

# **Transportation – Westmoreland 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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# Westmoreland County Agency on Aging - Transport

## Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP)

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### Eligibility

Westmoreland County residents with a valid Medical Assistance card. MATP is coordinated by Westmoreland Transit and funded by the PA Department of Human Services. Transportation is free to medical appointments, the pharmacy, and other MA-billable service destinations. To register and to schedule trips phone 1(800) 242-2706 or (724) 832-2706. Trips must be scheduled by 2:00PM two working days in advance. Rides are provided by bus, taxi, or wheelchair accessible van, depending on rider mobility. Mileage reimbursement may also be available.

### Priority Transportation

Eligibility: Westmoreland County Residents age 65 and older.

The Priority Transportation Program is sponsored by the Westmoreland County Area Agency on Aging (AAA), and funded by the PA Dept. of Aging and Westmoreland County Board of Commissioners. Transportation is provided through, and in conjunction with, Westmoreland Transit's Shared-Ride program.

Priority Transportation complements the Shared-Ride program by helping to provide a total of a 95% discount for five types of "priority" destinations.

#### PRIORITY DESTINATIONS:

1. Medical Appointments not eligible for MATP transportation.
2. Your local Senior Center in Westmoreland County.
3. Senior Center based shopping
4. AAA Adult Day Care
5. AAA Vision Center

To register – Phone AAA office at (800) 442-8000 or (724) 830-4444. You will be asked some basic questions and a AAA ID card will be mailed to the rider. Riders must also register for Shared-Ride.

To schedule a trip call Westmoreland Transit at 1-800-242-2706

For riders age 65 and older, Shared-Ride pays for 85% of the fare for any destination, Priority Transportation pays for 10% of the fare for the five PRIORITY DESTINATIONS previously listed, and the rider pays 5% of the fare.

For riders age 60-64 (registered before February, 2012), Priority Transportation pays for 95% of the fare for the five Priority Destinations, and the rider pays the remaining 5% of the fare.

An Escort Form is available for riders who cannot travel alone and who have an escort that must ride with them.

## **Senior Shared-Ride Transportation Program**

The Senior Shared-Ride Transportation Program is funded through PennDOT.

The goal of this program is to provide a reduced fare shared-ride service for persons age 65 and older living in Westmoreland County.

### **Eligibility:**

Age 65 and older. Riders must complete an application with Westmoreland Transit, and proof of date-of-birth is required. Acceptable proof includes a Driver's License, PA Identification Card, Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, Passport, Military Discharge Papers, or PACE Prescription Card. Westmoreland Transit is also known as the Westmoreland County Transit Authority or WCTA, and it is located at 41 Bell Way, Greensburg, approximately one block west of the Courthouse. Once registered, your ID card can be used for discounted taxi and wheelchair accessible vehicle transportation. Your ID card can also be used for free transportation on most public bus services including Westmoreland Transit, Mid-Mon Valley Transit Authority, Allegheny County Port Authority, and many others.

Scheduling trips: Call 1-800-242-2706 Westmoreland Transit's regular office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. You may call up to two weeks in advance to schedule a ride. The latest that you may call to schedule a ride for the next day is one day in advance before 4:00 PM, and Monday trips must be arranged by no later than Friday.

### **Days & Hours of Transportation Services:**

Monday – Friday: 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM Saturday's: 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

## **Senior Free Transit Program**

Offers a free bus pass for riders 65 and older

## **Reduced Fare Transit Program for persons with disabilities**

Under age 65. Call 1(800) 221-9282 for an application.

## **Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Complementary Paratransit**

For residents whose disabilities prevent them from riding a local public bus. Call 1(800) 242-2706.

## **Persons with Disabilities (PwD) Program for disabled residents**

Age 18-64 in areas with no local bus service. ADA and PwD provide a taxi or wheelchair accessible van. Call 1(800) 242-2706.

## **DAV Van Service to Pittsburgh**

2 N. Main Street, Suite 502

Greensburg, PA 15601

(724) 830 3530

Free transportation offered to Veterans by SWPA Area on Aging

**Open Your Heart to a Senior**

4600 Old William Penn Highway

Murrysville, PA 15668

(724) 327-3353

**Free Medical Shuttle for the Alle-Kiski Valley**

(724) 889-0029

Residents receive free non-emergency medical transportation service to and from St Margaret's Medical Hospital, UPMC primary care doctors offices and other UPMC diagnostic centers in Arnold, Brackenridge, Creighton, Lower Burrell, Natrona Heights, Natrona, New Kensington, Russellton and Tarentum.

**Handicap Parking – PA Department of Transportation**

(800) 932-4600