



## \*\*\*INFORMATION\*\*\*

# RTA “SENIORS RIDE FOR FREE” PROGRAM

The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) is reminding seniors who have not changed their senior reduced fare cards to the Senior Ride Free Smart Card Permit, and are eligible, to do so if they want to continue enjoying free rides. After April 1, 2009, seniors who use their reduced fare cards on Metra, CTA rail and bus and Pace bus will be charged the standard reduced rate.

The RTA sent notifications to seniors who reside in the RTA’s six-county service region: Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will counties, and who hold a Senior Reduced Fare Permit, advising that the RTA is transitioning card holders to the new Senior Ride Free Smart Card Permit. All seniors must use the new smart card beginning April 2 to continue receiving free rides. After April 1, Senior Reduced Fare Permit users will be charged the reduced fare.

Smart cards are easier to use. They are simple touch and go cards and do not have to be inserted into the fare collection box. They’re also thicker like a credit card and cannot be easily damaged.

The current Senior Reduced Fare Permit can still be used on all CTA, Pace and Metra lines. It will serve seniors who do not live within the six-county region and are required to pay the reduced fare.

### **If I have a Senior Reduced Fare Permit**

If you currently have a Senior Reduced Fare Permit, you should have received a notice from the RTA to replace it with a Senior Ride Free Smart Card Permit. Please fill out the form and return it to the RTA. If you have not received a notice to replace your permit, call customer service at 312-913-3110. Because you are transitioning to a Senior Ride Free Smart Card Permit, you will not be required to take another photograph as one is already on file from your Senior Reduced Fare Permit.

# NEW APPLICANTS???

## RTA “SENIORS RIDE FOR FREE” PROGRAM REGISTRATION CENTERS CLOSEST TO HARWOOD HEIGHTS

### **NORRIDGE**

NORWOOD PARK TOWNSHIP  
7833 W. LAWRENCE AVE. 708 453-0861  
NORRIDGE 60706

LABE FEDERAL BANK  
7040 WEST FOREST PRESERVE DRIVE 708-457-0508  
NORRIDGE

### **ELMWOOD PARK**

VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK  
11 CONTI PARKWAY (708) 452-7300  
ELMWOOD PARK 60707

### **MAYWOOD**

VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD  
40 EAST MADISON (708) 450-6360  
MAYWOOD 60153

### **CHICAGO LOCATION**

COPERNICUS CENTER  
CHICAGO DEPT. ON AGING  
3160 NORTH MILWAUKEE (312)-744-6681  
(CHICAGO PROVIDES PHOTO)

**To Register for the RTA “SENIORS RIDE FREE PROGRAM” Click [HERE](#) for The NEW OCTOBER 21, 2009 REGISTRATION CENTERS in Chicago (by zip code) and Suburbs (by name) or call 836-7000 from any local area code and give the operator your zip code to find the closest location.**