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## Northeast Wisconsin Transportation Best Practices

### **Winnebago Catch-A-Ride Program**

The Winnebago Catch-A-Ride Program is a volunteer-based service, providing low-cost transportation to get people to and from work.

**Website:** <https://winnebagocatcharide.com/>

**Facebook Page:** <https://m.facebook.com/winnebagowi/>

### **Winnebago Catch-A-Ride Feonix – Mobility Rising**

Winnebago Catch-A-Ride is a workforce development initiative, striving to provide employment transportation services to individuals who do not qualify or have access to existing programs throughout Winnebago County. This program addresses the labor shortage by providing safe, reliable, and affordable employment transportation that will increase an individual's ability to maintain employment.

**Website:** <https://feonixmobilityrising.org/winnebago-catch-a-ride/>

### **Access to Jobs (ATJ) Transportation Program via GO Transit (Oshkosh)**

GO Transit offers a program for qualifying low-income workers called Access to Jobs. ATJ is a demand response cab ride for the purpose of going to and from work only.\* It is intended to assist low-income individuals with transportation needs related to employment. Income is a qualifying factor. The program is designed to allow low-income individuals to access their employment site, when the bus is not in service or does not provide reasonable access (walking distance from bus stop is not reasonable). You must live and work within the city limits of Oshkosh. You must be working full-time (30 hours or greater per week). If you are able to get to and from work via GO Transit buses, you must travel by bus. If you need transportation outside bus operational hours your card will reflect the hours it is valid for use.

**Website:** <https://www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us/transit/SpecialPrograms/access-to-jobs.aspx>

### **Commute with Enterprise**

A Smarter Way To Commute To Work. Riding together adds up to more savings, less pollution and valuable time back in your day. Enterprise makes it easy—helping you assemble your crew and providing the vehicle. This website offers separate services for both companies and commuters.

**Website:** <https://www.commutewithenterprise.com/>

### **Curative Connections (services focus primarily on adults 60+ & people with disabilities)**

Specialized Transportation Services provide door-to-door transportation to adults age 60 and older and people with disabilities. Our fleet of vehicles includes cars and accessible vans and buses. Rides are provided for doctor appointments, jobs, grocery shopping and social outings.

**Website:** <https://www.curativeconnections.org/services/specialized-transportation-services/>

### **Wisconsin Employment Transportation Assistance Program**

The [Wisconsin Employment Transportation Assistance Program \(WETAP\)](#) represents an effort to connect low-income workers with jobs through enhanced local transportation services. Lack of transportation is a significant barrier to getting and keeping jobs for low-income workers. Improving transportation services can improve the economic outcomes among these workers and the state.

The WETAP program encourages long-term solutions by providing funding for demonstration grants to cover the expenses of early start-up and development stages of an effective transportation solution. This program integrates state and federal funding (Formula Grants for Urban and Rural Areas) into one application. The goal of this program is for local areas to work together in a collaborative process to assess the transportation needs for low-income workers and develop options for addressing those needs. For purposes of WETAP funding, low-income is defined as family income that is less than 150% Federal Poverty Level.

**Website:** <https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/doing-bus/local-gov/astnce-pgms/transit/wetap.aspx>

**2021 Wisconsin Awards & Contacts** <https://wisconsin.gov/Documents/doing-bus/local-gov/astnce-pgms/transit/wetap-2021.pdf>

The above PDF includes each organization's name, county served, project type, contact, phone & website information.

### **Make the Ride Happen (services primarily focus on older adults & individuals with disabilities)**

Make The Ride Happen (MRH) is a program of Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. MRH grew out of a 2004 community-wide meeting that first raised the need for additional transportation options for the elders in our community. This effort was done with the support of ThedaCare and its Community Health Action Team (CHAT), which studied in detail how an individual would navigate the existing services. Their mission is to make the ride happen for older adults and individuals with disabilities so they can remain active and involved in their community.

**Website:** <https://www.maketheridehappen.org/about-us/>

### **The Joseph Project**

Every participant is offered the opportunity to get to work via the Joseph Project shuttles. The vans run 24/7 to make sure all shifts are covered. Due to the project's success, several vans have been donated to the program. Participants are offered 30 days free transportation, and then each worker pays a nominal fee for their daily transportation to and from work.

**Website:** <https://www.josephprojectwi.org/about2>

## **ARTICLES**

### **Wispolitics.com Article**

<https://www.wispolitics.com/2020/greater-oshkosh-edc-winnebago-catch-a-ride-recruits-drivers-to-help-winnebago-workers-get-back-to-work/>

### **Oshkosh Community Foundation Catch-A-Ride Article (February 2, 2020)**

*Winnebago Catch-a-Ride program catching on as tool to fight poverty and get workers to jobs*

<https://www.oshkoshareacf.org/2020/02/winnebago-catch-a-ride-program-catching-on-as-tool-to-fight-poverty-and-get-workers-to-jobs/>

### **NEW North Talent Hub Attract Talent Page**

<https://newnorthtalenthub.com/attract-talent/winnebago-catch-a-ride>