



QUICK FACTS

There are a lot of ways to commute to, from and through Contra Costa County. 511 Contra Costa helps commuters find alternatives – such as carpooling, vanpooling, biking, transit, walking and telecommuting – to driving alone. The agency also helps employers implement commuter programs to reduce drive alone rates among employees.

Organization

511 Contra Costa provides services in the county's 20 jurisdictions under the direction of three transportation planning committees representing the west, southwest and east/central regions.

Funding

Funding for 511 Contra Costa programs is provided primarily by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA), as well as a ½ cent sales tax approved by voters in the County in 1988 and administered by the Contra Costa Transportation Authority. A portion of employer services is funded by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

Commuting at a Glance

Contra Costa County has the third lowest drive-alone rate in the Bay Area, and its residents are the second most likely to carpool in the region. The county has:

- 20% carpooling rate
- 19 Park & Ride lots
- 8 BART stations
- 17 express bus routes
- 243 miles of bike lanes
- 24 EPA-designated Best Workplaces for Commuters employers

Employer Involvement

511 Contra Costa provides transportation management programs and customized services at no charge to hundreds of employers throughout the county. Services include:

- Employee transportation surveys
- Commuter benefits
- Commute information packets & workshops
- Parking management programs
- Bicycle lockers, racks and maps
- Relocation assistance

Results

Through extensive outreach and incentives for commuters and employers, 511 Contra Costa contributes to a more sustainable quality of life in Contra Costa County. Agency programs aimed at reducing the number of single-occupant vehicles in 2006 resulted in:

- 1,672,139 trips reduced
- 24.85 tons of polluting emissions reduced
- 10,000 commuters used 511 Contra Costa services

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