



## Specialized Transportation Program Expands Into Hamilton Township

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 (Hamilton Township)

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Community Care Northumberland (CCN) in partnership with Northumberland County is pleased to announce that the Specialized Transportation Program is expanding into Hamilton Township starting October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Through the Province's Community Transportation Pilot Grant Program, the Community and Social Services Department and CCN were approved for a \$100,000 grant over 2 years to enhance rural transportation capacity in the County.

CCN's Specialized Transportation program has a fleet of vehicles that can accommodate rural transportation needs and has options to transport individuals with physical and/or functional disabilities. Due to funding, this rural service has been limited for the residents of Hamilton Township, Town of Brighton and rural areas in the Municipality of Port Hope.

With this new transportation funding, CCN can expand its existing program into these currently underserved areas; launching the first expansion to Hamilton Township on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to run each Wednesday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

This expanded rural service will be open to families, youth, seniors or adults who need affordable transportation **within Northumberland County** to attend:

- appointments
- work
- school
- social and recreational activities
- shopping

There will be an established schedule of pick up/drop off sites (similar to a bus service). Potential riders must register as a client with CCN and provide 24 hours notice to book their seat (subject to seat availability). The cost to riders is \$5.00 one – way from Hamilton Township to Cobourg or Port Hope. If the rider wishes to travel to Cramahe Township, Alnwick/Haldimand or Trent Hills there is an additional connection of \$5.00 each way. Fees are confirmed at booking.

“Hamilton Township has committed to be part of this expanded service by financially supporting our program. With this support they are able to access Provincial Gas Tax funding allocated for Specialized Transportation,” said Trish Baird – Executive Director of CCN. “By planning our service expansion one municipality at a time it helps to ensure sustainability of the service after the 2 year pilot program funding ends. We look forward to working with the other municipalities over the next few months.”

To celebrate this first launch a ribbon cutting ceremony has been organized.

**Event Summary:**

**Name:** Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

**Date:** October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Location:** Hamilton Township Office, 8285 Majestic Hills Drive

**Time:** 11:00 am

For more service information about CCN’s Specialized Transportation program, please contact (866)768-7778.

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