

# Sudbury Transportation Committee

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### **Sudbury Transportation Committee Announces Start of Urgent Taxi Transportation Pilot**

Sudbury MA – The Sudbury Transportation Committee will begin offering a pilot grant-funded Taxi service with COVID-19 safety protocols in place beginning on ???. The Town of Sudbury is working with Tommy's Taxi of Framingham and JFK Transportation Services, Inc., of Natick, to provide this service which includes wheelchair accessible vans

Transportation will be provided for medical appointments, as well as employment and essential grocery shopping?? for older residents, veterans, residents with disabilities, and for financially vulnerable residents during this national emergency. Several new protocols are required for taxi drivers and riders to minimize the transmission of the COVID-19 virus.

Applicants for service must register by contacting Ana Cristina Oliveira at 978-639-3268, or via email at [oliveiraa@sudbury.ma.us](mailto:oliveiraa@sudbury.ma.us). After registration is complete, you may begin scheduling rides. Ride requests must be made 48 business hours in advance for dispatching purposes. For example, for a Tuesday ride at 1:00 PM, please call by Friday at 1:00 PM. If there is a Monday holiday, please call by Thursday at 1:00 PM for a Tuesday ride.

Both drivers and passengers will wear masks/facial coverings and follow proper hygiene. Taxis will be cleaned between riders and at the end of each work day. All passengers must follow proper hand hygiene and maintain social distancing. Additional protocols are in place and will be communicated to passengers prior to the use of transportation services. It is important to acknowledge that the many safety protocols in place will minimize, but cannot eliminate, the risk of exposure to the coronavirus that causes COVID-19.

These special time-limited, grant-funded transportation services via taxi, will be provided on a first come, first serve basis.

Quote from Dan Carty? Or ?

“We hope that this temporary program provides Sudbury older residents, veterans, essential workers and residents with disabilities and financial need, a safe way to get to medical appointments, work and other essential destinations during this difficult time.”

For questions about the program, please contact Ana Cristina Oliveira, Outreach and Information Specialist for the Sudbury Senior Center at 978-639-3268 or [oliveiraa@sudbury.ma.us](mailto:oliveiraa@sudbury.ma.us).

The Sudbury Transportation Committee consists of members from: the Sudbury Select Board, Sudbury Council on Aging, Sudbury Commission on Disability, Sudbury Planning and Community Development Department, Sudbury Senior Center, Sudbury Police Department, Sudbury Department of Public Works, Livable Sudbury Ambassador, ??? and was established in September 2018 by the Town of Sudbury Select Board.

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