

Welcome Consumer, May We Give You A Ride?

Did you know that **Blair Senior Services' Shared-Ride Transportation Program** is available to anyone of any age needing transportation in Blair County? Our very friendly and well trained van drivers will pick you up at your door and take you to the front door of your destination. And when you are ready, one of our drivers will take you back home. Whether you need to go to a doctor's appointment or have medical tests done, go shopping or visit a friend, we have over 30 staffed vans ready and anxious to provide you with reliable transportation. If you have not already taken advantage of this fantastic service, we hope you will give us a try. This brochure will provide you with all the information you need to get started.

Welcome Caregiver, May We Give You A Ride?

You're a caregiver and realize the importance of getting the person or persons you care for to their appointments. But how do you do this without missing work or relying on others to assist? **Blair Senior Services' Shared-Ride Transportation Program** has the answer. Whether your loved ones need transportation service on a regular basis or only occasionally, this program is designed to fit both. Our vans are clean and lift-equipped for individuals who use walkers or standard or electric wheelchairs. The vans run Monday through Friday, 52 weeks a year and will take their passengers anywhere in Blair County. You no longer need to do this alone. Blair Senior Services is here to help. Call us today to learn more and give your loved ones back their independence.

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**BLAIR SENIOR
SERVICES INC.**

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TRANSPORTATION OFFICE

Monday through Friday

7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone: (814) 695-3500

Toll Free: 1 (800) 458-5552

Fax: (814) 696-6314

CENTRAL BLAIR SENIOR CENTER

1320 Twelfth Avenue

Altoona, PA 16601

Monday through Friday

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Phone: (814) 946-1235

NORTHERN BLAIR SENIOR CENTER

505 Third Street

Tyrone, PA 16686

Monday through Friday

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Phone: (814) 684-7853

SOUTHERN BLAIR SENIOR CENTER

15229 Dunnings Highway

East Freedom, PA 16637

Monday through Friday

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Phone: (814) 317-5181

WILLIAMSBURG SENIOR CENTER

423 West Second Street

Williamsburg, PA 16693

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Phone: (814) 832-3625

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SHARED RIDE Transportation Program

*Your Answer on
How To Get Where
You Need To Go*



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How do I schedule my ride?

To make your reservation call our **Transportation Office**, Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at **814-695-3500** or **toll free at 1-800-458-5552**.

All individual trip reservations must be made one weekday in advance. Same day service is not provided. For example, for a trip on Tuesday, you will need to call on Monday. Reservations are accepted and encouraged up to 14 days in advance. Our staff will assist you with specifics of pick-up and return, and door-to-door service when you call.

Cancellations

We request you notify our **Transportation Office IMMEDIATELY** at **814-695-3500** or **toll free at 1-800-458-5552** if you need to cancel a trip.



Need A RIDE?



Blair Senior Services, Inc. is a private non-profit corporation designated by the Federal and State governments as the Area Agency on Aging for Blair County. Our Agency is responsible for the planning, coordination, management and administration of community-based services and programs for older persons.

One of our most rewarding programs is our Shared Ride Transportation Program. Anyone of any age can utilize this program. In fact, over 120,000 trips a year are taken on our vans. If you need a ride or know of someone who needs a ride, please consider using this great program. The following information will answer many of your questions.

If you have additional questions, please call us at 814-695-3500 or toll free at 1-800-458-5552. We also encourage you to visit our website, www.blairsenior.org, to learn more about our Shared-Ride Transportation Program and our many other programs.

WHAT IS SHARED-RIDE?

Shared-Ride service means passengers share the van with others traveling the same direction at the same time.

WHO CAN USE OUR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES?

Anyone of any age can ride on our vans.

WHERE CAN I TAKE THE VAN?

You can schedule a trip for any purpose on one of our 30 vans. Blair Senior Services' Shared-Ride Transportation Program covers all of Blair County.

WHAT DO I NEED BEFORE SCHEDULING MY RIDE?

- Date of appointment. (Date I need a ride.)
- My destination. (Complete address and name of destination, if appropriate.)
- Time of appointment. (Time my appointment begins.)
- If I need a return trip. (Time I will be ready to be picked up and information on next destination.)

Please give a minimum of a 24 hour notice to make or cancel your ride at 814-695-3500 or toll free at 1-800-458-5552. Must call before 2:00 p.m. the day prior.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

During your initial reservation, our staff will explain the age verification procedure necessary for the Pennsylvania Lottery Program. Proper age verification is only required once. However, our drivers may need to request personal identification before you board the van, such as driver's license, Medicare card, Social Security card or Pennsylvania Photo ID card.

WHAT IF I NEED HELP?

We offer door-to-door assistance to all passengers. Blair Senior Services' vans are lift equipped and safely accommodate and secure individuals who use a walker or a standard size manual or electric wheelchair. All passengers are required to use seat belts. Escorts are permitted to accompany passengers at a reduced rate.

HOW MUCH WILL MY TRIP COST?

Total fare costs are based on mileage, the distance from your front door to your destination. Our Customer Service staff can calculate the cost of your fare when you call for a reservation. The Pennsylvania Lottery Program covers 85% of the fare for people 65 years of age or older who are using the Shared-Ride Program.

Blair Senior Services shares part of the remaining 15% of the cost for most trip purposes. Persons under 65 years of age need to contact our Transportation Office for applicable fares and eligibility requirements for other sources of transportation funding. Fares will be collected by the driver when you board the van.

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