



Club Rideshare

June 2026 Newsletter



Lunch and Learn About Transit Benefits

The next Lunch and Learn is June 24, 12 to 1 p.m. Tune in to learn how what the County offers to make riding the bus or Metrolink a more affordable option—including how to take advantage of the new 25% OC Bus discount incentive.

Lunch and Learn virtual workshops are offered every other month by the Rideshare Office.

You can now pre-register to attend the Lunch and Learn by clicking [this link](#).

If you have questions, contact the Rideshare Office at 714.834.7600.



Get a Charge

Thinking about purchasing or leasing an electric vehicle or a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle? If you do, you may be eligible for a \$100 incentive through the Get a Charge

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6 Things that May Surprise You About the Guaranteed Ride Home Program

The County participates in the regional Guaranteed Ride Home (GRH) program. It's designed to take the worry out of ridesharing by reimbursing the cost of a ride via taxi, Uber/Lyft, Metrolink, Metro Rail or bus if you need to get home quickly.

Did you know...?

1. You can claim a reimbursement if you get sick as well as if you need to get home to a family member who is ill. GRH also applies if you miss your usual ride due to unexpected overtime or have a personal emergency. It does not, however, apply to natural disasters, such as earthquake or mudslides.



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2. With GRH, you won't be stranded at work if your carpool partner leaves early due to emergency/illness or works unexpected overtime. It will cover the cost of your ride home.
3. Pre-approval is not required. If you have a qualifying emergency, simply book your preferred ride and submit the **reimbursement form** and trip receipt within 60 days. You are welcome to call the Rideshare Office if you want to verify in advance whether your emergency qualifies.
4. You can claim up to two GRH rides per fiscal year. If you've used GRH for this fiscal year, your tally will automatically reset to zero as of July 1.
5. For taxi or Uber/Lyft, up to a 15% tip is covered. You are welcome to tip more at your own expense.



6. Even though the program is called *Guaranteed Ride Home*, it's not restricted only to rides home. If needed, you can book your ride to a personal vehicle (if parked at a Park & Ride lot or transit station), a medical facility, daycare or school. Interim stops are accepted if they are needed to reach the final emergency destination.

For a full list of rules and restrictions, visit hrs.oc.gov/rideshare.

When Will My Bus Get Here?

Stop wasting time waiting at the bus stop, wondering when your ride will arrive. OC Bus uses the Transit App, which uses real-time data to give you arrival times for your bus.

Download the free app, then follow the on-screen prompts to set up an account. As an OC Bus customer, you'll be upgraded for free to the premium version, Transit Royale.



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program. The incentive is open to County of Orange and Orange County Superior Court employees.

If you have any questions, contact the Rideshare Office at rideshare@ceo.oc.gov or 714.834.7600.

Weigh in on Proposed Metrolink Fare Increases

Metrolink will hold a public meeting on June 26 to discuss possible fare increases and service reductions that could go into effect as early as October. The agency has not raised fares in the last 13 years, even with rising costs and reduced funding.

The public hearing will be held both in-person at Metro's Los Angeles offices and **online**.

For details, visit metrolinktrains.com.

Congratulations Club Rideshare Winners

We'd like to extend a big "congrats" and thanks for ridesharing to the May winners of the Club Rideshare monthly prize drawing of \$25:

- Amy Nguyen, Health Care Agency
- Denise Hentschke, Superior Court
- Joanne Li, CEO Department

Have You Moved?

If your home address, work/home phone number or email has changed, please let the Rideshare Office know by sending an email to rideshare@ceo.oc.gov.



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