider the time for travel to the airport, arriving at least one hour early, and check-in.

### **Transit Links & Alerts**

See below for more information about commuting and transit contact information

### Real-Time Transit Information

One Bus Away http://www.onebusaway.org/

Do your part to reduce congestion and improve air quality remember, you don't have to do it every day, but every little bit helps!

### **General Commute Information**

- Cascade Bicycle Club 206.522.3222, http://www.cascade.org/
- Commute Seattle 206.613.3131, http://www.commuteseattle.com/
- Regional Public Information Network (RPIN) http://www.rpin.org/

### Transit Agencies (Information, Schedules, & Trip Planners)

- Community Transit 425.353.RIDE (7433), http://communitytransit.org/
- Everett Transit 425.257.7777, http://www.everettwa.org/transit/
- Kitsap Transit 360.373.2877, http://www.kitsaptransit.org/
- King County Ferry District 206.296.1020, http://www.kingcountyferries.org/
- King County Metro 206.553.3000, <a href="http://metro.kingcounty.gov/">http://metro.kingcounty.gov/</a>
- Pierce Transit 253.581.8000, http://www.piercetransit.org/
- Seattle Streetcar 206.553.3000, http://www.seattlestreetcar.org/
- Sound Transit 206.398.5000, http://www.soundtransit.org/
- Washington State Ferries 206.464.6400, http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/