

# Commuter Guide

## Fixed Route Bus System

With more than 240 fixed routes serving Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will counties, Pace provides fast and reliable service that can connect you to employers located near our bus routes and companies near CTA or Metra service.

### Find Your Connection to Work

You can create a map, plan a trip and view bus schedules on the internet at [PaceBus.com](http://PaceBus.com). For live trip planning assistance, call the RTA Travel Line at (312) 836-7000.

With [Pace WebRoute](http://Pace WebRoute), you can find out which bus routes are near an employer. Click the "continue" button on the WebRoute web page to access an interactive mapping program that allows you to navigate, control and create a personalized map.

Using the interactive tools in the left and right columns, you can zoom into areas of interest, view bus and rail options, identify bus routes, measure distances between destinations and even retrieve bus route maps and schedules. After your custom map is created, you can print it as a handy reference.

### Ventra - The New Way to Pay for Transit

Pace's new payment system, [Ventra](http://Ventra), allows customers to use a single fare card to access regional transit. Customers pay for Pace and CTA fixed route bus and CTA train rides with the following payment methods:

- Ventra Card
- Ventra Tickets, for single-ride and 1-day passes\*
- Personal bank-issued credit or debit cards (if they contain a contactless chip)

Riders can buy and register Ventra Cards online at [ventrachicago.com](http://ventrachicago.com) or via phone at (877) NOW-VENTRA. Ventra Cards are also available at Ventra retailers and vending machines throughout Chicagoland. For a list of retail locations, visit [ventrachicago.com](http://ventrachicago.com).



## Pace RideShare

Ridesharing can reduce your commuting cost by up to 50% over driving your personal car to work everyday. Carpooling and vanpooling have become popular ways to reduce commuter costs, help the environment, reduce wear-and-tear on personal automobiles, and reduce parking costs. Carpooling or vanpooling may also qualify you for a discount on your auto insurance (depending on your policy).

### Pace Carpooling

For those who are interested in carpooling, Pace offers a free, easy and convenient matching service at [PaceRideShare.com](http://PaceRideShare.com). This website gives you the ability to identify potential carpool partners quickly and securely.

### Pace Vanpooling

Pace offers a money-saving [vanpool program](http://vanpool program) that enables 5 or more employees to commute to work together. Pace supplies the vehicle and covers all costs including fuel, maintenance, insurance, tolls, roadside assistance and van washes. Riders pay a low monthly fare, while drivers ride free and get personal use of the van.

To learn more about joining or starting a vanpool, visit [PaceRideShare.com](http://PaceRideShare.com) or call 847-5-WE-POOL.

\*Please note that single rides and one day passes are only valid on the service listed on the card. They cannot be used on both Pace and CTA service at this time.