

FOSTER VINCENT D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FOSTER VINCENT D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1300 POST OAK BLVD., STE. 800  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/08/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/08/2011		M	24,000 D	\$ 4.465 185,450	D	
Common Stock	11/08/2011		F	18,398 (1) D	\$ 5.8247 167,052	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8.
Options	\$ 4.5	11/08/2011		M	6,000	05/07/2002 05/07/2012	Common	6,000
Options	\$ 3.6	11/08/2011		M	6,000	05/13/2003 05/18/2013	Common	6,000
Options	\$ 4.95	11/08/2011		M	6,000	05/18/2004 05/18/2014	Common	6,000
Options	\$ 4.81	11/08/2011		M	6,000	05/25/2006 05/25/2016	Common	6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FOSTER VINCENT D 1300 POST OAK BLVD., STE. 800 HOUSTON, TX 77056		X		

## Signatures

/S/Vincent D.  
Foster

11/10/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents 18,398 shares withheld on November 8, 2011 to cover the payment of the exercise price associated with the exercise of the options previously granted to the Reporting Person under the Carriage Services Director Stock Incentive Plan.

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