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CUMBERLAND AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM (CATS)

Bus Transportation for Cumberland County Residents

The Cumberland County CATS Program continues to provide bus transportation to County residents who are 1) aged 60 years or over, 2) Veterans, 3) disabled, 4) blind, and 5) the general public. Bus service is provided from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

To ride the County CATS, one must call the CATS dispatch office at **691-7799**. For all areas of the County, you must telephone at least 2 working days in advance for transportation services. 48-hour reservation calls will be taken from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All other calls will be taken from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.; including cancellations, medical emergencies, or same-day and prior-day reservations (on space available basis only). Call 7-1-1 (N.J. Relay Service) if assistance is needed for deaf and/or hearing impaired.

Regular Mall Routes: Regular trips to the Cumberland Mall are scheduled from Vineland, Port Elizabeth, Port Norris, and Millville on Tuesdays and Fridays. Mall trips from Bridgeton and surrounding areas are scheduled on Fridays. To be included on these routes, call CATS at **691-7799**. For all mall trips call at least 2 working days in advance.

General Public Service

Shopping Schedule: Calls from the general public will be accepted for inclusion in the regular mall routes. Calls from the general public will be accepted on a 48-hour advance notice from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the second working day prior to trip day. A full schedule of route points for general public service is available at the CATS office.

Agency-Related Transport: Agency-related transport is also provided to the general public for persons needing transport to government, health and social service agencies to obtain services or benefits.

Non-Emergency Medical Transportation: CATS provides non-emergency medical transportation to hospitals and medical facilities within and outside of Cumberland County on a daily basis. Persons requesting **in-county medical transportation** should call **691-7799**, 2 working days in advance. For **out-of-county medical transportation**, persons should call 5-7 days in advance. Service is provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

County ID cards verify a person's eligibility for the CATS program. These ID cards are issued by the County Office on Aging for senior citizens, disabled and veterans and are obtained at the County Office on Aging by calling **459-3090**. If you lose your card, call the Office on Aging & Disabled at **459-3090** for a replacement. General public ID cards are issued by the CATS office by calling **691-7799**. CATS will issue and send an ID card for general public ridership to be used for all future trips.

Riders should make all arrangements for rides through the dispatch office. Drivers have been advised not to pick up passengers other than on instructions from the dispatch office. Unless the drivers check with the dispatch office, they are not authorized to provide a trip.