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## Hamilton County commuters invited to learn about vanpools

Hamilton County residents who work in downtown Indianapolis are invited to a lunchand-learn session about vanpooling on May 12 at noon at the Julia M. Carson Transit Center, 201 E. Washington St.

"This is for everyone who's tired of a long commute and might be interested in saving money and sharing driving responsibilities with others," said Andrew McGee, assistant director for Commuter Connect, which is the rideshare service of CIRTA.

A vanpool is made up of 5 to 15 people who agree to travel to work together in a van provided for a fare by Commuter Connect. Everyone meets at a Park and Ride location, where they leave their vehicles during the work day. All passengers split evenly the van fare and fuel cost, and two or more of the vanpoolers volunteers to drive. Learn more at http://www.cirta.us/commuterconnect/vanpool/

Lunch-and-learn session attendees will receive a boxed lunch and information about the benefits of and process for vanpooling.

WHAT:	Lunch and learn about vanpooling
WHEN:	May 12, noon
WHERE:	Julia M. Carson Transit Center, 201 E. Washington St., Indianapolis
WHO:	Anyone who lives in Hamilton County and works in downtown
	Indianapolis is invited
COST:	The boxed lunch is free, but registration is required by May 10.
REGISTER:	Contact Heather White, vanpool coordinator: Email <u>hwhite@cirta.us</u> or
	call 317-500-2533

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