

Naperville Seniors in Action

Affordable transportation for Naperville Senior Citizens

June 2021

Thanks

Thank you for participating in Naperville's only transportation option for seniors where the drivers wait for the seniors during their medical appointment.

Thank you to **Coldwell Banker - Leavenworth Team of Naperville** for their continued support of RAN.

Donate

During the pandemic, we have lost a lot of our normal donations.

Every little bit helps ensure that we stay on the road, providing rides for seniors in Naperville. **Thank you!**

RAN to Date

- 373 Active Riders
- 42 Volunteer Drivers
- Over 5430 One-Way Rides Completed
- Over 160 Medical
 Destinations

Volunteers Needed

Do you know someone who might be a good fit as a volunteer RAN driver? Please send them our way! Volunteering with us is flexible and rewarding. We are always in search of qualified volunteers to help.

Have a Facebook Profile?

If you have a birthday coming up, we invite you to celebrate your birthday with Ride Assist Naperville by choosing us for your birthday fundraiser!

Since RAN is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, we rely on donations to fund our program. We greatly appreciate your support.

We have made our best efforts to get all our riders to their vaccine appointments and to help our volunteers get vaccines if they so choose. During this year of the COVID-19 pandemic and closures, Ride Assist Naperville has continued our mission, providing essential rides to doctor's appointments to seniors in the Naperville community. More information about how to create a fundraiser, by contacting us at info@rideassistnaperville.org.

www.facebook.com/RideAssistNaperville

Summer, Sunshine, and Sunscreen!



As more folks receive the COVID-19 vaccine, restrictions are loosening up just in time for summer weather. However, we still need to follow similar recommendations to last summer to keep ourselves and our communities safe.

The CDC is still recommending small gatherings and continued masking for individuals who have not yet received their vaccines. However, there are more

activities that we can enjoy now that the weather is warmer:

- **Outdoor dining** is generally safe, especially as more of us are vaccinated. So, grab a friend and go catch up over coffee on a patio.
- Many park districts offer active programs for seniors. See below Naperville Park District's available activities.
- **Swimming.** Naperville Park District opened Centennial Beach this year at limited capacity. You may need a reservation.

Don't forget to grab your sunscreen while you're out and about. It is recommended that you use an SPF of 15 or higher anytime you'll be in the sun.

Ride Requests

Please inquire with your medical team to see if you can do a phone or video call with your doctor to avoid an unnecessary visit to the doctor's office. Always check with your doctors before making a ride request with us. We will make every effort in getting you to your medical appointments if we can find a volunteer driver.

COVID-19

All riders must sign our COVID-19 waiver before being able to schedule a new ride. If you or someone you have been in physical contact with has tested positive for COVID-19, and you have recently taken a ride with RAN, please let us know. We would need to be able to inform our drivers so they can get tested and use proper quarantine protocols in the event of an exposure. We are always doing our best to keep our RAN community safe.

Contact Us

Our office staff will be working remotely for the foreseeable future. Leave us a detailed voicemail, and we will call you back as soon as possible. You can also email anytime.

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We Need Volunteers and Donations

As a nonprofit, we are always looking for volunteers. All RAN drivers are volunteers, and we rely on them to continue to be able to provide transportation to local seniors. Our drivers are dedicated and often develop friendships with our riders.

If you know anyone who is compassionate, enthusiastic, and has some extra time, please send them our way. Our drivers choose their own schedules and can drive as frequently or infrequently as they like.

Volunteers can sign up on our website: https://www.rideassistnaperville.org/home/drivers/

Since we are a nonprofit organization, we are primarily funded by donations. Your support helps us keep our service running for our riders. Ride Assist accepts donations online or you can also send a check by mail.

Online donations: https://www.rideassistnaperville.org/home/donate/

Mail donations with checks payable to Ride Assist Naperville here: 790 Royal St. George Drive Suite 141 #156 Naperville, Illinois 60563

Active Senior Programs



The Naperville Park District has a wide variety of senior programs that will be available this summer. It's a great opportunity to get out of the house and meet other seniors in the area. They are offering everything from outdoor bingo to Tai Chi to fitness classes.

They are also hosting education workshops for seniors. You can sign up to take workshops on identity theft,

preventing financial abuse, and refresher courses on driving. A lot of these programs are offered exclusively to seniors and designed with the needs of seniors in mind.

You can sign up for these programs online or in person at the Fort Hill Activity Center. These programs are limited to residents of the City of Naperville.

Register online here: https://www.napervilleparks.org/seniors