

Rideshare Access Program (RAP)

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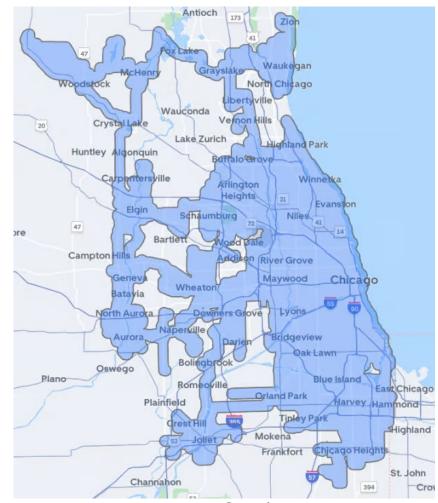
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Pace's Rideshare Access Program



- Launched March 2024; user side subsidy program for Transportation Network Company (TNC) trips (Uber/ UZURV)
- Riders must have ADA
 Certification, TNC account, & register through Pace's website
- Riders will use their TNC app to book trips and use their e-voucher when booking eligible trips



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TNC Operations with RAP



- RAP only provides users a fixed subsidy; <u>does not</u> have any oversight or control over the TNC operations.
- TNC policies cover:
 - Hiring of drivers
 - Types of vehicles available
 - Surcharges
 - Customer service
 - Booking trips
- TNCs have limited Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles (WAV).
- WAV vehicle surcharge is \$65 for Uber & \$45 for UZURV.

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Option for County RAP Programs



- Counties can piggyback off Pace's contract to offer a RAP program of their own through an IGA.
- Counties can determine:
 - Subsidy amount
 - Upfront fare paid before subsidy is accessed
 - Rider eligibility
 - Service area
- Counties are responsible for:
 - Registering riders (County staff time to vet applications)
 - 100% of any subsidy
 - \$1.50 per trip administrative fee (Uber trips)
- Pace has limited involvement (contract admin and invoicing)

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Feedback and Direction



Should DOT staff continue to investigate the potential for a Lake County subsidized program?

- Rider eligibility, service area, service parameters, subsidy amount
- Funding source/grants
 - County contribution similar to Ride Lake County
- Advocate for regional paratransit service through transit reform

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Thank You

Using Pace's RAP



- Must start & end trip in Pace ADA Service (3/4 mile of fixed route Pace or CTA bus)
- Riders pay the first \$2.00 of TNC trip, Pace subsidizes the trip after the first \$2.00 up to \$30.00
- Eligible riders must pay:
 - any portion of the cost of the trip that exceeds \$30.00;
 - TNC surcharges applicable to the trip (e.g., advance booking surcharge);
 - any driver tip.
- Pace will subsidize no more than eight trips per day for each eligible rider enrolled in RAP.

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