Jemal Powell Chair of the Suburban ADA Advisory Committee



s summer changes into fall, I have observed many people utilizing the services Pace has to offer. Whether it's ADA Paratransit service or accessible fixed bus routes, people

independently because of the services that are provided now, which were not available in the past.

In the coming months, I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming ADA Advisory Committee meeting, as well as upcoming budget hearings, where you can voice your concerns about the future direction of Pace and its services. I encourage you to contact your legislators during the upcoming election season to discuss improved funding of mass transit in order to maintain and expand high-quality Pace service.



TRIPCHECK HELPFUL INFORMATION

TripCheck helps users view and cancel scheduled rides without having to call a carrier. You can access the tool today by visiting PaceBus.com/TripCheck.

with disabilities have the opportunity to get around

If you want to cancel a trip, you must do so two or more hours before its scheduled time. You can also view past trip details.

Who can use TripCheck?

- Paratransit riders in the City of Chicago
- Paratransit riders in the Chicago suburbs
- Users of Pace-operated Dial-a-Ride services

How to Sign-Up

To sign up, email TripCheck@PaceBus.com. Please include in your email:

- Full name
- Date of birth
- Home & mailing address
- Home & mobile phone numbers
- Email address
- ADA certification number (if applicable)

We'll then set up your account and email you a client ID and a temporary password.

How does it work?

Once you've set up your permanent password, your account is ready to use. Visit PaceBus. com/TripCheck to log in. Once you're logged in, you can view all the trips you currently

have scheduled and pull up a map of pickup and drop-off locations. You can check your itinerary, and—if you'd like—you can cancel it. Please note: if you want to cancel a trip, you must do so two or more hours before its scheduled time. You can even see old trips on TripCheck, too.

TripCheck Highlights

Here are other things to keep in mind when planning your trip:

- ADA-certified riders can ride a taxi in the City of Chicago for a discounted fare, which can be faster. Sign up for this program at TAPandMD.com.
- Plan your trips during less-busy times (11 a.m.–2 p.m.) to avoid traffic.
- Public transit means sharing your ride.
 Your ride might not always take the most
 direct route due to pick-ups and drop-offs of
 other riders. Expect your ride to take about
 as long as a fixed route bus trip.
- It costs less to ride a fixed route bus, you don't need to make a reservation, and stops are scheduled for easier planning.

Note: We consider trips "on time" if we arrive within 15 mins. (suburbs), 20 mins. (city). This accounts for traffic, weather, and other delays.

PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT (PCA) AND COMPANION POLICIES

As a paratransit rider, it is understandable that you or your caregiver may feel more comfortable with you traveling with a companion on a public transit service. If that is the case, Pace recommends you consider riding with a personal care attendant (PCA). Be assured that your PCA rides for free on ADA paratransit service.

As defined in the ADA regulations, a PCA is "someone designated or employed specifically to help the eligible individual meet his or her personal needs." A personal care attendant typically assists with one or more daily life activities such as providing personal care, performing manual tasks or providing assistance with mobility or communication. Because ADA paratransit is a form of public transportation, paratransit drivers aren't able to provide services beyond assisting customers with boarding and existing the vehicle. Thus, Pace recommends that riders who aren't able to navigate a trip on their own should have a PCA accompany them. Pace permits one PCA to ride with an ADA-eligible customer if the customer has been certified by the RTA to ride with a PCA. The PCA is not charged a fare.

UPCOMING SUBURBAN ADA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All Suburban ADA Advisory Committee Meetings are held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at:

Upcoming 2018 Meetings:

Pace Headquarters 550 W. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005 Tuesday, November 27, 2018

Pace will be holding public hearings on its proposed program and budget for the year 2019 (January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019), the operating financial plan for 2019-2021 and the capital plan for 2019-2023. Find dates and locations below:

LAKE COUNTY

Monday, October 22, 2018 3:30pm - 5:30pm **Waukegan Public Library Bradbury Room, Lower Level** 128 N. County Street, Waukegan, IL 60085

WILL COUNTY

Monday, October 22, 2018 3:00pm - 5:00pm Joliet Public Library Meeting Room B, Second Level 150 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

NORTH COOK COUNTY

Tuesday, October 23, 2018 4:00pm - 6:00pm Pace Headquarters, Room 131 B 550 W. Algonquin Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005

SOUTHWEST COUNTY

Wednesday, October 24, 2018 4:00pm - 6:00pm **Worth Village Hall Board Room** 7112 W. 111th Street Worth, IL 60482

WEST COOK COUNTY

Thursday, October 25, 2018 4:00pm - 6:00pm **Howard Mohr Community Center** 7640 Jackson Boulevard Forest Park, IL 60130

McHENRY COUNTY

Thursday, October 25, 2018 4:30pm - 5:30pm **Crystal Lake Municipal Complex Council Chambers** 100 W. Woodstock St., Crystal Lake, IL 60014

KANE COUNTY

Monday, October 29, 2018 4:00pm - 6:00pm **Kane County Government Center** Auditorium, Ground Floor 719 S. Batavia Avenue Geneva, IL 60134

SOUTH COOK COUNTY

Monday, October 29, 2018 4:00pm - 6:00pm **Homewood Village Hall Board Room** 2020 Chestnut Road Homewood, IL 60430

DUPAGE COUNTY

Tuesday, October 30, 2018 4:00pm - 6:00pm **DuPage County Government Center** Room 3500 B 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, IL 60187

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