

Medical Appointments

The Needham Community Council:

To and from medical appointments, using volunteer drivers.

781-444-2415

Busy Bee Transportation

From your home to the appointment and back.

1-800-427-0230

Senior Medical Escort Program – Springwell, Inc.

From your home to the appointment and back, with volunteer drivers. Advance notice required.

1-617-926-4100

MassHealth members who need non-emergency transportation to and from medical appointments may be eligible for free transportation services. Eligible members who use public transportation can get reimbursement for their transportation expenses. Eligible members who need dial-a-ride services can get van or taxi service free of charge. If you have questions, call MassHealth Customer Service at 1-800-841-2900 (TTY: 1-800-497-4648).

Call the
Needham
Council on
Aging
(781) 455-7555
for transportation
information



Outreach Department

The Outreach Department at the Needham Council on Aging is available to assist Needham elders and their families with any of their transportation needs. Applications for The RIDE and other specialized services are available for pickup, or our Outreach staff would be happy to help seniors fill them out. 781-455-7555

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C O U N C I L
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Needham
**Transportation
Options for
Needham
Seniors**

TRANSPORTATION TO LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:

Senior Discount vouchers may be purchased directly from Veteran's Taxi via calling 781-693-5384.

It is advisable to purchase airport vouchers no less than five (5) business days prior to date of departure.

For additional informational regarding discount transportation to the airport please call, 781-693-5384. Fee for service



ERRANDS AND SHOPPING

Courtesy Vans – To/from anywhere in Needham: every Tuesday and Friday, provided by the Needham Community Council.
781-444-2415

NuRide: An environmentally friendly transportation option, is the nation's largest rewards program for individuals who take greener trips. A greener trip is when you don't drive solo and instead choose to walk, bike, telecommute, carpool, vanpool, take a subway, train, bus, ferry or even work a compressed week. <http://www.nuride.com>

SENIOR CENTER TRANSPORTATION

The Needham Council on Aging will provide a ride between your home and the Senior Center, using the COA's van.

Advance reservations requested.

781-455-7555

GROCERY SHOPPING

B.A.G.S. – Bringing Assistance for Grocery Shopping"

There are 3 levels to this assistance program.

1. Independent shoppers needing transportation and bundle assistance
2. Shoppers needing assistance inside the store.
3. Seniors interested in home delivered groceries.

**Call the Outreach Department at
781-455-7555 for more information.**



Paratransit Services:

Paratransit services are special public transportation options for senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

The ADA Paratransit Service is for Massachusetts residents whose disabilities prevent them from using subway or fixed route bus service. To be eligible, you must:

- meet the disability guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act
- live in Massachusetts
- be unable to get around on your own OR have a disability that the subways and buses are not equipped for
- and file an application and be approved for ADA Paratransit Service.

If you have a short-term disability that prevents you from riding the subway or local buses, you can get temporary approval for paratransit services.

To apply for ADA Paratransit Service call the MBTA's **The Ride**, and request an application:

Call THE RIDE at 1-800-533-6282 or (TTY: 617-222-5415). Fee for service

online:

<http://www.mbta.com/uploadedFiles/documents/rideinstappl.PDF>

**For additional assistance call the COA
Outreach Department at 781-455-7555**