

Independent Transportation Network *LehighValley*

Message From The Executive Director

Four years and counting! That's how long Independent Transportation Network Lehigh Valley has been making a difference for seniors 60 and older and visually impaired adults in the Lehigh Valley. Since beginning ride service in Oct. 2013 to 4 member riders using 2 volunteer drivers, we have grown to 310 member riders utilizing 14 volunteer and 10 paid drivers. Thanks to you, ITNLV continues to offer guaranteed, personalized, 24 hour, door through door transportation service in private automobiles to any destination in the Lehigh Valley. No cash needed. No tipping allowed. It doesn't get much easier!

Rides matter especially when one can no longer drive. They matter to family members, they matter to the community at large. Without transportation, inability to access basic services, loss of independence, and isolation result. Much of life comes to a standstill. ITNLV works to ensure age-related mobility is not a reason to become home-bound. Age is inevitable. Age-related isolation doesn't have to be.

As we head into year five, many new challenges await. Our most urgent need is drivers. Maintenance of and expansion of service is impossible without drivers throughout the Lehigh Valley. We are so grateful to our volunteer drivers who selflessly deliver much more than simply a ride. If you are interested in a flexible volunteer opportunity where you can earn mileage credit for every mile you drive, please call 610-419-1645 or complete a [Volunteer Driver Application](#) on our website www.itnlehighvalley.org.

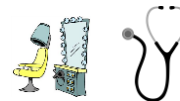
Finally, as we head into the winter months, please consider iTN*LehighValley* for your (or a loved one's) transportation needs. The door through door, arm through arm service we provide helps insure a safe travel experience. Don't take a chance....call us in advance.

Lois Favier
Executive Director

FAST FACTS



- 2017 - 6,704 rides
- Total Rides to date - 23,549
- Member Riders – 310
- Total Occupied Miles - 121,079



WHERE DO WE GO



- Hair Salons
- Medical Appointments
- Eye Appointments
- Grocery Stores
- Religious Services

Volunteers & Drivers

4 Years of Service

William Favier
Gretchen Gray

3 Years of Service

Lucy Edwards
Daniel LaFaver
Peter Oswald
Karen Yellin

2 Years of Service

Rebecca Ames
Christine Bartleson
Diane Dilendik
Ronnie Freedberg
Brittany Holben
Dennis Roebuck

1 Year of Service

Adele Bon Shannon
Bob Hetrick
Cindy Rifenburg
Shanel Vinson

Others

Robert Clarke
Dennis Esandrio
Mathew Huff
Peggy Irby
Anita Moyer
Judy Palmer
Leona Russoli
Candace Steffie
Lucy Summers

Board Members

Adele Bon Shannon
Beth Williams Boyer
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WHO RIDES WITH ITNLV

Carolyn and Gail ride with iTN*LehighValley* to dialysis appointments, Kathleen gets to her cancer treatments, Lydia can get to the health food store, Evelyn goes to her exercise class 2 days per week, Ginny gets to her weekly hairdresser appointment and her favorite diner for lunch, and Gloria can bowl every Tuesday with friends. Where would you or your loved one like to go?

Why Do Rides Matter

"I am better able to make and keep health care appointments."

"I feel I am less of a burden on others."

"I don't have to drive w/ eyes dilated. "

"The program is excellent and helps me to live independently."

DID YOU KNOW

- 40% of iTN riders have household incomes below \$25,000
- 80% of iTN riders are female
- 78% of iTN riders are over age 75
- 50% of iTN riders still have a drivers license
- 96.9% of iTN survey respondents reported service to be excellent or very good



Gift Certificate



Give the gift of transportation this holiday season. With an iTN*LehighValley* [Gift Certificate](#), you can add to an existing rider's Personal Transportation Account or purchase a new rider membership. Call 610-419-1645 for details.

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Thank you to the following donors over the past 24 months

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whose closed account balances
were donated back to
iTNLehighValley**

Your [gift to iTNLehighValley](#) makes a difference to seniors and the visually impaired in the Lehigh Valley. Thank you for your generosity!

Is Your Company Interested in Sponsoring Rides for Seniors?

Thanks to a generous grant from Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, **iTNLehighValley riders have taken thousands of dollars in eye care trips at no charge** over the past few years. We deliver an average of \$500 worth of rides per month. Thank you, Regeneron! To explore ride sponsorship, please contact iTNLehighValley at 610-419-1645. What a great way for your business to support Lehigh Valley seniors!