

County of Eau Claire
Eau Claire WI 54703
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In Accordance with the provisions of Chapter 297, State of Wisconsin, Laws of 1973, notice is hereby given of the following public hearing:

The **Aging & Disability Resource Center Board** will meet on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 3:00 pm at the LE Phillips Senior Center, 1616 Bellinger Street, Eau Claire WI. Items of business to be discussed at this public hearing are listed below:

1. Call to order

2. Public Hearing on Eau Claire County's 2015 85.21 Specialized Transportation Grant Application

3. Adjourn

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**SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR COUNTIES**

s. 85.21 Wis. Stats.

2015 APPLICATION



BUREAU OF TRANSIT, LOCAL ROADS, RAILROADS AND HARBORS
TRANSIT SECTION

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Accessibility Statement

85.21 Specialized Transportation grant will be used in 2015 for the transportation of non-ambulatory persons.

Coordination Statement

Eau Claire County and City partner to provide paratransit/specialized transportation services to people age sixty and older and people with disabilities who cannot use the city bus system or live outside of the boundaries of the system. Service is provided countywide between 6:00 am and 10:00 pm Monday through Saturday. The Aging & Disability Resource Center also contracts directly for service from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm on Sundays and for trips to locations outside of Eau Claire County. Fare assistance is provided with limited Older Americans Act grants and county levy funding to assist individuals who are not able to pay for all of their rides. Aging & Disability Resource Center staff also refers people to the Eau Claire City bus system, Western Dairyland bus travel/training program, Center for Independent Living for Western WI, Inc.'s New Freedom Transportation Program, Triniteam Caregivers Volunteer Driver program, and other local private transportation providers. Aging & Disability Resource Center staff maintains a transportation resource directory that is available on our website and in printed form at various locations throughout the county.

Eau Claire County's Aging and Disability Resource Center Board meets twelve times each year and is responsible for the planning, development, and review of transportation services for Eau Claire County residents who are older or have a disability and have no access to private or public transportation. The Committee is comprised of eleven citizens and representatives from Eau Claire County Board; 4 of those members are older individuals, 1 adult with a physical disability, 1 with a developmental disability or their family member or guardian and 5 County Board members with 1 of those being a rural citizen. This Board is responsible for reviewing and approving the annual 85.21 grant application. The ADRC Director or the Transportation Program Supervisor attends the regional coordination meetings sponsored by the Center for Independent Living for Western WI, Inc.

Service Priorities

We have begun to use the 85.21 funding from the Trust fund for program marketing and fare assistance. If sufficient revenue is not generated or funding decreases, trip priorities will be put into effect for all rides provided under Project 2. Priorities will be as follows: medical, work related, and nutrition. We would also consider establishing an Agency Fee for rides provided under Project 1 to increase revenue and maintain service for both projects. Project 1 will not have trip priorities as this is our core service.

Eau Claire County will attempt to meet demand for non-priority trip needs through referrals to Center for Independent Living for Western WI Inc.'s New Freedom Transportation Program, Triniteam Caregiver's Volunteer Program, and through the new Chippewa Valley Timebank program.

Description of Projects

	Project 1	Project 2
1	Van/bus service	Van/bus service
2	Sponsor: Eau Claire City and County Provider: Abby Vans, Inc.	Sponsor: Eau Claire County Provider: Abby Vans, Inc.
3	This Project does not use 85.21 as local match for a federal 5307, 5310, 5311, 5316, or 5317 grant	This Project does not use 85.21 as local match for a federal 5307, 5310, 5311, 5316, or 5317 grant.
4	Vehicles used for this project: see list	Vehicles used for this project: see list
5	Days and hours of service and areas served by this project: <u>City of Eau Claire</u> Monday- Friday 6:00 am to 10:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm <u>Outside of the City of Eau Claire</u> Monday- Friday 6:00 am to 6:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm	Days and hours of service and areas served by this project: <u>City of Eau Claire</u> Saturday 6:00 am to 8:00 am and 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm <u>Outside of the City of Eau Claire</u> Monday- Friday 6:00 pm- 10:00 pm Saturday 6:00 am to 8:00 am and 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm <u>Eau Claire County</u> Sunday 7:00 am to 2:00 pm Trips to locations outside of Eau Claire County on a limited basis.

6	<u>Level of service offered by this project:</u> Trips are door to door with no particular route.	<u>Level of service offered by this project:</u> Trips are door to door with no particular route.
7	24 hour advance reservations are required for this project. Same day reservations may be provided if there is the ability/capacity to do so.	24 hour advance reservations are required for this project. Same day reservations may be provided if there is the ability/capacity to do so.
8	<u>Project eligibility:</u> People with disabilities that prevent them from using the city bus system and people with disabilities and people age sixty and older who live outside of the bus system boundaries and do not have access to transportation.	<u>Project eligibility:</u> People with disabilities that prevent them from using the city bus system and people with disabilities and people age sixty and older who live outside of the bus system boundaries and do not have access to transportation.
9	<u>Passenger revenue policy for this project:</u> \$3.00 copay per one way trip Copays are collected by drivers or billed to customers or third party.	<u>Passenger revenue policy for this project:</u> \$3.00 copay per one way trip Copays are collected by drivers or billed to customers or third party.
	<u>Project 1 Budget:</u> \$240,429 grant funds <u>11,245</u> Trust Fund \$251,674	<u>Project 2 Budget:</u> \$ 9,007 grant funds <u>18,600</u> Trust Fund \$27,607