# **Background**

Piattran's mission is to provide accessible transportation to the general public that travel within or to Piatt County, IL. This program is funded by IDOT through a pass-through grant of FTA Section 5311 and IL Downstate Operating Assistance Program. Additionally, local match funding comes from Piatt County Board, individual and township/village donations, as well as service contracts with human service agencies.

Piattran's bus fleet is fully accessible with lifts and securements for mobility devices not exceeding 800 lbs. Anyone can ride Piattran. However, school age children are transported only when school bus service is not available or when they require special assistance not offered by school bus services.

Piattran does not deny service or otherwise discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, or disability.

# **Personal Assistance**

Drivers will assist getting on and off our buses, and to your doorway as needed.

Drivers can carry up to 5 packages (no more than 10 pounds each) and place those items just inside your threshold.

Due to insurance, drivers cannot assist you beyond the threshold of your doorway. However, a personal care attendant may ride at no extra charge. When a personal care attendant is riding with you, the driver will not be expected to assist with packages or provide assistance between the curb and doorway.

<u>Service animals</u> must be declared to the dispatcher when scheduling the ride.

### **Fare Definitions**

Cash Fares and Pass Credit for regular service is charged based on demographic grouping defined below:

- Under 6 Rides for free if accompanied by a paying adult rider
- Student Under 18 / Attends College or Job Training Program
- **Adult** Ages 19 to 59
- Senior Over 60 \*\*See inside brochure about over 60 rider program\*\*
- Disabled Completes rider registration form detailing disability.

### Adult Fares

### Per Trip Cash Rate

In City / In Village	\$3.00
In County	
Out of County	

### Per Trip Prepaid \$55 Pass-Credit Rate

In City of Monticello	\$2.00
In County	
Out of County	\$5.50

### Student, Senior, Disabled Fares

### Per Trip Cash Rate

In City / In Village	\$2.00
In County	\$4.00
Out of County	\$6.00

### Per Trip Prepaid \$40 Pass-Credit Rate

In City of Mo	nticello\$1.75
In County	\$3.00
Out of County	y\$4.00

Rates are for each one-way trip. Trips are assumed to be direct, point-to-point, with no waiting or lay-over for the driver.



# PIATT COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (217) 762-7821

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Brochures in Alternative Formats are made available upon request.

# **Scheduling Rides**

Call (217) 762-7821 at least one business day prior by 12:30 pm to schedule your ride.

For demand response public transportation routes, Piattran does not have bus stops, but instead picks you up and drops you off at your pre-arranged destination.

We request 1 business day advance reservations. However, if space and time is available we will accommodate same day requests.

To keep our services affordable, we try to accommodate as many requests as possible. Therefore, we ask all of our riders to be ready 15 minutes prior to their pickup time, and to allow for our buses to run 15 minutes behind schedule pickup times. Please be aware that we are public transportation and as such cannot guarantee arrival or departure times although we make every conceivable effort to meet your scheduled needs and requests.

# **Hours of Operation**

### **Demand Response Routes**

Monday.....6AM - 6PM Tuesday.....6AM - 6PM Wednesday.....6AM - 6PM Thursday.....6AM - 6PM Friday.....6AM - 6PM\*\* Saturday - \*\*See website\*\* Sunday - Closed

\*\*Check website for evening Friday and Saturday daytime pilot routes\*\*

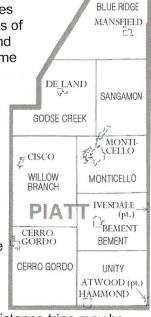
Office Hours

Monday – Friday.....8am – 5pm

## Routing

In-City or In-Village rides are within a 5-mile radius of municipal boundaries and begin and end in the same city/town.

Out of County Routing includes approximately 2-3 daily round trips connecting Champaign-Urbana and Decatur urbanized areas. On a monthly basis, trips to Springfield, Peoria, and Arcola / Arthur /Tuscola may be available, please contact dispatch if interested in these destinations.



Additional special long distance trips may be possible if within the state of Illinois and is not offered by another private operator.

In County Routing on a daily basis Piattran serves all Townships/Villages connecting to Monticello and surrounding counties. However, arrival and departure availability is based on demand and availability of buses on a given day. By scheduling further in advance, Piattran can more easily ensure the preferred times are possible.

**Special Service** transportation can be arranged for riders that cannot ride on regular routes. For more information on Special Service pricing and availability, contact the Piattran office at (217) 762-7821.

Emergency Procedures vehicles may not operate when roads are unsafe due to inclement weather. Should Piattran close, passengers will be contacted on an individual basis.

# **Payment Options**

**Cash Fare** is usually paid by the infrequent rider. Please have the correct fare ready to pay as you board, <u>drivers cannot make change</u>.

Pass Credit is the best option for the frequent rider. By setting up a pre-paid account with us, it will reduce your overall fare prices. For Adult riders, a minimum of a \$55 credit as to be paid. For Students, Seniors, or Disabled riders, a minimum of a \$40 credit as to be paid. The Pass Credit method also gives you a great degree of flexibility as it can be applied to anyone that you designate as a rider under your account, and is not limited to rides in a specific geographic area, i.e. "In County vs. Out of County".

IL Medicaid and Managed Care Insurance recipients may be eligible for non-emergency medical transportation. If you plan on using this coverage for your fares, please schedule transportation at least 10 business days prior to your appointment, to allow for getting approval from those entities.

**Agency Service Contracts** can be negotiated with Piattran to provide transportation for your customers.

Seniors over 60 Registered Riders are allowed unlimited free rides on regularly scheduled routes In County and one roundtrip per month Out of County. No fare is required for rides scheduled under this designation however donations are appreciated.