

# The goals of Transit Solutions™ are to:



- ▶ Improve the air quality on Long Island.
- ▶ Increase ALL forms of transit ridership on Long Island by clearly communicating all of the transit options available to workers and residents.
- ▶ Help to educate Long Island employers and workers about the pre-tax commuter benefit and the programs available for them to save money.
- ▶ Increase awareness of transit fare options, including convenient mail and Internet purchasing options.
- ▶ Research areas where demand for expanded transit services exists in order to serve Long Island residents and businesses better.



It's easy.  
Call TRANSIT SOLUTIONS™ at  
**516.242.8121**  
to set up a presentation on the benefits  
of transit and how your company can offer  
the pre-tax commuter benefit.

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for more information!



▶ **Good for the environment.**  
**Good for your company.**



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Encourage your employees to use transit.

# Breathe easier

by reducing air pollution and saving money on your taxes.

Since the TRANSIT SOLUTIONS™ program began, the following employers on Long Island have implemented the pre-tax commuter benefit program.



You and your company can have a positive impact on the quality of life on Long Island!

Encouraging your employees to use transit is a great sustainability initiative. **Currently, Americans use more energy for transportation than any other activity including industrial and commercial use.** In fact, as much energy is often used by employees getting to work than they consume at work!

Companies like yours that encourage the use of transit help conserve energy, reduce pollution and greenhouse gases, decrease traffic congestion, and increase employee productivity. Plus, with unpredictable gas prices, using transit makes sense!

According to the most recent census, almost 70% of Nassau County residents and 80% of Suffolk County residents drive to work alone.



There are many transit options available to those who work on Long Island:

- COMMUTER RAIL
- PUBLIC BUS LINES
- PRIVATE BUS LINES
- VANPOOL SERVICES



## SAMPLE EMPLOYEE SAVINGS WITH PRE-TAX COMMUTER BENEFITS

Monthly commuter expenses	\$125
Annual salary	\$40,000
Monthly Costs without pre-tax deduction	\$125
Monthly Costs with pre-tax deduction	\$75
Employees could net annual savings	\$600*

## SAMPLE PAYROLL TAX SAVINGS WITH PRE-TAX COMMUTER BENEFITS

Number of employees	250
% employees using mass transit	15%
Company's Annual Payroll Tax Savings	\$4,245**

\* Calculated using 2010 FICA tax rates.

\*\* Calculation assumes all employees utilizing maximum pre-tax deductions allowed for commuter benefits, \$125/month for transit, and earn less than \$94,200 annually and therefore subject to 7.65% FICA taxes. Actual savings may vary. Consult your tax advisor.

No matter which option your employees choose, **offering them a pre-tax commuter benefit can save them up to 40% annually in commuting costs while also saving your company thousands of dollars each year in payroll taxes.** And there is no net cost to offer the benefit because the small administrative charge is more than covered by your payroll tax savings.

Pre-tax commuter benefit programs are more than just good for your company's and employees' finances. In addition to reducing traffic, parking problems, stress and pollution, by encouraging employees to use transit to get to work, you'll know that your company is doing its part in the fight against pollution and climate change.

All you have to do is enroll your company in a pre-tax commuter benefit program offered by **TransitChek, WageWorks, CommuterCheck, TotalBen, WiredCommute, Swipe-N-Save** or other provider. To learn more about these options, visit

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