

# **Transportation – Allegheny County**

## ***Compliments of Senior Living Advisors***

### **Western Pennsylvania Resource Guide**

We are a free service to help families choose an appropriate Independent Living apartment with services, Personal Care Home, or Assisted Living community for their loved one that matches the medical needs, financial capabilities, and geographic preferences.

With the family's permission, we will assess the candidate at home, at the skilled rehab unit, or at the hospital. After obtaining an accurate report to determine the scope of care the individual requires, we make appropriate recommendations of communities that fit the parameters of medical, financial, and geographic needs.

Senior Living Advisors will accompany the family and prospective resident on tours to help them through the process. Our skilled representatives will always make recommendations as if it were pertaining to our own Mom, Dad, or other loved one. We answer seven days a week.

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# Transportation Options- Allegheny County

## **OPT Older Persons Transportation (Coordinated by ACCESS)**

- Sponsorship: DHS AAA with Lottery Funding
- Eligibility: Age 60 or older; Allegheny County resident; not living in nursing home
- Application: At any DHS/AAA senior center, by in-home visit, if needed; by care manager (for care mgmt consumers); proof of age and health insurance card required
- Hours of Operation: Mon.-Sun., 6AM-11PM
- Reservations: One working day in advance, between 8AM AND 3PM
- Trip Limits: Age 60-64 requires authorization for medical trips. Age 65 and older—four, one-way medical trips per month; care mgmt., as needed; grocery shopping with minimum ridership; adult day services, as prescribed bb Care Plan; senior center, daily o
- Fare Payment: No tickets-Fare is paid through the use of an electronic purse (E-Purse)
- Minimum Fares/Escort Policy: Grocery shopping or senior center trips: \$1 each way. Medical trips: Age 60 to 64, \$5 each way; age 65 and older, \$2 each way. Escort rides free. Non-medical escorts require AAA preauthorization.
- Phone Numbers: (412) 562-5385 (OPT) 412-350-4076

## **ACCESS/ADA Americans with Disabilities Act Sponsorship**

- Sponsorship: Port Authority of Allegheny County
- Eligibility: Functional disability requiring in-person interview and evaluation
- Application: Through ACCESS office (650 Smithfield St)
- Hours of Operation: Mon.-Sun., 6AM-midnight
- Reservations: One working day in advance, between 7AM AND 3:30PM
- Trip Limits: No trip purpose restrictions
- Fare Payment: No tickets-Fare is paid through the use of an electronic purse (E-Purse)
- Minimum Fares/Escort Policy: Minimum one way fare: \$3.15
- Maximum one way fare: \$5.25. If required, personal assistance rides free. Companion-Same fare as eligible rider
- Phone Numbers: (412) 562-5353 PA Relay- (800) 654-5984

## **ACCESS Connections Program**

- Sponsorship: Port Authority of Allegheny County
- Eligibility: Anyone with a disability without bus service in their area.
- Application: Short application available by mail
- Hours of Operation: Mon.-Sun., 6AM-11PM
- Reservations: One working day in advance, between 8AM-3PM
- Trip Limits: No trip purpose restrictions Provides either a ride to a nearby bus stop, or a direct ACCESS trip

- Fare Payment: No tickets-Fare is paid through the use of an electronic purse (E-Purse)
- Minimum Fares/Escort Policy: Ride to a bus stop: \$2.50 one way. Direct trip from home to destination minimum one way: \$4; maximum \$10.50
- Phone Numbers: (412) 562-5353 PA Relay- (800) 654-5984

#### **ACCESS 65 Plus**

- Sponsorship: Port Authority of Allegheny County with PA Lottery Funding
- Eligibility: Age 65 or older; resident of Pennsylvania
- Application: At DHS/AAA senior centers, legislative offices, other community locations and ACCESS office (650 Smithfield Street); proof of age required
- Hours of Operation: Mon.-Sun., 6AM-midnight
- Reservations: Two working days in advance between 8:30 and 3:00, Mon-Fri
- Trip Limits: None; any number of trips for any purpose anytime within hours of operation
- Fare Payment: Electronic Purse (E-Purse), by mail, in person or online deposit
- Minimum Fares/Escort Policy: Minimum one way fare: \$3.15 Maximum one way fare: \$5.25 Escort Fare- \$2.50 one way. Call ACCESS for fares to Airport and outside of Allegheny County.
- Phone Numbers: 412) 562-5353 PA Relay- (800) 654-5984

#### **MATP Medical Assistance Transportation Program**

- Sponsorship: Allegheny County DHS Office of Community Services
- Eligibility: Current Medical Assistance recipient
- Application: By phone or in-person at MATP office, One Smithfield St.
- Hours of Operation: Mon.-Sun., 6AM-10PM
- Reservations: Two working days in advance between 8:30 and 3:00, Mon-Fri
- Trip Limits: For medical (physical and behavioral health) services only; no emergency or ambulance service; children under age 12 must be accompanied by parent or responsible adult
- Fare Payment: Free; rider provided with bus tickets, ACCESS transport, and reimbursement for transportation
- Minimum Fares/Escort Policy: Free Escort--Free but must be authorized by MATP
- Phone Numbers: 1 (888) 547-6287

**American Cancer Society Transportation Assistance**

(800) 227-2345

ACS's transportation grants program gives relief to thousands of cancer patients each year by providing funds to social service departments of qualifying facilities that provide cancer treatment. The funds are used to assist cancer patients with recurring transportation needs when no other assistance is available. The patient must be ambulatory. Please provide three to five day's notice of your transportation needs. ACS's Road to Recovery program pairs up cancer patients with local volunteers who drive them to their treatment appointments. To learn more, call the phone number above.

**American Kidney Fund**

(800) 795-3226

[www.kidneyfund.org](http://www.kidneyfund.org)

As part of AKF's Safety Net Program, grants are offered to needy dialysis and kidney transplant patients for treatment- specific expenses, such as transportation to reach dialysis.

**Elder Express**

(412) 697-3517

A program of Agewell Pittsburgh, this service includes regularly scheduled van service for seniors from certain apartment complexes in Squirrel Hill to select locations throughout Squirrel Hill. Ride all day between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. for \$3. You must be registered with ACCESS to use this service.

**Rides for Seniors/Faith in Action**

(412) 449-0151

To request a ride: (412) 782-2001

Operated by North Hills Community Outreach in a partnership with the St. Margaret Foundation, the volunteer-driven 11-passenger bus runs weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4.p.m. along Freeport Road between Blawnox and Sharpsburg. Faith in Action matches volunteers with seniors to provide transportation for medical appointments and grocery shopping. Must be age 60 or older. To request a ride, call after 9:45 a.m. on the day you need a ride.

**Port Authority Transit (PAT)**

534 Smithfield St. at Mellon Square

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

(412) 442-2000

[www.portauthority.org](http://www.portauthority.org)

Seniors age 65 and older presenting a Commonwealth of PA Senior Citizen Identification card (blue for men, yellow for women) or a Medicare card at the time of fare payment can ride the Port Authority service for free at all times. When registering for a Senior Citizen Transit Card, you must show proof of age (birth certificate or driver's license). There is a simple form to complete and your transit pass will be mailed directly to your home. Show this pass to your driver each time you ride. This program is made possible by the Pennsylvania Lottery.

**Agewell Rides – Allegheny County**

(412) 422-0400

Volunteer transportation program for Squirrel Hill, Oakland and Shadyside. Call for details on how to enroll.

**American Cancer Society Road to Recovery Allegheny County**

320 Bilmar Drive

Pittsburgh, PA 15205

(888) 227-5445 ext. 1

**Free Rides for Seniors – North Hills Community Outreach**

1975 Fegurson Road

Allison Park, PA 15101

Shuttles transport seniors to the grocery store, doctor's offices, pharmacies, UPMC St. Margaret's, to visit friends etc. It operates in the corridor from Sharpsburg to Tarentum and Route 28 to the Allegheny River. Call for details.

**Handicap Parking – PA Department of Transportation**

(800) 932-4600

**Heritage Community Transportation**

820 Braddock Avenue

Braddock, PA 15104

(412)351-0535

**In Service of Seniors – Allegheny County**

6401 Penn Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15206

(412) 345-7420

**In Service of Seniors – North Hills Community Outreach**

(412) 307-0069

Volunteers are matched with those in need to offer transportation to and from Doctor's appointments, therapy visits, hair salon, grocery shopping, friendly visits, home safety checks, light yardwork and snow shoveling.

**Jefferson Regional Medical Center for Senior Services**

565 Coal Valley Road

Jefferson Hills, PA 15025

(412) 469-7099

**Mount Lebanon Village – Allegheny County**

(412) 343-4054

Volunteer organization that provides transportation for doctor's visits, hairdresser appointments, grocery shopping, errands and all Mt. Lebanon Village scheduled activities.

**National Center on Senior Transportation**

(866)528-6278

**Ross Township Senior Shuttle**

(412) 931-7041

Grocery shuttle is offered to Ross Twp. Residents. The shuttle is available on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday of each week depending on where you live. It stops at McIntyre Square and North Hills Village Mall on alternating weeks.

**Shared-Ride Program**

Commonwealth Keystone Building

P.O. Box 3151

Harrisburg, PA 17105

(717) 783-8025

**Travelers Aid of Pittsburgh**

343 Blvd. of the Allies

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

(412) 281-5474

Participates with Family Services of Western PA, North Hills Community Outreach, IPMC Senior Services and YMCA to provide transportation to seniors, caregivers and volunteers at no cost to the program participants.

**Senior Safe Driving Programs****AARP Driver Safety Program**

(888) 227-7669

[www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org)

The AARP Driver Safety Program is the nation's first and largest classroom refresher course for drivers ages 50 and older. The eight-hour course is designed to help update driving skills and knowledge of the rules of the road, learn about normal age-related physical changes and how they can impact driving, and obtain an insurance discount. TO learn more and to locate classes in your area, visit the above website and type "Driver Safety Program" in the search box.

**Seniors for Safe Driving**

(724) 283-0245

This driver improvement program is designed specifically for seniors. It allows drivers a chance to refresh their driving techniques, develop positive driving attitudes, and regain lost confidence. There is no written exam or behind-the-wheel test. A normal tuition fee is charged. Call for class locations, dates, and times. You can also register for a class online at the above website.

# Private Transportation

## **DART**

(724) 728-4255 or (724) 375-2895

Provides transportation for senior citizens to any point in **Beaver County** that is not listed on normal bus routes. Reservations must be made before 1:00 P.M. the previous business day, and all trips are by advance reservation only. Fees vary by length and type of trip; however, for senior citizens age 65 and older, 85% of the fare is refunded.

## **AAA Medical Escorts**

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We operate our business 24 hours a day 7 days a week and can be reached by phone toll free at 1-800-476-8953 or 772-873-2592. Email us at [jolsen@aaamedicalescorts.com](mailto:jolsen@aaamedicalescorts.com) or [dolsen@aaamedicalescorts.com](mailto:dolsen@aaamedicalescorts.com). To help expedite a quote please provide the following patient information:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Height and weight
- Reason for transport
- Date and location of transport
- Contact Information of the individual scheduling the transport

We will work up a quote and contact you in a timely manner to go over all detail of the quote and transport. We will discuss any concerns you have and any additional needs that may be necessary for the transportation of the patient.

Anytime, Anyplace, Anywhere

## **Allegheny Medical Transport**

503 Millers Run Rd  
Morgan, Pennsylvania  
(412) 848-0114  
[m.me/alleghenymedicaltransport](http://m.me/alleghenymedicaltransport)

Providing quality healthcare and medical transportation for the residents of Western Pennsylvania.

**Sierra Transportation**

3327 W Carson St  
Pittsburgh, PA 15204  
(412) 331-0202

Sierra Transportation, LLC's mission is to provide high quality, friendly, safe, and timely disability transportation services. Our goal is to eliminate the mobility problems and barriers that are affecting the elderly and people with disabilities in Allegheny county and borders of Pennsylvania.

**Eastern Area Pre-Hospital Services**

172 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Turtle Creek, PA 15145  
(412) 829-8155

**Guardian Angel Ambulance Services**

West Mifflin, PA 15122  
(412) 462-1400

**McCandless Franklin Park Ambulance Authority**

9925 Grubbs Road  
Wexford, PA 15090  
(4132) 367-5883

**Lewis Ambulance Service**

315 Preston Ave.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15214  
(412) 231-0839

**Lifestat Ambulance Services, Inc.**

7419 Washington Ave.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15218  
(412) 636-9614

**Valley Ambulance Authority**

3550 University Blvd.  
Moon Township, PA 15108  
(412) 262-2621



**Steel Valley Ambulance**

325 e. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Homestead, PA 15120

(412) 461-4195

**Lower Valley Ambulance Service**

1331 Freeport Rd., Suite 208

Cheswick, PA 15024

(724) 274-4155