



Every Ride Counts in Age Friendly Berkshires! A Community Survey on Transportation

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Age Friendly Berkshires, a coalition movement coordinated by Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, is working with communities including Councils on Aging, to make our region more “livable”, by filling gaps in essential services so that growing up and growing old is a little bit easier for everyone.

This **survey** is part a Community Conversation on the ride needs/preferences to *necessary appointments* for older adults age 60+, those living with disabilities of any age and non-drivers. **“Necessary appointments” are those for work, non-emergency medical visits, to obtain food, to volunteer, to make nursing home visits, to go to a laundromat, haircut, or other personal service.**

Follow link to complete survey online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EveryRideCounts>

If you do not have internet access, please fill in the form below. Completed surveys may be mailed or dropped off to your **Council on Aging**.

- 1) Town of Residence (**Circle one**): **Windsor, Peru, Dalton, Hinsdale, Washington, Becket**. These 6 communities are members of the Berkshire Regional Transportation Authority (BRTA.)
- 2) Are you aware of the BRTA fixed-route bus that travels between Pittsfield thru Dalton and Hinsdale? Have you ever used that bus route? **Yes or No (circle)**
- 3) Are you aware that your Town has access to ADA transportation, if you need a van with a wheelchair lift? **Yes or No (circle)**
- 4) Have you ever taken a taxi from your home to a location in/outside of Berkshire County? If so, what municipalit/y (ies) did you go to? _____
- 5) If a vehicle (shared van, or 4 -passenger auto) was available on a week day to pick you up at home to take you to a necessary appointment and back home again, **for a reasonable fee**, would you use it? Circle: **A) All the time b) Sometimes c) Never d) Unsure**
Explain: _____
- 6) If you answered “a” or “b” to #5, where do you typically go for necessary appointments (**circle all that apply**)

1) Within my own community	4) Lee
2) Pittsfield	5) Dalton
3) Great Barrington	
6) Other in Berkshire County: _____ Purpose: _____	
7) Other outside of Berkshire County _____ Purpose: _____	
- 7) **A reasonable Round-trip fee** would be charged for a door to door ride. **Up to what level** would you consider “reasonable” for you personally **for a trip to Pittsfield and back?** \$12 \$13-15, \$16-20, \$21-25, \$26-30 or other \$_____