

Sandown Senior Affairs Transportation Program (SSATP)

This group of volunteers was formed in 2013 to help the senior residents of Sandown who have limited transportation options with medical appointment related transportation needs.

We provide safe, friendly rides to Sandown senior residents who are ill or with limited mobility and in need of transport to doctor, dentist, and medical treatments free of charge.

Transportation is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm depending on our drivers' availability. Pre-registration is required to participate in the program. We provide transport from Sandown to as far away as Portsmouth, Concord, North Andover and occasional rides to in Boston. All requested destinations are at the discretion of the volunteer drivers.

All volunteer drivers have a driving history and background check completed by the Sandown Police Dept. and the NH Department of Safety before driving for SSATP.

Those interested in obtaining more information about the program are invited to email SandownRides@gmail.com or contact the Sandown Town Hall Selectmen's office.

In 2023 our volunteers provided 123 round trip rides totaling 4,240 miles. Since the program began, we have assisted our residents with a total of 1,545 rides that amounted to 61,138 miles.

We always have a need for additional volunteer drivers to help ensure we can fulfill all ride requests. A driver that can help with just 1 ride a month makes a big difference to our residents in need! Driver's sign-up for rides based on the driver's availability and are reimbursed 40 cents for each mile assigned to the ride.

The committee is always looking for more community members to join the Board in various capacities, not limited to attending quarterly board meeting and involvement with riders. Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at the town hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Acting Director, Treasurer & Driver for Sandown Senior Affairs