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# **iTNSarasota**™

### Dignified transportation for seniors

Become a Member Rider or Volunteer Today!



Amelia Golfinos traded her '98 Dodge Neon for Rides!

## ITNSarasota Partnership with DeWitt Motors

DeWitt Motors, who operates its sales center on the corner of Bee Ridge and Tuttle, and owns Practical Car Rental on Osprey Ave. - will

#### ITN*Sarasota* Grant Awards

We are proud to announce that the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, Inc. from the James Franklin Warnell & Dorothy J. Warnell Fund, has awarded ITN Sarasota a grant in the amount of \$50,000 to continue to provide transportation for seniors and adults with visual impairment.

"Since our launch in 2008, the Community Foundation has supported and encouraged the mission of ITNSarasota and we are grateful for their continued support," said Chris Pinckney ITNSarasota Board Chairman.

team with ITN to provide fair market pricing on donated vehicles and provide a labor discount on work done to ITN vehicles, provide a labor discount for all ITN volunteer drivers and work with ITN on a reciprocal marketing agreement.

"We are proud to support ITN Sarasota in their mission of helping those who can no longer drive," states Michelle Kapreilian, owner/GM of DeWitt Motors. "Our goal is to help them reduce their operating costs for the cars they operate and help them generate new revenue from cars donated and referrals converting to sales. We look forward to a long and successful partnership."

In our first month of partnership, DeWitt helped ITNSarasota negotiate the successful transfer of a 1998 Dodge Neon to rides for new member rider Amelia Golfinos. Amelia is pictured above on the day of the trade. She is no longer able to drive and the value of the vehicle became the start of her mobility with ITNSarasota!

ITNSarasota has also received funding from Publix Super Markets Charities (\$1,000), from SCAN, the Sarasota County Aging Network (\$1,000), and, our latest grant award is from the Bank of America Client Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.

We look forward to developing solid partnerships with each in the coming months.

As a young and growing non- profit with an important mission, these funds are critical. We are grateful to each one of these organizations for making it possible for us to increase our network of volunteer drivers; maintain our small fleet of vehicles and transport close to 200 member riders. We are proud to work with the grant writing firm of Gulf Coast Fund Development, Inc., Amanda Marshall, President.

#### Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers Drivers are the heart and soul of ITNSarasota. Our member riders are growing as the news of our services grows, but

### Trade or Donate Your Vehicle

If you or a loved one can no longer drive, you can turn your unused vehicle into mobility! The value of a vehicle can open your own *Personal* 

Transportation Account
with ITNSarasota and you will
soon be on your way! For
more information call Pat
Koerner or Caroline Chambliss
at 364-7530. Vehicles can also
be donated to ITNSarasota
and a donation is tax
deductible.

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appreciates your donation toward expenses such as gas, maintenance, and the rising costs associated with providing rides to seniors and the visually impaired. Thank you!

this increase *must* be matched by an equal number of volunteer drivers. If you want to make it possible for someone to visit a friend or relative, get to a medical appointment or buy groceries, please call Caroline Chambliss at 364-7529 or send an e-mail to caroline.chambliss@itnsarasota.org

A small donation of time will open new worlds for those who can no longer drive, and you will be amazed by our member riders...wonderful friendships and relationships are formed out on the road.

#### A Gift of Rides

Gifting rides to a member account is the perfect gift for a birthday, Christmas, Hanukkah or any time at all! To give a gift of rides to the ITN Sarasota member in your life, call Pat Koerner or Caroline Chambliss at 364-7530. A gift of rides adds mobility and freedom...and makes anything possible.

## Free Rides to Vote

ITNSarasota will offer free rides to the polls to the first ten member riders that call Pat at 364-7530 to schedule a ride for Election Day.
Call now for a free trip and Vote!



ITNSarasota Board Member Art Mahoney Helping a Member Rider at Publix

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