



CHICAGO

PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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Wheelchair Accessible Taxi Owner-Operator Incentive Subsidy Reminders

The Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) continues its efforts to support transportation options for people who use wheelchairs. BACP offers multiple Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle subsidies to increase and support the transportation needs for people with disabilities.

-WAV Taxi Owner-Operator Subsidy-

- BACP supports WAV taxi owners who also are the sole driver of the WAV taxi.
- Applicants must meet the requirements listed on the [WAV Taxi Owner Operator Subsidy Request Application](#).
- Subsidy amount: \$25 per day that WAV taxi owner-operator operates their WAV taxi.
- Since August 1, 2023, a WAV taxi owner-operator must demonstrate active participation by performing a **minimum of 40 (forty) Centralized WAV Taxi Dispatch trips per month through Curb** to be eligible for this subsidy incentive.

-IMPORTANT INFORMATION-

- ✓ Owner Managers DO NOT qualify for the WAV Taxi Owner-Operator Subsidy.
- ✓ If you own or are named in a corporation that owns more than one taxi medallion license you DO NOT qualify for this subsidy.
- ✓ If you lease your WAV taxi, you DO NOT qualify for this subsidy

For ALL WAV Taxi Subsidy Programs, the following qualifications remain:

- ✓ Applicant's license status must be in Good Standing with the City of Chicago
- ✓ Applicant must not have City of Chicago debt holds
- ✓ Applicant must demonstrate active participation in the City of Chicago Centralized WAV Taxi Dispatch Service program by performing the required minimum number of monthly trips requested by persons with disabilities through the City of Chicago Centralized WAV Taxi Dispatch Service contractor - Curb Mobility (gocurb.com/chicagowav)
 - **Qualifying WAV taxi trips must be completed through Curb.**
- Updated subsidy application forms are posted at Chicago.gov/PublicVehicles, on the "[Chicago Wheelchair Accessible Taxicabs](#)" webpage.
- Questions for [Curb](#) should be emailed to ChicagoWAV@gocurb.com.
- Questions or comments for BACP should be emailed to BACPPV@cityofchicago.org.

The City of Chicago's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) ensures Chicago's public passenger vehicles are safe, reliable and provide residents and visitors positive transportation options. BACP is committed to providing accessibility for all individuals, including people with disabilities.

Public Vehicle Division Operations:

- Schedule an appointment for service at the BACP Public Vehicle Licensing Facility at Chicago.gov/PublicVehicles
- Resolve an Administrative Notice of Violation (citation) remotely by emailing the ANOV number to BACP-AdministrativeHearings@CityofChicago.org
- Rules governing City of Chicago public vehicles and public chauffeurs are available at Chicago.gov/PublicVehicles