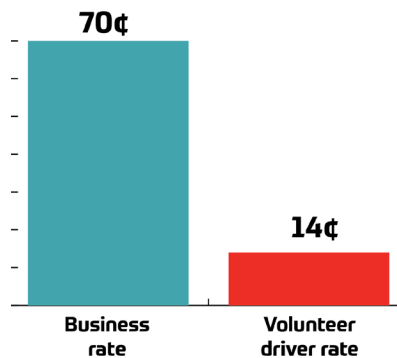# Call to Action

The Volunteer Driver Coalition is working to **keep people living and thriving in their communities** by protecting the viability of volunteer driver programs.

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C O A L I T I O N

Our Goals

We strive to eliminate barriers that make it difficult for drivers to volunteer their time and for organizations to maintain volunteer driver programs.

The Situation

Volunteer drivers provide **millions of rides** each year for older adults and other non-drivers, giving them access to healthcare and other essential community services and products. Organizations with volunteer driver programs face challenges when volunteers are reluctant to provide rides due to liability for federal income tax. We should not penalize volunteers for helping their neighbors.

70¢ Business rate

14¢ Volunteer driver rate

Must Pass Legislation

We aim to increase the federal reimbursement rate for volunteer drivers to match the rate set by the IRS for business mileage (70 cents per mile). Volunteers provide a valuable service, contributing their time and knowledge. They should receive the same financial benefit for mileage costs as business drivers.

Rep. Pete Stauber (R-MN-8) introduced the **Volunteer Driver Tax Appreciation Act of 2025** (H.R. 1582) together with co-sponsor Rep. Angie Craig (D-MN-2). Rep. Jack Bergman (R-MI-1), Rep. Brad Finstad (R-MN-1), Rep. Michelle Fischbach (R-MN-7), Rep. Seth Magaziner (D-RI-2), Rep. Kelly Morrison (D-MN-3), Rep. Derrick Van Orden (R-WI-3) and Rep. Eugene Vindman (D-VA-7) have also signed on as co-sponsors. Senators Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Ted Budd (R-NC) are co-sponsors of the Senate companion bill (S. 1177).

How You Can Help

Sign on as a supporter of the Volunteer Driver Tax Appreciation Act by contacting dkittelson@trellisconnects.org. We'll add your organization to the growing roster of champions! Ask your members of Congress to co-sponsor H.R. 1582 and support its goals to strengthen volunteer driver programs that connect older adults to healthcare and essential community services.

Find updates at volunteerdrivermn.org

Help us pass H.R. 1582

Increase the volunteer driver reimbursement rate

from 14 cents to match the business mileage rate (currently 70 cents per mile)

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List of Supporters for the
Volunteer Driver Tax Appreciation Act of 2025

National Supporters

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American Red Cross

Association of Fundraising Professionals

Association of Leaders in Volunteer Engagement (AL!VE)

Community Transportation Association of America

Girl Scouts of the USA

Galaxy Digital

Independent Sector

Meals on Wheels America

Mental Health America

National Association of Towns and Townships

National Alliance for Volunteer Engagement

National Council of Nonprofits

National Volunteer Caregiving Network

USAging

YMCA of the USA

Regional Supporters

Age Well Arrowhead

Alliance for Community Transportation

Alliance of Arizona Nonprofits + Arizona Grantmakers Forum

Anoka County RSVP

Anoka County Transit

Apra Maryland

Arc Northland

Argyle Hope Program

Arizona Trail Association

Arrowhead Area Agency on Aging

Arrowhead Regional Development Commission

Arrowhead Transit

Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC)

Assumption Community Faith in Action

Big Woods Transit - NEMT Program

Bois Forte Band of Chippewa

Bois Forte Public Transportation

Brown County Heartland Express

California Association of Nonprofits

CARE-Community Action Respecting Elders

Care Partners of Cook County

Center for Victims of Torture

Central Community Transit

Central Minnesota Council on Aging

Colorado Nonprofit Association

Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc.

Community Thread

Community Volunteer Transportation Company

Connecticut Community Nonprofit Alliance

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Delaware Alliance for Nonprofit Advancement

Disability Network West Michigan

East Central Regional Transportation Coordinating Council

East Side Elders

ElderCircle

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Florida Nonprofit Alliance

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Idaho Nonprofit Center

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Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis

Kentucky Nonprofit Network

Keystone Community Services

Koochiching Aging Options

Living at Home Network

Living at Home of the Park Rapids Area

Maine Association of Nonprofits

Michigan Nonprofit Association

Mid-Minnesota Development Commission

Minnesota Alliance for Volunteer Advancement

Minnesota Association of Area Agencies on Aging

Minnesota Association of Townships

Minnesota Community Action Partnership

Minnesota Council of Nonprofits

Minnesota Council on Transportation Access

Minnesota Public Transit Association

Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging

Minnesota Social Service Association

Mississippi Alliance of Nonprofits and Philanthropy

Monadnock Regional Coordinating Council for Community Transportation

Montana Nonprofit Association

Neighborhood Network for Seniors

NetworkPeninsula

New Hampshire Transit Association

New Jersey Center for Nonprofits

New Mexico Thrives

New York Council of Nonprofits

Nonprofit Association of the Midlands

Nonprofit Association of Washington

North Carolina Center for Nonprofits

North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations

North Shore Area Partners

Northwest Regional Development Commission

Parents Inspired

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Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations

PHASE-Industries

Prairie Five C.A.C., Inc.

Productive Alternatives Volunteer Driver Program

Providers' Council

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Senior Services Consortium of Ramsey County

Southeastern Minnesota Area Agency on Aging

Southwest Regional Transportation Coordinating Council

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Stephen Living at Home/ Block Nurse Program

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The Nonprofit Association of Oregon

Three Rivers Community Action, Inc.

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United Way of Steele County

Utah Nonprofits Association

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Volunteer Services of Carlton County, Inc.

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West Central Minnesota Communities Action, Inc.

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Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network

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