

The Ride Along

ENOA Rural Transportation Program Newsletter | April 2021

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Program Changes

In January, a letter went out to our passengers who are considered to be “urban”, announcing the discontinuation of the urban trips portion of our transportation services, **effective July 1st 2021**.

The trips that will be discontinued are those in which both the origin and the destination of the trip itself are within the boundary set by the U.S. Census Bureau, called “**Urbanized Omaha**”. This boundary includes Bennington, Waterloo, Gretna, Papillion, Ralston, LaVista, and Bellevue.

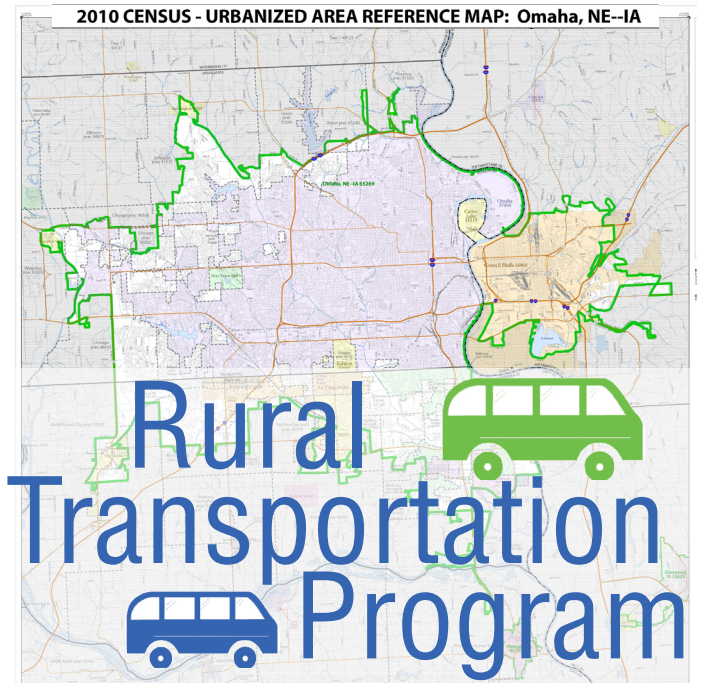
For a detailed map of the boundary, you may visit our website at www.ENOA.org. Click on “**Resources**”, then “**Transportation**”. There will be a link ([Click here for Urbanized Omaha 2010 Census Map](#)) to download a PDF document, with an interactive map.



Public Transit Week

This year, Public Transit Week, The Nebraska Department of Transportation’s annual event to raise awareness for public transit services across the state, will be held from **April 11 to April 17**.

ENOA will be celebrating by handing out special Public Transit Week tumblers, and facemasks, with the Public Transit Week logo on them. Supplies will be limited.



Rides Availability

The transition to all rural trips, combined with the effects that COVID has had on the program has left us in a position where we have limited availability because of a shortage of available drivers.

Don’t be alarmed, this will only be for a short time. In fact, just until July 1st, when we will have more drivers available, so hang in there!

At that time, we will also be looking for ways to build up the ridership in the rural areas, including Cass, Dodge, and Washington counties, so if you know anyone who may need transportation services, please refer them to us. If you have any ideas or clever ways to get our information out to people, please let us know!

**For more information,
please call Brian Hatfield
at 1-888-210-1093.**

2021 Holiday Schedule

We will be closed on the following holidays during 2021:

Monday, May 31 Memorial Day

Monday, July 5..... Independence Day Observance

Monday, September 6..... Labor Day

Monday, October 11 Columbus Day

Wednesday, November 11 Veterans' Day

Thursday, November 25..... Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 26 Thanksgiving Day Observance

Friday, December 24 Christmas Day Observance

Notes:



If you see the signs
Take the time....

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Neglect of the Elderly
or
Vulnerable Adults

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