

## McHenry County Division of Transportation

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McHenry County has now expanded its transportation options for eligible McHenry County residents. MCRide Connect is a new on-demand, user-side subsidy program using transportation network (commonly known as rideshare) companies, like Uber and UZURV, to provide a new affordable transportation option for eligible residents in McHenry County. Through MCRide Connect, any resident with an RTA Free or Reduced Fare Permit can pay the first \$4 for any Uber trip within the county, with the county covering up to \$20 of any additional cost for the trip.

This program aims to offer more affordable, on-demand transportation options for McHenry County residents. McHenry County has appropriated \$420,000 from the RTA Sales Tax Fund towards an Intergovernmental Agreement between McHenry County and Pace Suburban Bus. This collaborative effort follows the county's existing MCRide Dial-a Ride program, a coordinated countywide transit service in which riders schedule their trips in advance.

MCRide Connect will subsidize trips throughout the six-county Chicagoland region, so long as the origin or destination is in McHenry County. To enroll, eligible riders must complete and submit the MCRide Connect Enrollment Form, which can be found at <a href="https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/mcrideconnect">www.mchenrycountyil.gov/mcrideconnect</a>.

To obtain an RTA Free or Reduced Fare Permit, residents must have an eligible disability or be an older adult or military personnel. Please see <a href="https://www.rtachicago.org/riders/free-and-reduced-fare-programs">https://www.rtachicago.org/riders/free-and-reduced-fare-programs</a> to learn more.

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