

WHO WE ARE

MEMBERS OF THE JOBS ACCESS TASK FORCE:

Capitol Region Workforce Development Board
Connecticut Department of Social Services
Connecticut Department of Labor
City of Hartford
Connecticut Department of Transportation
Greater Hartford Transit District
CT Transit
Rideshare Company
New Britain Transportation
Hartford Job Developers' Consortium
Connecticut Business and Industry Association
Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency
Capitol Region Council of Governments

The Capitol Region Council of Governments has assumed the role of transportation broker working with job developers, employers and transportation providers. CROG also coordinates the Capitol Region Jobs Access Task Force. The Task Force is a coalition of job developers, transportation providers, state government agencies and the State's largest business trade association.



CAPITOL REGION JOBS ACCESS TASK FORCE

JOBS ACCESS PROGRAM

HELPING PEOPLE GET TO WORK



Ride with us!

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ABOUT THE JOBS ACCESS PROGRAM

The Jobs Access Program was established to improve public transportation for the welfare-to-work effort. Access to suburban and first, second and third shift jobs that were not reachable through existing fixed bus routes and schedules.

Since the program started in 1997, new services have improved access to jobs. This was accomplished by adding new routes and adjusting schedules to cover more work shifts and to bring groups of people to higher paying suburban jobs. Services are designed for TANF clients transitioning off welfare and others earning low incomes, but can be used by anyone.

HOW WE OPERATE

We act quickly and creatively to develop transportation solutions. The size and type of vehicle we employ will depend upon the location and the number of riders. CT Transit, Rideshare and The Greater Hartford Transit District are the key transportation providers and we use their buses, vans and shuttles to respond to your needs.

Five or more people can establish a route if the stops along are nearby each other and time synchronized. With 5 or more riders, we can start service within 48 hours.

We are committed to the following principles:

- ◇ Timely, innovative and flexible responses to your transportation needs
- ◇ Implementing sustainable long-term transportation solutions.
- ◇ Using taxpayers money prudently.

FEE

In most cases we charge riders the same low fare as regular bus service. Typically this cost is \$1.25 per person per trip and is most often handled by payroll deduction. Contributions from employers will be requested.

JOBS ACCESS WEBSITE: TRANSPORTATION LINKS

A Communication Tool

Our website is designed to be your transportation center so that you can better assist your clients with their transportation needs as they enter the workplace. We encourage Job Developers working with clients in the North Central Region to use our site.

It will work best if many people know and use the site. Unlike e-mail, this is a public site that will enable job developers to view current services.

What You Will Find on This Link Site:

- ◇ Current Service – including employer, schedule, origin and destination points. If your clients need to get to the same general location at the same general time, call CRCOG to have them join the ride.
- ◇ Instructions on how to group riders into 5 or more by coordinating one or two riders with other riders. When you have 5 or more, call CRCOG to arrange transportation service.

WHERE DO WE GO?

We take people who live within the North Central Region to work, to job interviews and to job-related training programs. Those who live in one of the 38 towns within the region (Greater Hartford, Manchester, Bristol and New Britain areas) may qualify for our assistance. There are other programs serving other regions across the state. For information on these programs please call Lisa Rivers at The Connecticut Department of Transportation (860) 594-2829 or e-mail her at: lisa.rivers@po.state.ct.us

EMERGENCY RIDE HOME

In the event of serious illness, a child care problem or other authorized emergency, Jobs Access employees are eligible for two free emergency rides home per year. Employees simply contact the employer representative who will then call The Rideshare Company. Employers can call The Rideshare Company at 860-298-7035 to arrange a cab ride.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Please let us know your e-mail and mailing address (with telephone and fax numbers), so that we can communicate with you.

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