

We Make It Our Business to Connect Communities

Every day people in the Triad need to get to work, make appointments and access the many opportunities that each city individually and uniquely offers our citizens.

PART not only helps keep our communities connected, but we also play an important role in keeping 'a sense of adventure' going! Each of the cities in our 10-county network have wonderful and special features to enjoy. PART can make connecting easy and affordable.

As part of our new *Explore with Express* series, each month we will focus on different PART routes and share something interesting and fun about the communities these routes connect! This month's focus will be on our Route 1 Winston-Salem Express. The historic and beautiful City of Winston-Salem features many wonderful areas to explore that can be taken advantage of by using the PART system. Visitors can participate in Winston-Salem's *Cityside Treks*, a fun way to stroll the city utilizing the urban park trails and greenway system. PART's Route 1 makes getting to the downtown area easy for visitors interested in walking or biking adventures throughout the city.

Our buses are climate controlled, bike friendly, handicap accessible, have high back reclining seats and high ceilings. So ... sit back and enjoy the ride as you get out and enjoy what our neighboring communities have to offer.

Go to visitwinstonsalem.com to find your next adventure and utilize PART's Trip Planner at partnc.org/triplanner, to make it an easy to get to adventure.



On The Go ... With Umo

As we travel into 2022, PART's TouchPass is not only changing the name, but adding new and exciting features, starting with the mobile app. We encourage you to download the new Umo Mobility App today. There are so many new features we don't want you to miss out! To get the new App visit the Apple Store or Google Play Store. The Umo Mobility App will keep PART riders moving efficiently by offering multi-modal journey planning, contactless payments and real-time travel information.

Umo is a simple and easy way for our customers to ride. There are two options, download the app on a smartphone, load funds directly through the app to your account and scan your QR code to pay when boarding. Or purchase a Umo Smartcard, load funds to the card and scan your card when boarding. If you use the Umo app, you will also be able to load passes and Umo cash for Greensboro Transit Agency (GTA) and High Point Transit System (HPTS).

Visit partnc.org/umo, contact our PART Call Center at 336-883-7278 or email umo@partnc.org for more information. Be sure to fully register your Umo account and ... we will load a free ride. **The TouchPass system will soon be gone ... so make the switch TODAY!**





No Need to Ride Alone!

With current concerns about our individual and collective impact on the environment, coupled with the fact that everyone likes to save money, community members often search for readily available, sustainable and relaxing transportation alternatives. That is where Vanpooling with PART can help.

The PART Vanpool Program provides eligible groups of five or more commuters with a 7 or 15 passenger van to use to commute to and from work. A month-to-month lease includes the vehicle, insurance, maintenance and gas.

At-A-Glance:

- Most economical for groups traveling 15+ miles one way to work.
- Monthly fares are based on the average daily round-trip miles the van travels each day.
- Monthly cost is divided among the riders. The more riders, the lower the cost!
- At least two members of the group need to qualify to be the primary driver and back-up driver.
- Most vans meet at a central location like a Park & Ride lot.

Not only are there personal benefits to participating in PART's Vanpool Program, but there are also positive environmental impacts associated with this form of ride sharing, such as reducing our carbon footprint and less traffic congestion.

For more information about our Vanpool Program go to partnc.org/vanpool.

Sharing Has Never Been So Easy

PART participates in a unique statewide rideshare system, known as Share the Ride NC (STRNC). This is a web-based tool that helps people quickly and securely find others to "share the ride" anywhere in North Carolina. Participants can utilize this innovative tool for daily commuting, single trips to local businesses, a ride to the airport, or to visit friends and family out of town. Whether you are offering to drive, or need a ride, sharing miles and expenses is a win for everyone.

Share the Ride NC is simple to use. An interested participant simply creates an account. We recommend you plan-ahead by setting up your profile before you need to connect. Once you are registered, you can check for matches. If a match doesn't come up right away ... you may find the perfect match the next time you check in. The more participants in the pool, the more options with similar schedules and destinations become available to match.

Your address and personal information will never be shared with others. Participants sign-up by using their email address, create a trip profile and then receive a list of potential trip partners. It is up to you to choose who to contact. You will communicate with your matches directly through your STRNC profile. There are no obligations or requirements, only opportunities to share the ride, save money, and reduce your carbon footprint.



TRANSIT

The average walk to and from most bus stops is less than 25 minutes



BIKE/WALK

Using mixed modes of transportation, like biking, reduces the walk to an average of 8 minutes

source: U.S. National Household Travel Survey