# Opace Commuter Guide



# Making the Most of Your Trip to Work

Smart commuters know that getting to work by driving alone may not be the most affordable or sustainable option. People are thinking about a better way, with more conveniences and a good use of time. Pace provides a variety of less expensive options that can save hundreds of dollars. Plan your trip at **PaceBus.com/Trip-Planner.** 

# **Pace Vanpool Service**

With the Pace Vanpool service, commuters who live near each other and share similar work hours can form a travel group that has a primary and backup driver and a few riders. Pace supplies the van and manages the program. Vanpoolers who volunteer to be the primary driver traveling with 3+ commuters participate at no cost. Rider's participation status is determined as full-time when utilizing the vanpool for 4 or more days per week and part-time for vanpooling 3 days or less per week. Monthly fares cover fuel, maintenance, insurance, tolls, roadside assistance and van washes. Part-time fares are 50% off the full-time fare. The larger the group, the bigger the savings!

Drivers can reduce car ownership, wear and tear on a personal vehicle and lower their personal auto insurance. Riders can enjoy a relaxing and reliable commute, connect with others, and use their travel time. A Guaranteed Ride Home is available for personal emergencies. Participants get up to \$125 per year for transportation.

Learn more about our Traditional and Feeder Vanpools, see if there is an existing group to join or find others to start a new group at **PaceVanpool.com.** 

### **Pace Fixed Route Bus System**

With fixed routes serving Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties, Pace provides fast and reliable bus service that could connect you to where you want to go. This service runs on set schedules along designated routes across 274 communities. Try our regular routes, Express, Bus on Shoulder and Pulse services. Find your route at **PaceBus.com.** 

### **Pace On Demand**

On Demand is a flexible bus service that operates within designated zones located throughout the suburbs. Riders book a trip online or call at least one hour (or up to 7 days) in advance and pay with Ventra, cash, contactless bankcard, or mobile wallet. Find out if your commute is within an On Demand zone or if the service could help with a portion of your commute at **PaceBus.com/OnDemand.** 

# Paying for Bus and On Demand

Commuters can choose to pay with exact cash or Ventra, the fare payment system for Pace, Metra and CTA buses and trains. Passes and transit value can be loaded through the app, online or use a contactless bankcard or Pay app for both iPhone and Android devices. Learn more about fares and passes at **PaceBus.com/Fares.** 

You can buy and register for a Ventra Card online or via phone at (877) NOW-VENTRA. Cards are also available throughout Chicagoland at vending machines and retailers listed at **VentraChicago.com**.