

## Berrien County Senior Service Providers

Senior Center / Origins	Destinations	Center Hours	Transportation Hours	Number of Vehicles	Popular Destinations
<b>Benton Harbor/Benton Twp. Senior Center</b> <i>City of Benton Harbor, Benton Township</i> <b>Contact: Thelma Branch</b> <b>(269) 927-2497</b> <a href="mailto:bhbtss@aol.com">bhbtss@aol.com</a>	St. Joseph, Royalton Twp. Lincoln Twp. St. Joseph Twp. City of Benton Harbor, Benton Twp.	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00-4:30pm	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  9:00-4:00pm	Three vans  <b>WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE - 1 VAN</b>	Lakeland Hospital: St. Joseph Royalton Medical
<b>City of Buchanan Senior Center</b> <i>City of Buchanan Townships: Buchanan, Bertrand (West of US 31) Weesaw (East of Cleveland)</i> <b>Contact: Monroe Lemay</b> <b>(269) 695-7119</b> <a href="mailto:bascdir@comcast.net">bascdir@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://www.buchananareaseniorcenter.com">http://www.buchananareaseniorcenter.com</a>	City of Buchanan, Buchanan Twp., City of Niles, Niles Twp., St. Joseph medical, South Bend, IN	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  9:00am-4:00pm	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  9:00am-4:00pm	One van 6 passenger, <b>WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORT AVAILABLE: -WITH BERRIEN BUS, BUCHANAN BUS</b>	Lakeland Hospital Niles
<b>Central County Senior Center</b> <i>Villages: Baroda, Berrien Springs, Eau Claire Townships: Berrien, Sodus, Oronoko, Baroda, Pipestone,. Royalton (South of Marquette Woods Rd and East of the River)</i> <b>Contact: Janet Medlin</b> <b>(269) 471-2017</b> <a href="mailto:ccscdir@att.net">ccscdir@att.net</a>	Niles, St. Joseph, Benton Harbor	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:30pm	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  9 am-3 pm	Three vans 5 passenger One van 7 passenger One van 15 passenger <b>WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE - 2 vans</b>	Lakeland Hospital: St. Joseph Royalton Medical  Benton Harbor shopping
<b>Niles Senior Center</b> <i>City of Niles, Townships: Niles, Bertrand Township (East of US 31)</i> <b>Contact: Kathryn Ender</b> <a href="mailto:nilesseniorcenter@sbcglobal.net">nilesseniorcenter@sbcglobal.net</a> <b>(269) 683-9380</b> <a href="http://nilesseniorcenter.org/">http://nilesseniorcenter.org/</a>	City of Niles City of Buchanan South Bend Medical destinations. Battle Creek veterans' facility with DAV van.	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:00pm	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:00pm	One van 4-5 passengers One van 6 passengers  <b>WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE - 1 van</b>	Lakeland Hospital Niles South Bend area Medical facilities
<b>North Berrien Senior Services</b> <i>Cities: Watervliet, Coloma Townships: Coloma, Hagar, Watervliet, Bainbridge</i> <b>Contact: Sue Dahlquist</b> <b>(269) 468-5682</b> <a href="mailto:nbsc1@i2k.com">nbsc1@i2k.com</a> <a href="http://www.northberrienseniorcenter.org/">http://www.northberrienseniorcenter.org/</a>	Hartford, Coloma, Watervliet, St. Joseph, Benton Harbor	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:00pm	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  9:00am-3:00pm	Two vans 6 passenger  One sedan 4 passenger <b>WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VAN - 1</b>	Royalton Watervliet Meijer - Benton Harbor
<b>St. Joseph Lincoln Senior Services</b> <i>City of St. Joseph, Townships: St. Joseph, Lincoln, Royalton (Scottsdale area only) Villages: Shoreham, Stevensville</i> <b>Contact: Shirley Reichert, SDC</b> <b>(269) 429-7768</b> <a href="mailto:directorsjlsc@comcast.net">directorsjlsc@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://www.sjlsc.org/">http://www.sjlsc.org/</a>	City of St. Joseph, St. Joseph Twp. Lincoln Twp. Royalton Twp. Village of Stevensville Benton Twp. City of Benton Harbor	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:00pm	<b>Mon. Wed. Friday</b> 8:15 am- 12:15pm  <b>Tues. &amp; Thursday</b> 8:15 am - 2:30 pm	One bus 12 passenger One van One SUV <b>WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORT AVAILABLE WITH BERRIEN BUS</b>	Lakeland Hospital St Joseph Royalton Benton Harbor
<b>River Valley Senior Services</b> <i>Cities: New Buffalo, Bridgman Villages: Galien, Bridgman, Three Oaks, Michiana, Grand Beach Lake, Townships: Chikaming, Weesaw (West of Cleveland Ave.), Three Oaks, New Buffalo, Galien</i> <b>Contact: Tim Hawkins</b> <b>(269) 469-4556</b> <a href="mailto:rvsc@comcast.net">rvsc@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://www.rvseniorcenter.org/">http://www.rvseniorcenter.org/</a>	New Buffalo, Three Oaks, Galien Twp. Lake Twp. Bridgman St. Joseph Benton Harbor Royalton Twp.	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:00pm	<b>Monday-Friday</b>  8:00am-4:00pm	Two vans 5 passenger  Two vans 8 passenger  <b>WHEEL CHAIR ACCESSIBLE - 2 vans</b>	Lakeland Hospital, St. Joseph Royalton Meijer - Stevensville Michigan City, IN

### Cass County Council on Aging Transportation

Contact: Wendy Sanders,

Phone: 269-445-8110 Email: [wendys@casscoa.org](mailto:wendys@casscoa.org)

<http://www.casscoa.org/>

Note: Cass County Council on Aging provides transportation to out of county medical appointments. The team of volunteer drivers may drive their own cars or drive the accessible van. Trip requests for trips within Cass County should be made to Cass County Public Transit, phone: 269-445-2455.

## **Van Buren Senior Services Transportation**

Contact: Kathy Terpstra

Phone: 269-655-8000 or 888-899-8687 Email: [kterpstra@ss-vbc.org](mailto:kterpstra@ss-vbc.org)

Van Buren Transit phone: 269-427-7921. [http://www.seniorservices-vbc.org/#!](http://www.seniorservices-vbc.org/)

## **SENIOR SERVICES TRANSPORTATION OVERVIEW**

### **Berrien County**

Adults sixty years and older can receive services from seven independently operated senior service centers and meal sites located throughout Berrien County. Each of the seven centers is supported financially by a countywide senior millage that provides approximately two million dollars annually in funding. This funding helps support activities, transportation and facilities at each of the seven centers across the county. Each independently operated senior center provides transportation services to older adults who reside within their service area. However, the frequency and service area varies from one senior center to the next. For example, an older adult who resides in the Central Berrien County Service area has access to countywide and cross-county transportation services, while someone who lives in the Benton Harbor or St. Joseph senior services area only has access to destinations in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph. Within each of the seven senior centers service areas the hours of service vary and the ability to access various destinations. **As of July 1, 2016, all of the senior centers will either provide wheelchair accessible transportation in their vans or will make arrangements with Berrien Bus to transport seniors who use a wheelchair. Call each senior center or see their web site for details as to how to make arrangements.**

### **Cass County**

Cass County Council on Aging is supported with a county-wide millage that financially supports several services including adult day care, the senior nutrition program, meals on wheels, fitness, various support groups, homecare and transportation. The majority of the services are housed in Cassopolis, but some services require travel outside county boundaries. Cass County Council on Aging provides transportation for medical trips that require travel outside of the county and they also contract with Cass County Public Transit to provide a discounted \$5.00 round-trip shopping trip once a month to Shelton's Farm Market and Super Wal-Mart in Niles. A seventy-two-hour advance reservation is required and seniors must be registered with the Cass County Council on Aging.

### **Van Buren County**

Van Buren County Senior Services coordinates countywide transportation with Van Buren Public Transit for rides to and from the central and satellite locations. Transportation is also available if an older adult desires to attend programs at other sites throughout the county. Service locations currently include: Warren Senior Center in South Haven, Simpson Methodist Church in Bangor, Black River Commons in Bangor, Harbor View in South Haven, Columbia Township Hall, and other locations as scheduled. The Van Buren Senior Services also provides qualifying seniors with transportation to and from medical care appointments by connecting seniors with volunteer drivers or handicap-accessible rides through Van Buren Emergency Medical Services and Van Buren Public Transit, as funds allow.

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