

# City of Dunedin COMMUNITIES FOR A LIFETIME PROGRAM

## ***ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR SENIORS***

If you decide to cut back on your driving or you are no longer able to drive, there are various alternative transportation options available to you. Many of these services either are free or offered at a low fee. The following summarizes some of these options for the City of Dunedin.

<i>Provider</i>	<i>Everywhere</i>	<i>Grocery</i>	<i>Medical</i>	<i>Specialty</i>
<i>PSTA</i>	<i>X</i>			
<i>Community Trans. Service</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Taxicabs</i>	<i>X</i>			
<i>Neighborhood Care Network.</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Transportation Disadvantaged</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>American Red Cross</i>			<i>X</i>	
<i>DART</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Faith In Action Upper Pinellas</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Care Lift</i>			<i>X</i>	
<i>Care Ride</i>			<i>X</i>	
<i>Ageless Placements, Inc.</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Caregivers for Seniors, Inc.</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Home Health Works</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Daughter on Call</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>
<i>Victoria's Tender Care</i>		<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>

**Neighborhood Care Network, Inc.**

**Administration (727)571-4384**

**Trip Reservation (727)573-3773 M-F 9:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**Intake (First Time) (727) 570-4384**

**Neighborhood Transportation provides door-to-door services to the following:**

**Day care centers                      Group dining sites**

**Medical facilities                      Grocery**

**and other life sustaining destinations**

**This transportation is provided for the elderly and disabled. It is normally a group service. Individual trips are provided for medical destinations.**

**ADVANCE NOTICE: Seven days.**

**DAYS AND HOURS: Pick up hours are Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Other days and hours can be arranged on a service fee basis.**

**AREA SERVED: Operates in Pinellas County based on availability of funding for buses to serve specific areas. Medical trips are provided within a ten-mile radius of pickup.**

**ELIGIBILITY AND FEES: (No fee) age 60 and up and transportation disadvantaged. Other criteria are determined by specific contracts with outside agencies and groups. Donations are encouraged for grant-funded trips. Fees for special service trips are determined by the trip sponsor.**

***TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED***

**This is a Metropolitan Planning Organization program. Transportation Disadvantaged is a state-funded program providing low-cost transportation throughout Pinellas County to individuals who qualify as “transportation disadvantaged.” Service is provided for:**

**Medical treatment**

**Employment**

**Grocery/Dining**

**Banking**

**ADVANCE NOTICE: 48-hour advance notice is required.**

**DAYS AND HOURS: Paratransit services are provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week.**

**AREA SERVED: Demand response transportation to anywhere in Pinellas County provided by taxi sedans/minivans. Wheelchair equipped vans are provided for the disabled.**

**ELIGIBILITY AND FEES: Income must not exceed \$1,595 per month (subject to**

change annually) for one person, and \$2,188 per month for two persons. They must have no means of transportation available, including family and friends. A \$3 fare (each way) is due in cash at the time of the ride.

**BUS SERVICE:** Eligible individuals can receive a 31-day unlimited bus pass (GO CARD). The cost is \$4.20 a month for transportation to anywhere a Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) bus can take them. Bus service is available on all major roads in the county. First method of transportation offered.

For Application forms to qualify call:

**Community Transportation Services**

(727) 545-2100

Provides transportation for:	Medical	Pharmacy	Dental
	Employment	Education	

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** Application and 48-hour notice are required. Serves all of Pinellas County. The fee is \$3 each way.

***AMERICAN RED CROSS***

**Medically Related Transportation**

(727) 446-2358

The American Red Cross provides transportation to medical/dental appointments only. This service is available only in the morning.

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** The Red Cross recommends a seven to ten day notice.

**FEE:** There is no fee for this transportation.

***PINELLAS SUNCOAST TRANSIT AUTHORITY (PSTA)***

PSTA InfoLine (727) 530-9911 (seven days a week and holidays)

PSTA has special programs that can save seniors (65 and over) 50% or more, with a Senior Special Citizen Photo ID, on the cash fare or use a reduced fare Daily or 31-Day Unlimited Ride Go Card. Call the PSTA InfoLine seven days a week and most holidays for route and schedule information. PSTA also offers a "Show Me" Service that will provide seniors training on how to use this transportation system.

**Days and hours:** 5 a.m. to midnight, 7 days a week.

**FEE:** 60 cents cash, \$1.50 Daily GO Card, \$25.00 for a 31-Day GO Card. All require PSTA issued ID.

**Serves:** Pinellas County.

www.Psta.net Web site has bus routes and information

***DEMAND RESPONSE--DIAL-A-RIDE-TRANSIT (DART) (727)540-1800***

**Reservations (for approved applicants only) (727) 724-0440**

**Call (727) 724-0440 to request application for service**

**Must qualify under the *Americans with Disabilities Act***

**Provides rides to medical appointments and shopping.**

**ADVANCE NOTICE: 24 hours advance notice is required.**

**DAYS AND HOURS: Vary**

**FEE: \$2.50 per ride: multi-ride punch cards available.**

**AREA SERVED: All Pinellas County**

***FAITH IN ACTION UPPER PINELLAS***

**(727)738-4307**

**The program provides transportation to medical appointments and shopping.**

**ADVANCE NOTICE: Yes**

**OPEN: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mon-Fri.**

**FEE: None**

**AREA SERVED: Serves Pinellas County only (north of Ulmerton Road).**

**ELIGIBILITY: Services provided to the frail elderly and disabled who live in their own homes or apartments (not assisted living facilities or nursing homes).**

***CARE LIFT***

**(727)734-6107**

**Sponsored by the Auxiliary of Mease Health Care. A free van transportation service for patients going to and from:**

**Mease Hospitals: Dunedin Countryside**

**Mease Medical Arts Building/Professional Buildings**

**Morton Plant Mease Rehabilitation Center at Tampa Road/U.S. 19**

**Morton Plant Mease East Lake Outpatient Center**

**Patients must be able to get in and out of the van without assistance. The schedule is between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.**

***HOSPITALS***

**The following hospitals offer free transportation for outpatient appointments at their facilities. Advance notice is required.**

**Morton Plant Mease Dunedin & Mease Countryside**

**CARELIFT (727)734-6107**

***CARE RIDE, INC.***

**Wheelchair Transportation Service  
(727)866-1193  
Medicaid (727)545-2100**

**Provides transportation to medical appointments**

**ADVANCE NOTICE: One hour.**

**DAYS AND HOURS: 5 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 Days a week**

**AREA SERVED: All of Florida (must originate in Pinellas)**

**FEES: Varies**

***TAXICABS***

**For a complete listing of taxicabs, consult your phone book and call individual companies for rates.**

**Yellow Cab -Individual deposit account - \$200 deposit.  
Billing begins 30 days after initial service.**

**Clearwater (727)799-2222**

***AGELESS PLACEMENTS, INC.***

**(727)547-4337**

**Escorts to and from appointments, shopping, and errands. Persons must be age 60 or older.**

**DAYS AND HOURS: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, however 24 hr. answering service..**

**AREA SERVED: Pinellas County**

**FEES: \$12.95 per hour/\$.30 per mile.**

***CAREGIVERS FOR SENIORS, INC***

**(727) 524-7972**

**Provides transportation to appointments, grocery shopping, errands.**

**Area Served:** Pinellas County

**Fees:** \$10.00 per hour.

***HOME HEALTH WORKS***

**(727) 442-5612**

Companion/homemaker and Home Health Aide. If evaluation is needed, there is a \$65.00 charge. Supervised transportation and a Companion to grocery, shopping and doctor.

**Area Served:** Pinellas County and Pasco Counties.

**Fees:** \$15.00 hour and an additional 50 cents a mile charge.

Three hours minimum (higher hourly charge for the weekend).

**Hours:** 9 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

***DAUGHTER ON CALL***

**(727) 343-0063**

Transportation and escort for the senior. Provides transportation to grocery store, shopping, restaurants

**Fees:** One time \$16.50 hour for a companion, \$17.50 hour for an aide. If staff's vehicle is used 50 cents per mile charge.

**Hours:** 7 days a week, 24 hours a day, you can call office.

***VICTORIA'S TENDER CARE***

**(727)544-4992**

Provides transportation and personal escort service for advocacy for doctors or legal appointments, errands, grocery and prescription delivery. Must be age 60 or older.