

Getting Started as a 60+ Ride Volunteer Driver

Overview of 60+ Ride

60+ Ride is a nonprofit providing free personalized transportation to older adults (60+) in Weld County. The goal is to help older adults maintain dignity, independence, and community connection. Volunteers are essential — they use their own vehicles to drive seniors to medical appointments, grocery stores, social outings, and more.

What Volunteer Drivers Do

Volunteers typically:

- Use their personal vehicles to drive clients to and from appointments.
- Choose rides that fit their schedules through the Ride Scheduler system.
- Communicate directly with clients to confirm rides.
- Provide friendly, safe, and respectful assistance before, during, and after rides.

Some volunteers also help with special events, office support, or outreach programs.

What's Expected from Drivers

To volunteer, drivers must:

- Be 18 or older, hold a valid driver's license, have a clean record, and current auto insurance.
- Pass a background check.
- Be comfortable working with older adults.
- Communicate clearly with the 60+ Ride office and clients.
- Follow ride and safety procedures.

Volunteers receive clear instructions on preparing for rides, handling cancellations, and responding to emergencies.

How Scheduling Works

Through the Ride Scheduler website:

- Volunteers can view open rides and choose which to accept.
- Receive automatic email confirmations.

This flexibility makes volunteering easy to fit into any schedule.

Reimbursement and Recognition

While unpaid, volunteers can claim mileage reimbursement at \$0.50 per mile, issued quarterly. Different limits apply for in-town versus rural trips. Reimbursement is optional — many volunteers donate it back to support 60+ Ride's mission.

Safety and Weather Policies

Volunteers can always cancel rides if road or weather conditions are unsafe. The 60+ Ride office may also delay or cancel rides during severe weather. Drivers are never expected to operate in unsafe conditions.

Support and Resources

Volunteers receive support from 60+ Ride staff and access to key documents:

- Mileage reimbursement policy
- Secondary insurance coverage
- Client and participant agreements/liability waiver

Main contact: 60+ Ride Office – 970-352-9348 | staff@60plusride.org

Why Become a Volunteer Driver

Becoming a 60+ Ride volunteer is about more than transportation — it's about connection, compassion, and community. Drivers make a direct impact by helping seniors stay active and independent.

It's a great fit if you:

- Enjoy meeting people and helping others.
- Have a reliable vehicle and a bit of free time.
- Want a flexible volunteer opportunity.
- Value safety, empathy, and community service.