

Barrington Transportation Story

In 1986, the Barrington Area Council on Aging (BACOA) contracted with Barrington Transportation Service (the local company that was providing transportation services for the schools) to provide transportation for senior citizen's mid-day Monday through Friday. BACOA worked with the Village of Barrington to secure needed liability coverage and the bus company handled ride dispatching as well as provision of the transportation service.

In 1991, the PACE Dial a Ride service was initiated and BACOA and the Village of Barrington decided to contract with PACE to begin providing senior transportation using a handicap accessible vehicle. The Village of Barrington held the contract with PACE and established a relationship with Barrington Township (Cook Co) and Cuba Township (in Lake Co) to help offset some of the costs based on the number of rides provided. This relationship continued unchanged until November of 2008. Due to the economic downturn, the Village indicated it would be unable to continue to provide financial support of the program after June 30, 2009. The Barrington Area Council on Aging has always had a good working relationship with Barrington and Cuba Townships and encouraged the township meet to discuss a way to continue providing transportation services for area seniors. Between January and June 30, 2009, the township agreed to take on financial responsibility for the PACE transportation service in the Barrington area and entered into an inter-governmental agreement. Currently, Barrington Township handles the billing. The townships reimburse PACE based on their percentage of ridership. The Village of Lake Barrington in Lake Co has also agreed to contribute toward the cost of rides for residents who reside in their community. Over the last few years, BACOA and the townships have begun to work more closely with one another to address this important need that seniors and handicapped individuals have. We know that the need for transportation will only continue to grow and plan to explore the most cost effective options to address this issue.

**Barrington Area Transportation
Ridership overview & cost information**

Ridership

During the 2012 calendar year, the Barrington Transportation Committee met with Pace and we were able to establish a new reporting system that has allowed us to better track rides based on a riders residence.

Below is a summary of ridership statistics for the 12 month period of July, 2012 through June, 2013:

Community	# rides July – Dec 2012	Ave # of riders	# rides Jan – June 2013	Ave # riders
Barrington	682	12 to 18 per mo	511	12 to 19 per mo
Barrington Hills	196	2 per mo	432	2 to 4 per mo
Lake Barrington	610	9 to 11 per mo	607	8 to 14 per mo
North Barrington	6	1 per mo	7	1 – 2 per mo
South Barrington	43	1 to 2 per mo	81	1 to 4 per mo
Deer Park	0	0	0	0
Tower Lakes	5	2 per mo	14	1 per mo
Inverness	0	0	18	1 per mo
Cuba Unincorp	62	2 or 3 per mo	31	2 per mo
Total	1604		1701	
Township	# of rides	Ave # of riders	# of rides	Ave # of riders
Algonquin Twp	59	1 per mo	179	1 per mo
Barrington Twp	482	7 to 12 per mo	493	9 to 14 per mo
Cuba Twp	962	17 to 28 per mo	959	16 to 30 per mo
Ela Twp	101	1 to 2 per mo	70	1 to 2 per mo

Program cost: The latest available annual financial data for fiscal year 2012 is as follows:

- Total cost of the program: \$107,067.28
- Pace contribution: \$60,541.28
- Fare revenues: \$2,383.00
- Barrington area share: \$44,142.55/Yr or \$3,678/ Mo
- Number of one-way rides provided: 3,876
- Barrington area share, cost per ride: \$11.39