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## **Ride Transit and Earn Toll Credits**

*Earn up to \$60 in Peach Pass toll credits for riding transit*

ATLANTA – The State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) today launched a new Ride Transit-Earn Toll Credits pilot program, in partnership with the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) and Gwinnett County Transit (GCT). By trying transit, I-85 commuters in northeast Metro Atlanta can earn \$2 in toll credits per transit trip, up to \$10 per month, earning a maximum of \$60 over a 6-month period. To participate in the pilot, commuters must have a Peach Pass tied to a personal toll account and an *Xpress* Pass or a MARTA Breeze card and visit the Peach Pass website to sign up.

“With more commuters using the I-85 Express Lanes every day, we are providing even more reasons for our customers to give transit a try and reduce the number of cars on I-85 during peak rush hour periods,” said SRTA and GRTA Executive Director Christopher Tomlinson. “By letting someone else do the driving, commuters can save money, put less wear-and-tear on their personal vehicles and relax, study or get some work done ahead of schedule.”

There are eight eligible express commuter transit routes that travel the I-85 Express Lanes:

### Eligible Xpress routes:

- 410 Sugarloaf Mills to Lindbergh MARTA Station
- 411 Hamilton Mill/Mall of Georgia to Midtown
- 412 Sugarloaf Mills to Midtown
- 413 Hamilton Mill to Downtown Atlanta
- 416 Dacula to Downtown Atlanta

### Eligible Gwinnett County Transit routes:

- GCT 101 I-985/SR 20 Park and Ride to Downtown Atlanta
- GCT 102 I-85 Indian Trail Park and Ride to Downtown Atlanta
- GCT 103 I-85/Sugarloaf Mills Park and Ride to downtown Atlanta (Zone 2)

To be eligible, an *Xpress* pass or Breeze card must be used for fare payment on these routes. Those using the GCT routes can pay using a Breeze card to participate in the program.

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By riding transit, commuters are given the chance to kick back, relax and let someone else do the driving – all while earning toll credits! Peach Pass customers with a Pay n GO! Peach Pass must convert to a *personal toll account* to be eligible to participate in the pilot program.

The Ride Transit-Earn Toll Credits pilot project is one of three new pilot programs initiated by SRTA and GRTA to help offset the higher costs of tolls driven by continued high usage of the I-85 Express Lanes. In addition to this new transit pilot, SRTA has also reached out to hundreds of frequent rush hour, I-85 Express Lanes users and offered toll credits for shifting their commute either earlier or later in the peak period. Later this spring, SRTA will announce a partnership with Georgia Commute Options to provide additional incentives to new carpoolers in the I-85 corridor.

If you have any questions about how to join this pilot project, please call the Peach Pass Customer Service Center at 1-855-PCH-PASS (724-7277) or email [commutercredits@peachpass.com](mailto:commutercredits@peachpass.com). Also, for more information on this pilot program, visit our website at <http://www.peachpass.com/transit-toll-credits>.

#### **About SRTA and Peach Pass**

The State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) is a state-level, independent Authority created by the Georgia General Assembly to operate tolled transportation facilities within the State and act as Georgia's transportation financing arm. SRTA currently operates the I-85 Express Lanes in Gwinnett and DeKalb counties. The Peach Pass is a small, thin electronic toll collection device that adheres to a vehicle windshield. The Peach Pass is electronically linked to an account established with SRTA that automatically deducts the proper tolls when using the I-85 Express Lanes or any future tolling facilities in the state of Georgia. Visit [www.PeachPass.com](http://www.PeachPass.com) to learn more.

#### **About GRTA**

The Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) addresses mobility and air quality in metro Atlanta and serves as the Governor's voice for strategic direction in transportation planning for Georgia's most populous region. As part of its mission, GRTA operates the *Xpress* commuter coach service, whose 33 routes provides more than 2 million reliable commutes to Georgians throughout metro Atlanta each year. *Xpress* saves commuters more than \$125 million annually through reduced congestion costs, a more than 4-to-1 return on investment. Visit [www.XpressGa.com](http://www.XpressGa.com) to learn more.

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