

Questions, Answers and Resources: Accessible Transportation Webinar

Contact [National Center for Mobility Management \(NCMM\)](#) to help with:

- Possible ride share ideas and grant opportunities for rural areas
- Funding solutions
- Finding your mobility managers
- On demand options
- Universal mobility design:
<https://nationalcenterformobilitymanagement.org/blog/sumc-and-ncmm-collaborate-to-produce-a-learning-module-on-universal-mobility/>
- Safety for non-drivers navigating areas with either inadequate or lack of sidewalks.
- Crosswalk signals at intersections that have not been repaired for several years.
- Contact Enjoli Dixon, edixon@easterseals.com, (708) 815-0409

[Transit Workforce](#) for:

- Staffing for drivers

[Citizens for Modern Transit](#) help advocate for:

- Advocacy/activism can dovetail with the efforts of bus operator unions because staffing shortages seem to be the perennial issue with bus cuts and lowering frequency.

Recruiting volunteer drivers:

- [New Growth Transit](#) operates in multiple counties.
- Volunteer drivers will be needed in:
 - Bates, Benton, Cass, Cedar, Franklin, Dallas, Henry, Hickory, Jefferson, Morgan, St. Clair, and Vernon counties
- Pending funding to establish programs, but starting volunteers lists in:
 - Camden, Polk, Jasper, and Barton counties
- We have people who have waiver-funding for transportation, but then there is not a provider able to actually provide the transportation in the area.
 - Most local public transit agencies have contracts with the [Division of Developmental Disabilities](#) to provide Waiver-funded transportation services. If you are unsure if the local public transit agency has a contract with the Division, please contact either the Division or the local public transit agency.

- Why is no one addressing COVID caution being a very legitimate concern for non-drivers who may have other health issues in addition to their developmental or intellectual disabilities?
 - Each transportation provider has its own protocols in place to address COVID. Recommend contacting the transportation provider utilized to determine the policies/procedures as well as scheduling a ride to the proper medical facility. Use the search tool on [Mo-Rides](#) to find transportation providers in your area.

Why can CCDDR no longer support funding the Tri-County Transit?

- The increase in costs and funding needed to continue other support service programs exceeded our SB 40 tax funding available. We had to make cuts because CCDDR could no longer be the sole local match funder for Tri-County Transit. Attempts to obtain local or state funding partners for the program were unsuccessful.

RESOURCES

[Missouri Disability Transportation](#)

[Missouri Transportation Task Force](#)

[Impairment-Related Work Expenses](#)

[Plan to Achieve Self-Support](#)