

Commuter Benefits

How does a commuter account work?

A commuter account allows you to set aside pre-tax dollars for expenses associated with your daily commute to work.

There are two types of commuter accounts: mass transit and parking. You can have the option to enroll in one or both accounts. You choose a monthly election amount, up to \$315 for mass transit expenses and \$315 for parking expenses. The money is placed in your account via payroll deduction and then used to pay for eligible commuting expenses.

Why should I enroll in a commuter account?

If you take public transportation to work or pay for parking, you'll want to take advantage of the savings these plans offer. Money contributed to a commuter account is free from federal and state taxes and remains tax-free when it is spent on eligible expenses. On average, participants enjoy a 30% tax savings on their annual contribution. This means you could be saving up to \$1,008 per year on commuter expenses.

How do I use my commuter account to pay for mass transit and parking expenses?

You can use your NueSynergy Debit Card to pay for commuting expenses, or vouchers can be used to pay for transit tickets, passes, or to pay parking vendors.

Online & mobile access

Get instant access to your account with the **NueSynergy Mobile App** or by going online to **www.MyKansasCDH.com**

- View your account balance and transaction history
- Upload and store receipts
- View important alerts and communications
- Sign up for text message alerts

What qualifies?

Commuter funds can cover costs for:

- Bus, ferry, train, subway tickets
- Van-pooling with a seating capacity of 7 or more passengers
- Parking expenses, including parking at or near your place of work or at the location from which you take transportation to get to work

What doesn't qualify?

Certain expenses are not eligible, for instance:

- Tolls
- Taxis
- Gas/fuel
- Mileage

A comprehensive list of eligible expenses can be found at MyKansasCDH.com

Helpful hints

- You must have funds in your commuter account before you can spend them.
- You can change your election amount or terminate plan participation at any time. Save your receipts when you spend your commuter account dollars. You may need itemized invoices to verify the eligibility of expenses.
- The easiest way to manage your account is online at www.mykansascdh.com or through the NueSynergy app.
- Any unused funds that remain in your account at the end of the year will be carried over into the next plan year, if you continue to participate in the plan.