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## **DART to donate three vans to nonprofits** Applications due November 30

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) will donate three retired 15-passenger RideShare vans to nonprofit organizations, community groups or government agencies within DART's service area this fall. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on November 30, 2016. The annual van donation program began in 2014 to assist organizations and certain government agencies in providing transportation services to individuals who may not have access to public transportation.

"DART recognizes that there are unmet transit needs in our community. We hope that granting retired RideShare vanpool vehicles will help the mission of community-driven organizations by providing better transportation to the clients they support," explains Steve Van Oort, DART Commission Chair.

The application, rules and requirements, and selection criteria for the program are available at <http://www.ridedart.com/services/rideshare/resources> under "Applications." The Commission will consider the van donation recipients at its regularly scheduled January meeting.

*The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority is the public transportation provider that serves Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services that makes getting around the Greater Des Moines area easier and more convenient. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit the website at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com) or call 515-283-8100. The MyDART Tools, Trip Planner and RideTime Transit app are now available at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com).*

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