

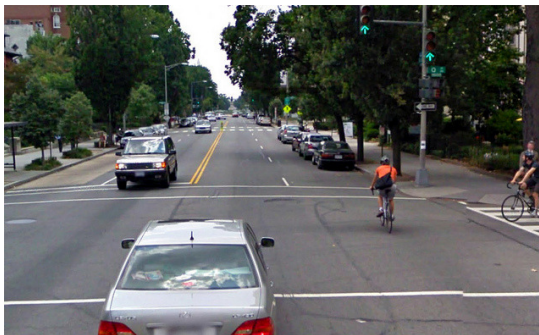


# "A Customer First Company" December 2016

## Welcome to the December 2016 Edition of "On the Move"

### Changes in DC Region Commute Over the Last Three Years

The results of the Council of Government's 2016 State of the Commute Survey, reported on four ways the DC region commute has changed over the past three years.



Source: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/beyonddc/6049591277>

This survey looked at regional commuting behaviors such as telecommuting and public transit, distance traveled, as well as commuter attitudes.

Results of the survey show four main changes including:

- Commuters drive alone less. The number of commuters driving alone dropped from 65.8 percent in 2013 to 61 percent in 2016.
- Commuters are teleworking and taking public transit at higher rates. The percentage of commuters working remotely or from home at least occasionally, increased by 27% from 2013. There was also an increase of commuters reported taking a train or bus to get to work.
- Commutes are getting longer. The average one-way commute distance increased from 16 to 17.3 miles and the average commute time increased from 36 to 39 minutes from 2013 to 2016.

- Metrorail riders are less satisfied with their commutes while bicyclists and walkers are more satisfied. Metrorail rider's satisfaction rate was down from 67 percent to 48 percent in 2016. This contrasts with commuters who walk or bike who were the most satisfied with their commutes. Walkers and cyclist had a satisfaction rate of 97 percent in 2016, growing from 93 percent in 2013.

Source: <http://www.commuterconnections.org/wp-content/uploads/Four-Ways-Commuting-in-the-DC-Region.pdf>

### Help your Co-Workers to Resolve to Change their Commute to Change their Life in 2017

As the new year approaches, many of us have some ideas about changes we would like to make to improve our quality of life. However, overhauling your commute might not be the first thing that comes to your coworker's minds. You already know the benefits of taking part in a vanpool. Why not resolve to share these benefits with those you meet at work. Here are some important points you can communicate about the positive impact vanpooling can make:

- Vanpooling helps you use your time more wisely. Time spent vanpooling reduces commute times.
- You can avoid stress. Your time commuting in a vanpool can be used for rest and relaxation.
- Vanpooling saves you money. Switching from driving alone to vanpooling can have an immediate impact on your budget.

The financial, health and life balance benefits make smarter commuting choices, like vanpooling, the perfect choice for a New Year's resolution.

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### Virginia Police Urge Drivers to Stop Using Cell Phones While Driving

Virginia State and Fairfax County police want to send the message out to drivers to put their phones down.



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Virginia State Police will issue citations to anyone they see texting while driving. In Fairfax County, more than 13,000 tickets have been issued for failing to pay full time and attention while driving. This includes the act of texting. This act alone can land a driver with a ticket starting at \$97.

Virginia Deputy Secretary of Transportation Grindly Johnson said that a leading cause of accidents in this region is distracted driving caused by using cell phones. Johnson along with Transurban and local police continue to urge people to put the phone away while driving.

In Washington, D.C. a three-strikes bill came up for vote in October that would result in drivers losing their licenses for a period of time. In addition, drivers would be issued a \$200 fine if they are caught using a handheld device or texting three times in 18 months.

Research by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety found that more than two in three drivers report talking on their cellphones while driving in the past month. In addition, one in three drivers admits to typing or sending a text message or email while driving in the past month. According to AAA

Mid-Atlantic, distracted driving can be deadly and is the cause of 16 percent of fatal crashes.

Source: <http://wtop.com/virginia/2016/12/va-police-want-drivers-put-phone-away/>

### K&K Connection December Birthdays

We would like to wish everyone born in December a very special HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Keith Trent  
 Tira Alston  
 Kineka Berry  
 Wayne Brown  
 Randy Davis  
 Betinna Fields  
 Antoinette Gregg  
 Eric Hines  
 Earl James  
 Michael Jarrells  
 Robert Johnson  
 Ditu Kasuyi  
 Melissa Marx  
 Ellen Pittenger  
 Jastar Singh  
 Wilhelmina Wadley  
 Cosmos Williamson

Shawn Wade  
 Stephanie Bellanger  
 Curtis Brandon, Jr.  
 Carmen Daugherty  
 Roy Evans  
 Joyce Gouge  
 Mark Hammon  
 Tina House  
 Cory Jamison  
 Margaret Johnson  
 Amy Jones  
 Wally Lumpkins  
 Tia Murphy  
 Martin Sanchez  
 Donnie Via, Jr.  
 David Wernli

### Welcome to K&K Connections

We would like to say a BIG welcome to all our new riders. We are so privileged that you have decided to make K&K your vanpool company of choice.

### Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays



At K&K we pray that you have enjoyed the holiday season. We pray many blessings over you and your family as we look forward to 2017. We thank you for continuing to choose K&K.