Phoenixville Community Health Foundation 2025-2026 Ride for Health Program

Introduction

Thank you for participating in PCHF's Ride for Health program! Please read this document carefully, as program processes and requirements have changed.

Program Description

Ride for Health is designed to help individuals in the Greater Phoenixville Area who have no other means of transportation to get to and from healthcare or human/social service-related appointments.

Participating organizations may apply for grants of up to \$2,500 to help support the transportation needs of their clients.

This grant will support internal Lyft Business or Uber Business dashboard rides, Lyft or Uber gift cars, and SEPTA transportation passes to help transport clients who qualify for Ride for Health.

Please note: PCHF is no longer offering SEPTA Key Cards. Participating organizations may now use funds to order and distribute cards as needed, within eligibility guidelines.

RFI Initiative Eligibility Criteria

The Ride for Health Initiative is designed to help individuals in the **Greater Phoenixville Area** who have no other means of transportation to get to and from healthcare or human/social service-related appointments.

Participating organizations must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Organizations must be an invitee of the RFH grant initiative and have received the passcode from PCHF staff.
- 2. Organizations may not have outstanding RFH funds. However, invited organizations may apply for more funding once funds are spent and any reports are completed.

Participating partners must ensure all *rides* meet the following criteria:

Anything healthcare **OR** human/social services related such as:

- 1. Health Care
 - Medical
 - Eye exams
 - Dental

- Mental health/counseling
- WIC
- Pharmacy
- Physical therapy
- Other healthcare related appointments
- 2. Human/Social Services
 - Applying for Welfare, Medical Assistance, SNAP, and other benefits
 - Parole hearings
 - Substance abuse treatment
 - Job training

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- Travel to a shelter for those experiencing domestic abuse or homelessness
- Other human/social services related appointments

Participating partners must ensure all *clients* meet the following criteria:

The Client must **LIVE** in one of the following townships or boroughs to participate:

•	Charlestown	•	Lower Pottsgrove	•	South Coventry
•	Collegeville	•	Lower Providence	•	Spring City
•	East Coventry	•	North Coventry	•	Trappe
•	East Nantmeal	•	Phoenixville	•	Upper Providence
•	East Pikeland	•	Royersford	•	West Pikeland
•	East Vincent	•	Schuylkill	•	West Vincent

Client's ride must **NOT** be eligible for the *Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP*). Click here or call 610-344-5545 to determine eligibility.

Chester County residents aged 65 or older needing transportation to healthcare-related appointments are **NOT** eligible for the *Transportation Grant funds* as they are eligible for free transportation to healthcare appointments through *ChescoConnect*. Visit <u>ChescoConnect</u>'s website for more information.

Exception: Phoenixville residents aged 65 or older that need same-day emergency medical appointments or surgical procedures that are outside the normal ChescoConnect hours.

Clients must **NOT** be eligible for any other free transportation program or stipend.

Resources for Coordinating Rides

Participating agencies may coordinate rides via ride share, gift card, or SEPTA Key Card passes.

Rideshares:

- Set up an Uber Business account <u>here.</u>
 - View instructions on setting up your profile here.

- Set up a Lyft Business account <u>here</u>
 - O View instructions on setting up your profile here
- You may also use funds to buy Uber or Lyft gift cards to give to your clients. Gift cards can be purchased online.

Septa Key Cards

- Nonprofit organizations and social agencies can apply for a SEPTA Key Partner Pass which allows agencies to pre-purchase and distribute passes in bulk. More information is available here.
- Organizations can apply for a partnership <u>here.</u>

For any questions regarding ride coordination, please contact Sam Anthony at santhony@pchf.net.