



Friendly Rides Project

Overview: Friendly Rides Project connects individuals without personal transportation with community members willing to help. By facilitating these connections, Caritas enables people to attend medical appointments reliably and with dignity. This initiative helps remove transportation barriers, ensuring that those in need can access essential medical care.

Service Details:

- **Eligibility:** The service is available to individuals facing challenging circumstances who do not drive or have access to a car.
- **Trips Provided:** Each eligible person can book up to two trips per month. This includes:
 - One trip to a medical appointment.
 - One return trip home from the appointment.
- **Booking Process:**
 - Trips must be booked and confirmed with a Project Coordinator.
 - Bookings can be made anytime between 30 days and 3 days prior to the appointment.
 - Service availability is contingent upon the availability of volunteer drivers.

Volunteer Drivers:

- All volunteer drivers are vetted and approved.
- Each volunteer holds a valid driving license and appropriate insurance.
- Volunteers offer their time and service in the spirit of helping the community, akin to a favour from a friend or neighbour.

Cost:

- The service is provided entirely free of charge. No money is exchanged between users and volunteers.

Understanding the Service:

- Users of the service acknowledge that it functions as a goodwill gesture from the community. It is a supportive, volunteer-driven effort to help those in need, ensuring they can attend critical medical appointments without the stress of transportation challenges.

Friendly Rides Project represents the spirit of community care, fostering support and kindness through the simple act of offering a ride.

**Disclaimer**

Cáritas Parroquial Hondón de las Nieves acts solely as a facilitator, connecting individuals in need with community members willing to offer assistance. While we strive to ensure that these connections are made in good faith, Cáritas does not assume responsibility for the quality, safety, reliability, or outcome of any assistance provided.

By participating in this initiative, individuals acknowledge that they do so at their own risk. Cáritas Parroquial Hondón de las Nieves, its volunteers, and affiliates are not liable for any accidents, injuries, delays, or other issues that may arise from the use of this service.

All participants are encouraged to exercise personal judgment and discretion when accepting or offering assistance through this initiative.