

Transportation Options

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There are a variety of transportation options available for Reading residents. Below you will find the essentials and a contact phone number for each.

Happy and safe travels!



Program Name	Elder/Human Services Van
Eligibility	Reading resident - over age 60 and/or disabled
Purpose	Shopping and Senior Center
Cost to passenger	None
Hours of Operation	M-TH 9:00am - 3:00pm, F 9:00am - 1:00pm
Locations	Reading and very limited out-of-town
Wheelchair Lift	Yes
Policy/Procedures	Call 781-942-6794 at least 2 days in advance to request a ride.
Contact	For all non-medical rides, call 781-942-6794. For medical rides, call 781-942-6608.

Program Name	Reading Response Medical Transportation
Eligibility	Reading resident - any age - proof of income required
Purpose	In-town and out-of-town medical rides
Cost to passenger	Sliding scale - depends on income level
Hours of Operation	M-F 9:00am - 4:00pm
Locations	Any
Limitations	call for details
Wheelchair Lift	If requested
Policy/Procedures	Click here for detailed information and an application . Applications take time to process, register early.
Contact	Call 781-942-6608

Program Name	Shopping Escort - Volunteers
Eligibility	Reading resident - unable to shop unescorted
Purpose	Shopping, pharmacy
Cost to passenger	None
Hours of Operation	Anytime

Locations	Reading
Wheelchair Lift	No
Contact	To apply for the program, call 781-942-6659.

Program Name	Medical Escort - Volunteers
Eligibility	Reading resident; 60+ or disabled able to get to and from the car with minimal assistance
Purpose	Medical Appointment
Cost to passenger	Tolls and parking - donation to cover cost of gas is suggested
Hours of Operation	M-F 8:30am - 5:00pm
Locations	Any
Wheelchair Lift	No
Contact	To apply for the program and learn about additional criteria and limitation, call 781-942-6659.

Program Name	The RIDE (MBTA)
Eligibility	Physical, cognitive or emotional inability to use public transportation
Purpose	Any
Cost to passenger	Varies
Hours of Operation	M-Sun. 6:00am - 1:00am
Locations	Any
Wheelchair Lift	If requested
Contact	Call 781-942-6659 to begin the application process or visit the website to download the application .

Program Name	Mystic Valley Elder Services
Eligibility	Age 60+ and a Resident of Reading, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, N. Reading, Stoneham or Wakefield.
Purpose	Chemotherapy, Radiation, or Dialysis treatments
Cost to passenger	Donation
Hours of Operation	Anytime
Locations	Any