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## **Enterprise Announces Vanpooling in Southwest Florida with Commute**

**ST. LOUIS** (MAY 18, 2021) – Commute with Enterprise has partnered with the Florida Department of Transportation's mobility program in southwest Florida to provide commuters with a new service: vanpooling. Commute Connector is a program focused on improving shared mobility in southwestern Florida.

Workers who share a similar commute and schedule can create a vanpool of five or more people. Each rider pays a set fee per month, which covers all costs including gas, insurance and repairs.

The new vanpooling service enhances regional transportation options for workers living in the following counties: Charlotte, Collier, De Soto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Lee, Manatee, Okeechobee, Polk, and Sarasota.

From manufacturing and construction to food production, healthcare and hospitality, these employees keep critical operations and services running. As more employees begin returning to offices, vanpooling offers greater control than other shared transportation options without sacrificing cost-savings.

Participants can choose a qualifying vanpool vehicle from a selection of makes and models that includes crossovers, SUVs, minivans and large passenger vans. Vanpoolers have access to Enterprise's Guaranteed Ride Home program, which ensures they can leave work at unscheduled times worry-free.

Commute with Enterprise helps segment employees into groups, based on where they live and the shifts they work. Commute with Enterprise also provides 24-hour roadside assistance, liability insurance, and scheduled maintenance. As part of the Enterprise's Complete Clean Pledge, Commute with Enterprise provides best practices for cleaning and Complete Clean Starter Kits for new Commutes.

Commuters interested in joining the Commute Connector program may call 866-585-RIDE or download the <u>app</u> to find vanpool options. Program participants can earn rewards by tracking their trips through the app.