



Village of Downers Grove

Official Village Policy Approved by Village Council

Description: **Taxi Fare Subsidy Program for Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities**

Res. or Ord. #: **Res. 2009-120**

Effective Date: **12/15/09**

Category: **Financial Services**

New Council Policy

Amends Previous Policy Dated:

**1/17/06; 7/1/00;
4/13/98 and
5/26/92**

Description of Previous Policy (if different from above):

Taxi Fare Subsidy Res. #98-22, #92-29, #2000-30, #2006-06

RESOLUTION 2009-120

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TAXI FARE
SUBSIDY PROGRAM FOR SENIOR
CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove has received studies and information identifying various needs of senior citizens and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, such studies have identified transportation as one of the most significant needs of senior citizens and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that an appropriate role for the Village in terms of supporting senior citizens and persons with disabilities is transportation assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council desires to continue its policies and rules for the orderly implementation of such program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage County, Illinois as follows:

1. That the Council hereby reaffirms its policy of providing limited transportation support to senior citizens and persons with disabilities through the Taxi Fare Subsidy Program.
2. That the Council will annually budget an amount for the Taxi Fare Subsidy Program, said amount to represent the maximum commitment to be provided by the Village for that particular year.

3. That there shall be a fifty percent (50%) taxi fare subsidy program for senior citizens and persons with disabilities which shall be administered by the Village Manager generally in accordance with the policies outlined herein.
4. That the following guidelines shall be applied by the Village Manager in the administration of the program:
 - a. The taxi fare subsidy shall be limited to Downers Grove residents, age 65 or over, or to Downers Grove residents with disabilities as defined by Section 22-1 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code.
 - b. Individuals desiring to purchase taxi coupons under the program shall present proof of their qualifications for participation in the program in person at Village Hall, and shall thereafter be permitted to purchase taxi coupons by mail for one year at which time proof of qualifications shall be reconfirmed in person.
 - i. acceptable proof of residency includes a utility bill, library card, lease or bank statement.
 - ii. acceptable proof of age includes a social security card, Medicare card, driver's license, State identification card, citizenship papers, RTA reduced fare card or passport.
 - iii. acceptable proof of handicap includes an RTA reduced fare card or affidavit from a doctor or any other proof of handicap approved by the Director of Finance.
 - c. No individual shall purchase more than \$60.00 worth of coupon sheets per month.
 - d. The subsidized tickets shall not be used, and shall not be collected by taxicab companies, for taxicab rides to or from any airport.
5. That the Village Manager shall promulgate appropriate administrative policies, consistent with the terms of this Resolution, for the administration of the program and shall from time to time advise the Village Council of the progress thereof and any modifications which may be appropriate.
6. That Resolutions 92-29, 98-22, 2000-30, and 2006-06 and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of the Resolution are hereby repealed.
7. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage as provided by law.



Ronald L. Sandack, Mayor

Passed: December 15, 2009

Attest: April K. Holden

