

# McHenry Coordinated Demand Response Service

## Meeting Summary February 19, 2008 3:00pm

**Attendance:** Larry Deeter, TranSystems  
Dan Haligas, Pioneer Center  
Jason Clark, Pioneer Center  
Chris Rose, Pace  
Lorraine Snorden, Pace  
John Labaj, McHenry County  
Jason Osborn, McHenry County

Doug Maxeiner, City of McHenry  
Jeff Kurth, Pioneer Center  
Roscoe Stelford, City of Woodstock  
Frank Devita, Township of McHenry  
Donna Schaefer, Township of McHenry  
Tom Groeninger, Pace

**Meeting Purpose:** Establish expectations of interested parties  
Identify next steps toward implementation

### I. Expectations

Tom Groeninger started the meeting by asking the level of commitment from the interested parties. It was stated that commitment cannot be made until costs are provided. Tom then asked about expectations.

- Dorr Township: Would like to purchase trips to meet unmet transit needs.
- Pioneer Center: Have Day, PADS, and Senior services become part of the coordinated system. Pioneer Center provided schedules to Tom. Pioneer Center stated that while they would like to be part of the coordinated system, they understand their service is significantly different from other interested municipalities. They do not wish to complicate matters and are willing to wait if needed.
- McHenry Township: Desires increase accessibility and hours of service.
- City of Woodstock: Desire the ability for general public to be able to make trips outside of existing service boundaries.
- City of McHenry: Desire the ability for general public to be able to make trips outside of existing service boundaries.

### II. Cost Development

Pace agreed to estimate the costs for the for an August 2008 implementation. Pace will assume trip length will increase by 15%-25% to determine the amount of additional cost. Issues include:

- Distance based fares. Pace prefers Trapeze be in place to charge distance based fares.
- McHenry Township ridership will be used as a guide for estimating Dorr Township ridership.
- Woodstock and McHenry expressed their expectations to coordinate general public rides between their communities. Senior's only between these communities could be an option but they felt it might be hard to tell others the service is limited.
- It was explained how Senior Services Grant funds can offset the additional cost of coordinated service.
- Pace will determine the cost to computerize dispatching (Trapeze).

Pace will have operational costs to share with the group by February 29<sup>th</sup>. Larry, what about other Phase 1 or Phase 2 costs and options???

### III. Other Items

- The County asked Pace to identify where the bottlenecks are located in an August 2008 implementation schedule. The county may be able to assist with overcoming anticipated bottlenecks.
- Pace stated that a Phase I implementation can be done in August 2008. It may have additional costs associated with it for manual record keeping.