

# NEWTON TRANSPORTATION

## Resources for Elders and Caregivers

Provided by **SPRINGWELL**  
125 Walnut Street, Watertown, MA 02472  
617-926-4100

\*Vouchers must be used instead of cash to pay for rides provided by the Newton Department of Senior Services. Voucher books can be obtained in person at the Newton Senior Center or they can be requested by mail by calling 617-796-1660 or riders can mail the request to the Newton Senior Center at 345 Walnut Street, Newton, MA 02460. Please call Senior Center for information about contributions, waivers and payment. Please call 617-796-1664.

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| <b>*Newton Department of Senior Services and Council on Aging</b> | <i>Medical</i><br>Transportation for Newton seniors to medical appointments in Newton is offered through an arrangement with Veterans Taxi. Rides are available Monday -Friday from 8:00-5:00, but elder must have a voucher from the Senior Center for each way. Payment is a \$3.00 voucher donation each way. Call 3 days in advance to schedule ride. Newton Senior Services has re-instituted 10 destinations outside of Newton for medical transportation, primarily in Wellesley and Chestnut Hill. Call the Senior Center for more info. | 617-796-1288 |
| <b>*Newton Department of Senior Services and Council on Aging</b> | <i>Food Shopping</i><br>Takes seniors weekly for food shopping on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 –2. Rider may choose day and time and grocery store within Newton. Call 3 days in advance. There is a \$3.00 voucher donation each way and the driver will help with bundles.   | 617-796-1288 |
| <b>*Newton Department of Senior Services and Council on Aging</b> | <i>Transportation to Senior Center and Meal Site</i><br>To set up a ride to the Senior Center, call by 4 PM the previous afternoon, or set up a schedule, if going on a regular basis. Rides are available to Newton seniors Mon-Fri 8-4. A \$3.00 voucher donation is requested each way.   | 617-796-1288 |
|   | <i>Rides to Houses of Worship</i> within Newton are available at certain times; call at least 3 days in advance to arrange   | 617-796-1288 |
|   | <i>Rides to Long-term Care Facilities</i> within Newton, limit of 2 trips per week, Mon thru Fri 8am-5pm within Newton; call 3 days in advance   | 617-796-1288 |

**Senior Medical Escort Program - Springwell**

617-926-4100

The Program matches frail seniors with volunteers to drive and/or accompany them to medical appointments between 8:00AM and 5:00PM in Boston and the Springwell area towns. To be eligible, an individual must be 60 or over, unable to get to medical appointments independently, and able to get in and out of the car with minimal assistance. An individual is responsible for tolls and parking fees. The requested donation is \$4.00 each way. Call at least one week before the appointment to request the Medical Escort.

**Taxi Discounts**

*Medical, Non Medical (Taxi Discounts)*  
Veteran's Taxi provides 10% off coupons for seniors. Coupons must be purchased in advance.

617-527-0300  
617-969-8294

**The RIDE**

*Medical, Non Medical, Adult Day Health*  
The RIDE is operated by the MBTA and it is handicapped accessible. The RIDE provides medical and non-medical transportation on a space-available basis to many destinations, including adult day health centers. The program requires an application, which must be approved by a physician, nurse, or licensed social worker. Approved clients maintain a balance of funds by using either a credit card, debit card, check or money order; \$2.00 flat rate per ride is deducted regardless of area traveled.

For application:  
617- 222-5123  
To set up a ride:  
877-765-7433

**Busy Bee Transportation**  
(funded by Springwell)

*Medical, Adult Day Health*

800-427-0230

Medical transportation from 9:00AM to 3:00PM Monday through Friday (doctors' appointments should be scheduled no earlier than 10:00AM and no later than 2:00PM to ensure a ride each way). Transportation is available to hospitals and doctor's offices in all Springwell area towns outside of Newton, and also to the major hospitals in Boston. Reservations must be made at least 2 business days in advance. A donation of \$4.00 each way is requested.

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