



Press Release

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The City of Bentonville recently received grant monies initiated by Senator Kim Hendren and partnered with the Area Agency on Aging for the purpose of providing transportation within the community. The grant funds will be used to implement a new taxi coupon program, effective immediately. The purpose of the program is to provide taxi coupons to elderly, low- income, and disabled Bentonville residents to assist in their transportation needs. Program recipients will receive twenty-five (25) taxi coupons per month, worth \$2.00 each.

All program recipients must meet low- to moderate income guidelines as set forth by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to qualify for the taxi coupon program.

Transportation needs include using the coupons for taxi rides for the following services (not a comprehensive list):

- Medical needs: doctor's office, hospital, pharmacy, etc.
- Beauty salon or barber shop
- Bank
- Library
- Church
- Funeral home or cemetery
- Florist
- Dry cleaners and Laundromat
- Grocery Store
- City and State Government Offices
- Post Office
- Jones Center for Families, Salvation Army, United Way, Helping Hands, Samaritan House, etc.
- Veterinarian
- Senior Activity Centers
- Airport or Bus Station
- School or place of learning
- Professional services: insurance, accountant, attorney, etc.

To obtain an application or for more information, please call Danielle Shasteen at (479) 271-6826 or e-mail at dshasteen@bentonvillear.com.