

Tensu Goush
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Vanpooler



Tensu Goush recently initiated Genie Industries first night shift vanpool. After 5 months of talking to all her co-workers, Tensu was able to fill the 11-person van and find someone willing to be the primary driver. “The hardest part was getting someone to agree to be the primary driver,” she says.

She says the biggest reservation that people have had about joining a vanpool is the idea of waiting for all the riders to be finished with work. They don’t want to have to wait on anyone else. And yet, Tensu estimates that she saves 1 hour and 15 minutes every day in commute time despite sometimes having to wait a few minutes for co-workers.

Tensu says the one van is good for everyone. The riders get a premium parking spot near the front door of their building, other employees have 11 additional parking spots available, and it’s a lot less boring than driving to work alone she says.

Tensu’s perseverance and leadership have had an impact beyond the one vanpool that she brought together. The success after van in the first few months has led to increased interest among her co-workers. “Everyone wants to do it now,” she says. In the 3 months that Tensu’s van has been on the road, three additional vans have started to come together to bring Genie Industries night shift employees to work.

Tensu had the determination to work 5 months to put together her vanpool, and her success has paved the way for others, and that’s why Tensu Goush is one of this year’s Commute Champions!