

Dear TOPS! Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in TOPS! The Florida Commission for Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) program is one of the transportation programs provided by TOPS! The TD program is for individuals who are prohibited from using the Broward County Transit (BCT) fixed-route bus service due to financial limitations or require door-to-door service due to physical and/or mental disabilities.

The TD program provides two types of service:

- 1. **Bus Pass Program** A monthly BCT fixed-route bus pass is provided at no charge to qualifying individuals who are financially prohibited from using the fixed-route system.
- Door-to-Door Paratransit Transportation Shared-ride paratransit transportation is provided to qualifying individuals who are prohibited from using the BCT fixed-route bus system due financial, physical and/or mental restrictions. Door-to-door paratransit transportation will be provided to health care, employment, education, shopping, social activities, other lifesustaining activities or children who are handicapped, high-risk or at-risk.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Both services require the applicant to qualify under the current Federal Poverty Level guideline, depending on the number in the household, at the 100 percent level.

Complete the TD program application for either service. The completed TD application must contain all requested information, be legible and have all required identification and applicable financial supporting documents included when submitted. Door-to-door Paratransit applications must also have the medical information (Section 3) completed and signed by a Florida licensed physician.

| Return to: | Paratransit Eligibility Services  |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
|            | Broward County Transit            |
|            | 1 N. University Dr., Suite 3100-A |
|            | Plantation, FL 33324.             |
|            |                                   |

#### NOTICE OF COLLECTING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN) FOR GOVERNMENT PURPOSE

Broward County collects SSNs for different purposes. The Florida Public Records Law, Section 119.071(5), F.S. (2007) requires the County to give you this written statement explaining the purpose and authority for collecting your SSN.

| FORM           | PURPOSE   | AUTHORIZATION            |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|
| TD Application | Conduct eligibility verification and monitor for system abuse | County policy (See Note) |

**NOTE:** Broward County collects your SSN in the performance of a duty or responsibility the County must complete in accordance with law or business necessity. In the event a law does not specifically provide the County with the authority to collect your SSN, it is imperative that the County collect your SSN and this is expressly provided in section 119.081 (5) 2.b.

### Transportation Disadvantaged Application BUS PASS / PARATRANSIT SERVICE Broward County Transit

**INSTRUCTIONS:** 

Sections 1 and 2 must be completed to apply for either program. <u>Complete section 3 (Medical)</u> ONLY if you are applying for door-to-door paratransit transportation.

#### COPY OF CURRENT / VALID FLORIDA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR FLORIDA ID IS REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION

#### **SECTION 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)**

| Name of Applicant:   | Phone:  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Home Address:  |   |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |
| Mailing Address (if different):  |   |  |  |  |
| Is a vehicle registered in your name? YES  | NO Do you drive? YES NO   |  |  |  |
| Date of Birth:   | Social Security Number:   |  |  |  |
| Emergency Contact:   | Phone:  |  |  |  |
| Medicaid Number (if applicable):   | Medicaid Code(s):   |  |  |  |
| Number of relatives, including self, living in household:  | Total Annual Household Income (Must total lines 1<br>through 8 below):            |  |  |  |
| Indicate the amount of annual income receiv sources for <u>ALL</u> members of household (list  | ed by, or indicated on, each of the following household members on reverse side): |  |  |  |
| 1. Page #1 of individual tax return  | \$  |  |  |  |
| 2. DCF Benefit Letter  | \$  |  |  |  |
| 3. Unemployment Compensation Income Vo   | erification \$  |  |  |  |
| 4. Social Security Income Statement or Proof of Income Letter (SSI / SSDI) - \$  |   |  |  |  |
| 5. Retirement/Pension Statement (includes VA) \$   |   |  |  |  |
| 6. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) - Food Stamps \$   |   |  |  |  |
| 7. Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) \$   |   |  |  |  |
| 8. Investment Income   | · · · · · · · · · · · \$  |  |  |  |
| If \$0 income – You must submit signed letter, on agency letterhead, from a social service agency or similar organization, verifying there is no income.                                   |   |  |  |  |
| <u>COPY OF OFFICAL APPLICABLE DOCUMENT(S) FOR EACH ITEM(S) COMPLETED ABOVE,</u><br><u>#1 THROUGH #8, MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION OR APPLICATION</u><br><u>WILL NOT BE PROCESSED</u> |   |  |  |  |
| WILL NOT   | <u>BE FROCESSED</u> (over)  |  |  |  |

## SECTION 2 – HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS (PLEASE PRINT)

| Date of Birth:          |
|-------------------------|
| Social Security Number: |
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 I attest that all information included on this application is correct and that any changes will be reported to Broward County Transit Paratransit Services immediately.

 Signature of Applicant
 Date

 Signature of Preparer (if other than applicant)
 Date

 Print Name (Preparer)
 Relationship

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 APPLICANT NAME:
 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 SECTION 3 – MEDICAL (TO BE COMPLETED BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDER) (PLEASE PRINT)

 Does applicant have Medicaid?
 <u>N</u>
 If Yes, Medicaid # \_\_\_\_\_\_ Program Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_

| Mobility Aides  | Other     | Treatments                          |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| Crutches Walker | Oxygen    | Chemo Radiation<br>Dialysis         |
| Scooter Cane    | Hearing   |                                     |
| PWR W/C AMBI    | Visual    | Day(s):<br>Times:                   |
| Leg Brace W/C   | Acuity    | Facility Name:<br>Facility Address: |
| Back Brace None | Cognitive |                                     |
|                 |           |                                     |

Reason(s)/Condition(s) that prevent applicant from using fixed-route bus service:

| Diagnostic Code(s)                           | Diagnosis           |
|--|---------------------|
| Explanation why this condition prohibits use | of fixed-route bus: |

I, the undersigned, certify the medical information provided on this TD application is true and correct. I understand that providing false or misleading information constitutes fraud and is considered a felony under the laws of the State of Florida.

Doctor's Name (Print)

FL Medical License Number

Telephone Number

Doctor's Signature

INTERNAL USE ONLY - DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

| PIN#:<br>Expires: | Round Trip Service | Miles to Ctr     | Feet to Ctr                   |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Processed by:     | Return Trip Only   | # of Closer Ctrs | Feet to BCT                   |
| Approved          |                    |                  | Total Distance                |
| Not Approved      |                    |                  | Total # of BCT Buses Required |
| Incomplete        |                    |                  |                               |
|                   |                    |                  |                               |